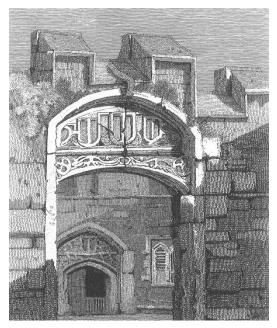
History

Find out about The College's past...



The entrance to The College as Emily and Lucy would have seen it — see the fancy stonework, that has now been reused on another house in the village.

Thomasine (say *Tom-ah-seen*) grew up in the village of Week St Mary. Children of poorer families had to work to earn money for the family, so she became a **shepherdess** and didn't get much of an education herself.

But Thomasine must have been very pretty. A rich London merchant called Robert Bunsby saw her in the fields and asked her parents if he could take her back to London to work in his household - they agreed. After his wife died, he married Thomasine. When Mr Bunsby died, he left Thomasine a very wealthy woman. She married again to Sir John Percival, who became Lord Mayor of London in 1457. With each husband, Thomasine became even richer and when Sir John died she moved back to Week St Mary and used her money to build the grammar school so that girls like Lucy and I could get an education!

Hello! Welcome to The College. My name is Sarah and I came to school here back in 1510 – that's over 500 years ago! My dad owns a small farm in Whitstone, 3 and half miles away and myself and my little sister Lucy were sent to The College to study. We used to hitch a ride on the back of Farmer Jones' cart – the journey was very bumpy and I often felt sick by the time we arrived!

Hardly any girls like us went to school; it was only possible for us thanks to a lady called Thomasine Bonaventure who set up the school in 1506.

Fact:

A **shepherdess** was a female shepherd. Shepherds herd, tend and guard a flock of sheep.

Have you heard the nursery rhyme of Little Bo Peep? She can't have been a good shepherdess as she lost her sheep!



The meeting of Thomasine and Robert Bunsby.



I loved coming to school to learn, but it was very tiring. We had to be at the school at 6am every day except Sunday (we weren't allowed a lie in on Sunday either because we had to get up to go to church!) and we were there until 5pm in the evening. I hear modern day schools don't start until 9am and then finish at 3pm — you lucky children!



The abacus at The College

We learnt in different ways from children in your time. There were no calculators or computers to help us with our sums or finding things outs. To learn maths we used an **abacus** (say ab-ah-cuss) — a wooden frame with rows of thin rods which you slide different coloured beads across. One row for units, the next for tens — why not have a go at doing some sums on the one here. Have you ever used an abacus?

My favourite lesson at school was music. We learnt how to read music and play a few different instruments; the recorder, the **lute** (say *loot*) and the older children learnt the **harpsichord** (say *harp-see-cord*).

Do you play any instruments?

Fact:

A **lute** is a stringed instrument. It looks a little like a small guitar, but with a much shorter and often crooked neck.

The **harpsichord** was the Tudor version of a keyboard. There are strings inside the body which are plucked when the keys are pressed down.





Lucy and I both hated learning Latin (a language originally spoken by the Romans and still used for documents in my day). We used to forget the different words and Lucy was once whipped with a cane made from birch wood for getting into a muddle — ouch, poor Lucy! I'll bet your teachers are a lot more kind!

We didn't have books to read from, but there were wooden boards with the alphabet or prayers attached to them by a thin layer of see-through cow horn to protect them. These boards were called hornbooks.





Hornbooks with their papers attached. The one on the right has the paper held into place by the transparent cows horn.

Unruly Rulers

Who were the medieval (say 'med-ee-evil') kings?

Medieval means in the Middle Ages. This is roughly from when William the Conqueror and the Normans invaded England in 1066 until Henry VIII (that's the 8th) became king in 1509.



1066

1100

William the Conqueror

He wasn't even English he came from France.



King William II Rufus He was killed hunting.

People say that Henry I ordered it!

1087

King Henry I

He stole the throne from his older brother who was away on Crusade.



1135



Another king who stole the throne, it was meant to be his cousin Matilda's!

