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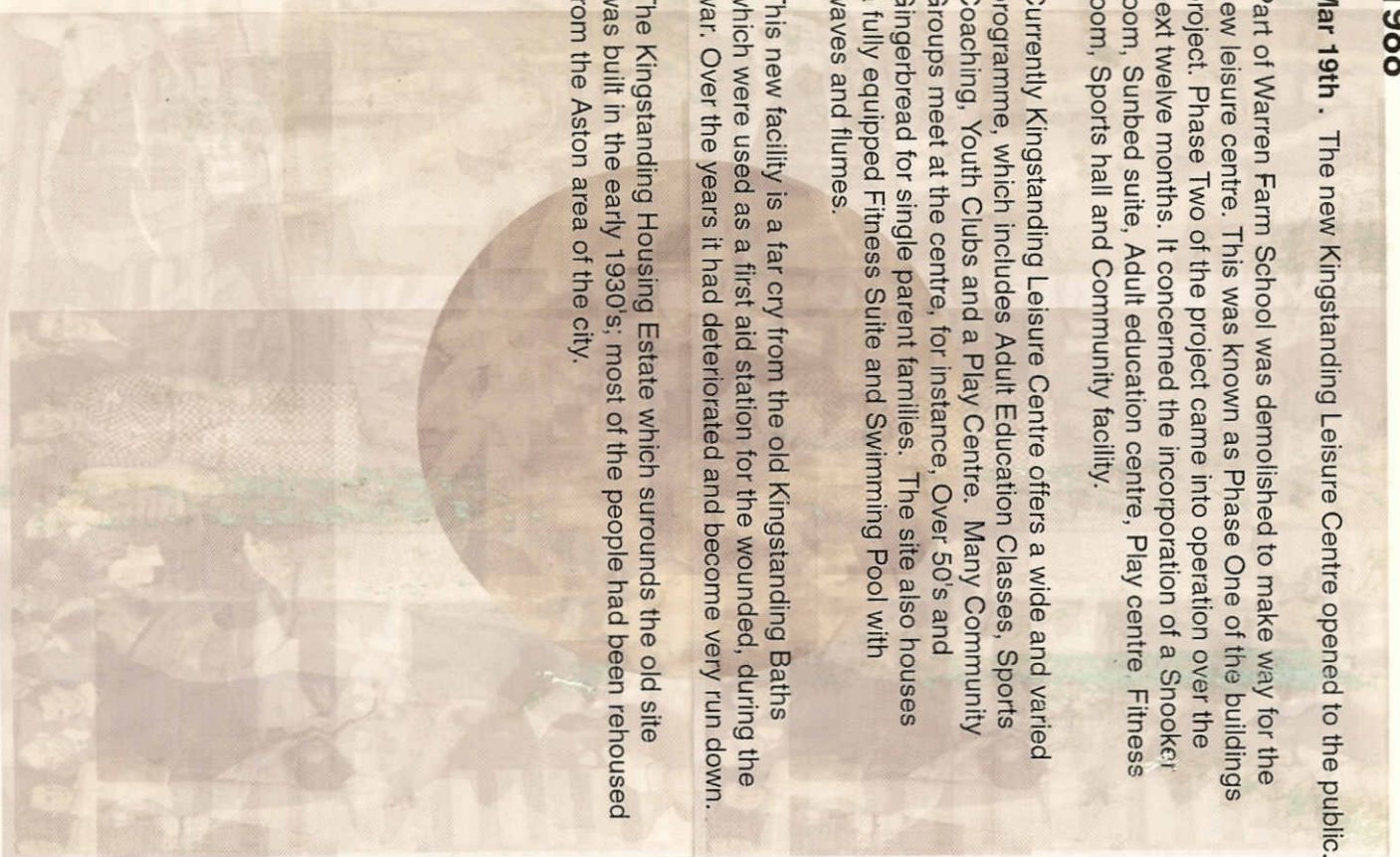
Mar 19th . The new Kingstanding Leisure Centre opened to the public.