1154



Some of his knights heard that he was angry at Thomas Becket, the Archbishop of Canterbury. That was the end of poor Thomas, the knights killed him.



King Richard I The Lion Heart

A brave king, he was always fighting a war. 1189

King John

Bad King John, he was a cruel and horrible man. He died eating too many peaches!



1216

King Henry III

He was a good king who gave money to the poor and liked to pray.

1272

1199

King Edward I

He invaded and conquered both Wales and Scotland ruling both of them!



1307



King Edward II

Another bad King, he only listened to his best friend Piers Gaveston and died a nasty death in a dungeon

1327

King Edward III

He was a good king, even if he did start the 100 years' war.



1377



King Richard II

He tried to rule without parliament, so the barons helped the next Henry become king.

1399

King Henry IV

He stole the throne from Richard when he was fighting in Ireland. Hard luck Richie!

1413



He wanted to be King of England and France. You guessed it, he started a war!



1422



King Edward IV

He secretly married Elizabeth Woodville. Some say she was a witch!

1483



King Richard III

He was a bad king. People say he had his nephews murdered in the Tower of London so he could be king instead.

Ή.

1485

King Henry VI

He became king at 8 months old! He was weak an hated war. He never fought in any battles.

1461



He was 10 when he became king for 86 days. Then uncle Richard put him and his brother in a tower.

1483



King Henry VII

He defeated bad King Richard and became the first Tudor king. Hooray!



Meet King Henry VII

who ruled when The College was built.



Hi Henry!

So when did you become king?

I became King on 22nd August 1485.

What are you most famous for?

I ended the dynastic 'War of the Roses' at the Battle of Boswell and became the very first monarch of the House of Tudor.

What is your favourite thing to do?

I love playing tennis – I'm really very good at it you know!

What is the naughtiest thing you've ever done?

There's a rumour that I killed Edward IV's two sons, Edward and Richard, who had been lock in the Tower of London. People say I did it so that they couldn't take away my claim to the crown. Would I do such a thing?!

Design _____

What does The College look like?

Can you walk all the way around it?

Can you use any of these words to describe the building? Draw a circle around the ones that do.

Does The College look like other buildings in the area? What's different about it?

Castle Tall

Pretty Industrial

Stone Brick

Symmetrical Home

Square Elegant

Friendly Low

The College was built by Thomasine Bonaventure in 1506 – that's over 500 years ago! Thomasine returned to Week St. Mary where she was born, in 1504 where she spent the rest of her life, carrying out charity work in the neighbourhood. She set up the school for local children.

The College site is made up of a group of **medieval** (say *med-ee-eval*) buildings. That's why it has lots of features not normally seen on a Tudor home. Have you noticed the **crenelated** wall which runs alongside the road?



Fact:

Crenelated walls were often seen on castles as they provided battlements for soldiers to fire arrows from. Here, they are just added for decoration.





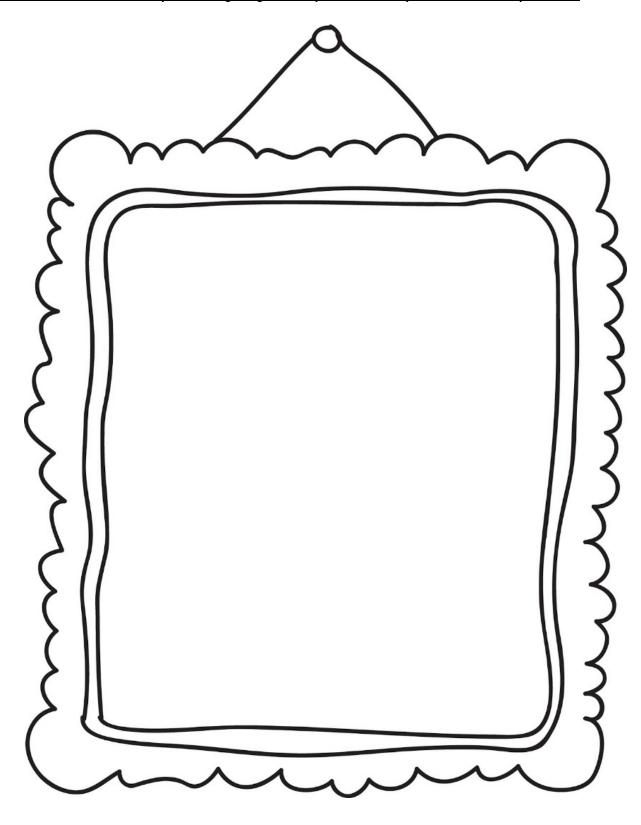
Take a look at the gothic arched window in the corner. The ceiling used to cut right across the top of this window! During the restoration, Landmark decided to put in a sloping ceiling to avoid this — now we can see the window as it would have been when Sarah and Lucy went to school here.



Buildings are quite easy to draw. They are usually made up of lots of geometric shapes, like squares, triangles and circles.

Have a go at drawing the front of The College.

Please tell an adult where you are going so they don't worry about where you are!





What is The College built from?

Fact:

Some buildings were built from stone that was dug out of the ground when farmers ploughed the fields, other buildings were made from stone that was quarried and cut into neat shapes and sizes. There are still many stone quarries around the country today, where people get stone out of the ground.

Stone buildings were once cheaper to build than brick ones. Once we could transport bricks up and down the country on the canals and railways, brick buildings become cheaper and more popular – but stone still looked smart!

Stone is the solid foundation of the earth. It exists as huge mountains, rocks, stones or small pebbles washed smooth by water. There are lots of different types of stone, with different colours and textures. Some are better to build with than others.



In medieval and Tudor times, stone was taken out of the ground by hand. The stone used to build The College was taken from the ground nearby. Today, a quarry is a place where stone is blasted out of the ground with explosives! The one in the picture shows what quarries look like now.



People who work with stone are called stonemasons. They build walls, carve the stone into shapes or add patterns to its surface. They use a mallet and special tools called chisels to shape the stone. The picture on the left shows a stonemason hard at work.





Sometimes stone masons carve beautiful designs into the stone. Look at the arched doorway which leads into The College and the fireplaces inside. These designs have been hand carved into the stone using chisels and mallets. Have a look at the examples of stone carving below and then have a go at designing your own in the box.

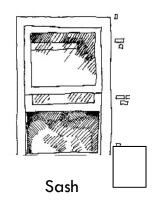


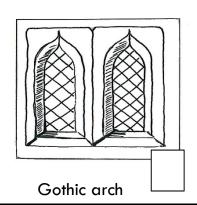


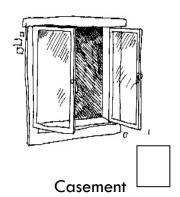


The size and shape of windows tells you a lot about the age and style of the building.

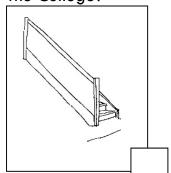
What type of windows does The College have?

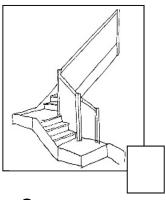






There are many different styles of staircases. Which style is closest to the staircase at The College?







Straight

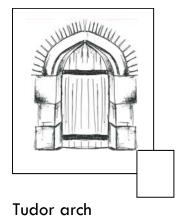
Quarter turn

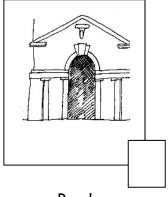
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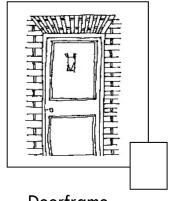
Fact:

Have you noticed that spiral staircases go clockwise when you're going up and anti-clockwise when you're going down? This is because most people are right handed so if there was an attacker with a sword coming up the stairs they had to show more of their body to fight. The swords man above had the wall on his left leaving more room to fight with his right arm.

Entrances can be grand or simple. Which front door is most like the one at The College?







Porch

Doorframe



Discover more about The College

The College was built in 1506. That's over 500 years ago! In that time, many things have changed both inside and outside the building. Follow this Quest to discover more about it.

Can you find this quatrefoil (say qwa-tra-foil) window?

Note down where you found it below. 'Quatrefoil' means it has four 'leaves'.

Look at the floor in the sitting room – what is it made from? What does it feel like? Is it smooth or rough?

The original floor of the schoolroom would have been made of the same material – these are modern **replicas** of what was here before.





Facts:

Quatrefoil (say 'kwatra-foil') is a design of four overlapping circles found on churches and other buildings from the Middle Ages. The word comes from the old French word meaning four leaves.

A **replica** (say rep-leeka) is a direct copy of another design or object.

Did you know that there are three types of rock? **Igneous** (say *ig-nee-us*) rocks, which are formed when lava cools and hardens. **Sedimentary** (say *sed-ee-ment-ary*) rocks, made up of particles of sand, shells and very small pebbles, and **metamorphic** (say *met-ah-mor-fik*) rocks which are formed underneath the earth's surface under intense heat and pressure.

Slate is a **metamorphic** rock. It's very strong and durable because of the way it is formed, which makes it ideal for flooring.

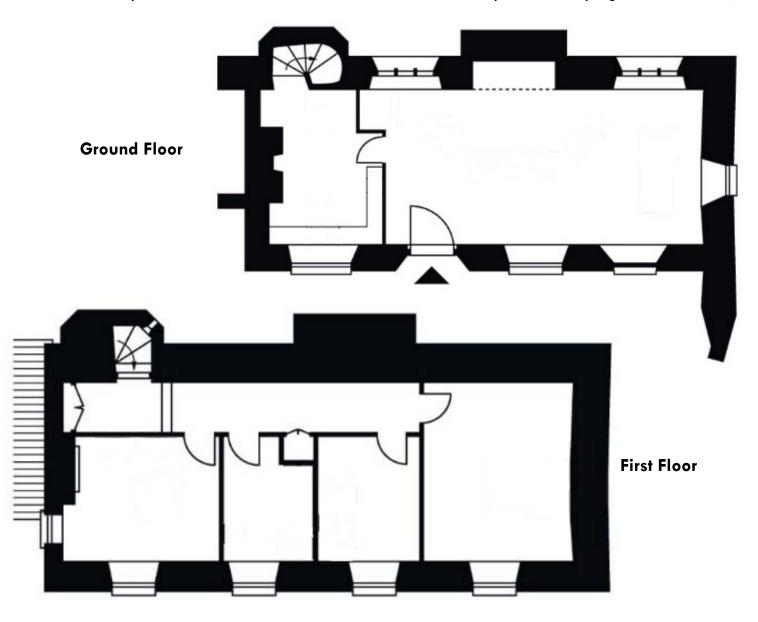
Can you think of anything else slate might be used for? It used to be used in a lot of schools before electronic whiteboards took over.



Living in The College

The floorplan of a building is a map of the rooms. The College has two floors. The plans below show you the top two floors and the shape of each room. Take a walk around and write on the plan what each room is used for. Mark the room you are sleeping in with a star.





We use these symbols to show where beds, tables and bathrooms are. Draw the symbols on to the floorplans to show where the furniture is.



Bed

Rectangular (or a round) table









Kitchen sink



Can you find an example of each of these things inside The College. Describe, or draw the object when you find it.

Your favourite chair Draw the pattern of a rug on the floor	The fireplace (is it an open fire or does it have a stove?)
	In the box below, draw the view from your bedroom window. What can you see in the distance? Are there any animals in the fields or any trees that look very old and interesting?



Can you answer these questions correctly?

You'll have to read the History section first..!

1. What is The College	made of?		
Bricks	Wood	Stone	Straw
2. What is the name of	the woman who set up	o the grammar schoo	l?
Thomasine	Bailey	Quinn	Harpe
3. Who was King of En (Psst check Unruly Rule		Sarah attended the sc	hool?
Edward IV	James Bond	Henry VIII	William II
4. What is a hornbook?	?		
A book about cows	An instrument	A dance	A wooden board with a thin sheet of horn or
5. Which of these instru	uments was not played	in Tudor times?	
Electric guitar	Lute	Harpsichord	Recorde
6. Slate is what type of	rock??		
Igneous	Metamorphic	Sedimentary	Magmo
7. What was the name	of Thomasine Bonaven	nture's first husband?	,
Sir John Percival	Peter Parker	Winston Churchill	Richard Bunsb
8. In the famous nurse	ry rhyme, which sherph	nerdess lost her sheep	 o?
Bo Peep	Во Воо	Bo Look	Bo Creep
9. Which of these name	es has a Kina of Enalan	nd not had?	
George	Nigel	James	Edward
10. In which county is	The College?		
West Sussex	Devon	Cornwall	East Susse

To find the answers skip two pages...



The College Word Search

Now have a go at the word search below. Think about different parts of the building and what might have been here in the past...

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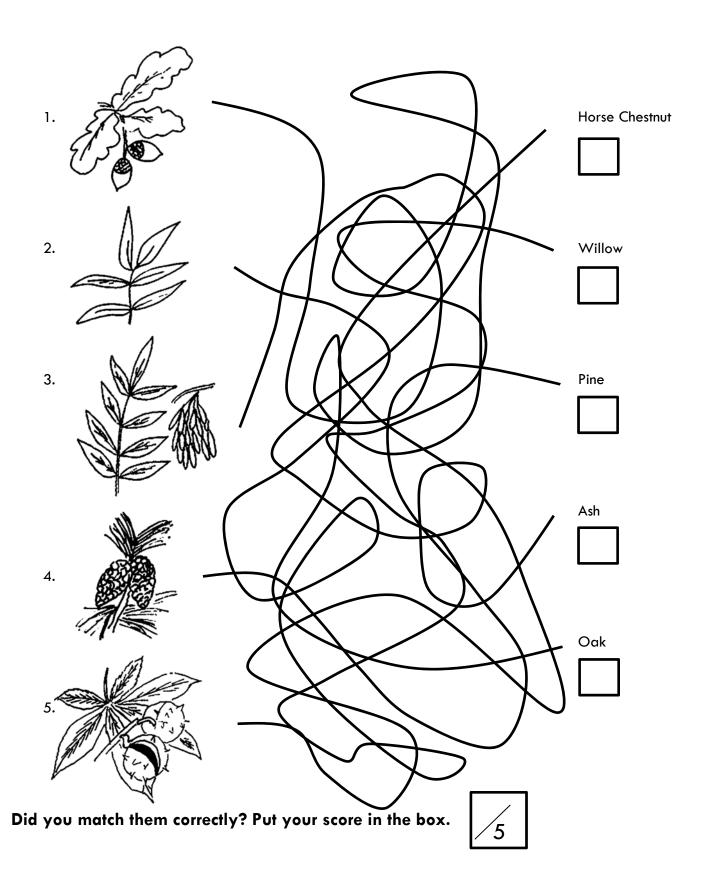
How many of these words did you find? Put your score in the box.





Which leaf belongs to which tree?

Match the leaf to the correct tree.





Answer sheet:

Quiz answers:

- 1. Stone
- 2. Thomasine
- 3. Henry VIII
- 4. A wooden board with paper attached
- 5. Electric guitar
- 6. Metamorphic
- 7. Richard Bunsby
- 8. Bo Peep
- 9. Nigel
- 10. Cornwall

How many did you get right?



Impress your grown ups by learning these Latin words and phrases...

<u>English</u>	<u>Latin</u>
Hello	Salve (say sal-vay)
Goodbye	Vale (say vah-lay)
How are you?	Quid agis? (say qweed-ah-geese)
My name is	Meum nomen est (say may-um no-men est)
The College	Collegium (say coll-ee-gee-um)
School	Scholae (say skol-ay)
Enjoy a happy holiday!	Fruate feria laeta! (say fruh-ah-tay feria ly-ta)



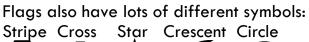
Design your own flag

Since ancient times flags have been used to identify groups of people, countries and armies. Flags are mainly used today to represent a country. Did you know that Cornwall has its own flag! It's called St. Piran's Flag and looks like the picture below. Look out for it during your holiday!

Each colour has its own meaning:

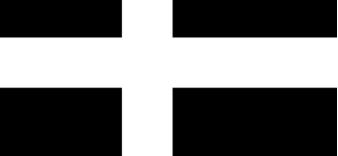
Yellow: means truth, loyalty and justice White: means bravery and strength Red: means peace and honesty

Blue: means generosity Green: means determination Black: means hope, joy and love

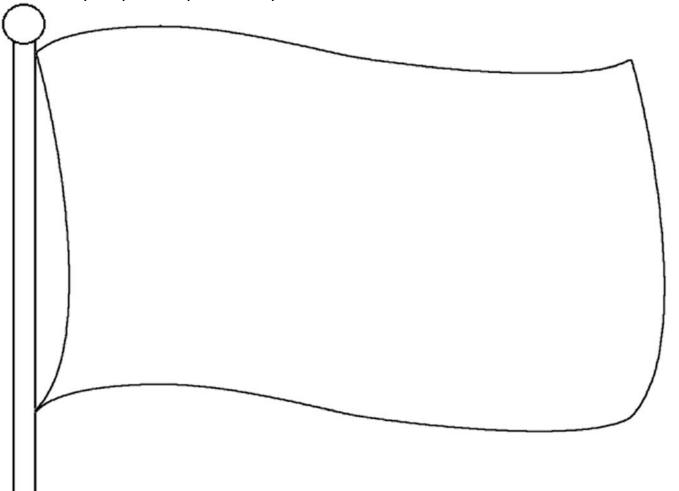








Have a go at designing your own flag that best describes you! It can be as colourful and have as many shapes and pictures as you like.





Bake some scones

If you haven't ever had a scone you are missing out! Devon and Cornwall are famous for their scones. They are plain cakes that you cut in half and spread clotted cream and jam on each side. This is called a cream tea. Mmmm I could eat scones all day!

Here's a simple recipe for you to try. You might need the help of an adult.

75g of butter 1 large egg

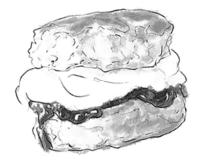
225g of self-raising flour 2 tbsp milk

Pinch of salt Clotted cream

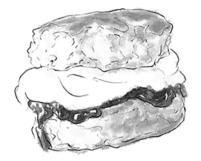
40g caster sugar Jam

Pre-heat the oven: fan 220 °C: 425 °F: Gas 7

- Grease a baking tray.
- Sift flour and salt into bowl. Rub butter into the mixture until it looks like breadcrumbs.
 Add the sugar.
- Beat the egg and buttermilk together in a separate bowl.
- Add the egg and milk mixture to the flour mixture. Mix it all together with a spoon and then with your hands. This is called dough (say 'doh').
- Put some flour on the work top and then put the ball of dough onto it.
- Roll the dough into a circle (about 2.5cm thick). Then cut out the scones (if you don't have a cutter use a glass, making sure it too gets flour on the rim).
- Put them onto the baking tray and brush them with milk. Bake on the top shelf for 10-12 minutes.
- Let them cool and then serve with lots of clotted cream and jam! Yum!









Write a story

Five hundred years ago, in the 16th century, stories were an easy way to pass on information, or to entertain people. As most people couldn't read, the stories were spoken out loud to an audience. Write a story imagining that you are a 16th-century child who attends The College. What were your favourite lessons? Perhaps you were whipped with the cane for misreading your Latin. Read your story out to your audience of friends and family once you've finished — just like they did!



Colour in these Tudor outfits.