Part of Warren Farm School was demolished to make way for the new leisure centre. This was known as Phase One of the buildings project. Phase Two of the project came into operation over the next twelve months. It concerned the incorporation of a Snooker room, Sunbed suite, Adult education centre, Play centre, Fitness room, Sports hall and Community facility.

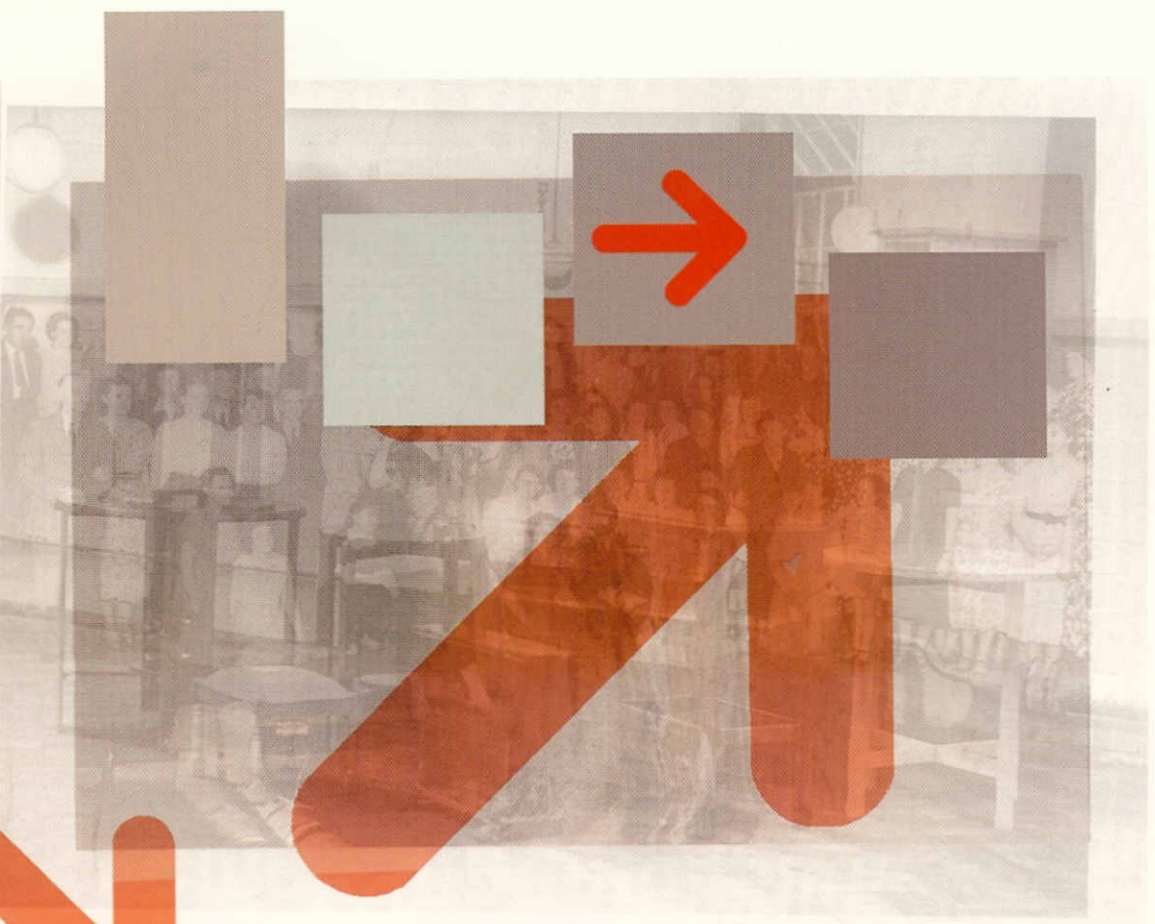
Currently Kingstanding Leisure Centre offers a wide and varied programme, which includes Adult Education Classes, Sports Coaching, Youth Clubs and a Play Centre. Many Community Groups meet at the centre, for instance, Over 50's and Gingerbread for single parent families. The site also houses a fully equipped Fitness Suite and Swimming Pool with waves and flumes.

This new facility is a far cry from the old Kingstanding Baths which were used as a first aid station for the wounded, during the war. Over the years it had deteriorated and become very run down.

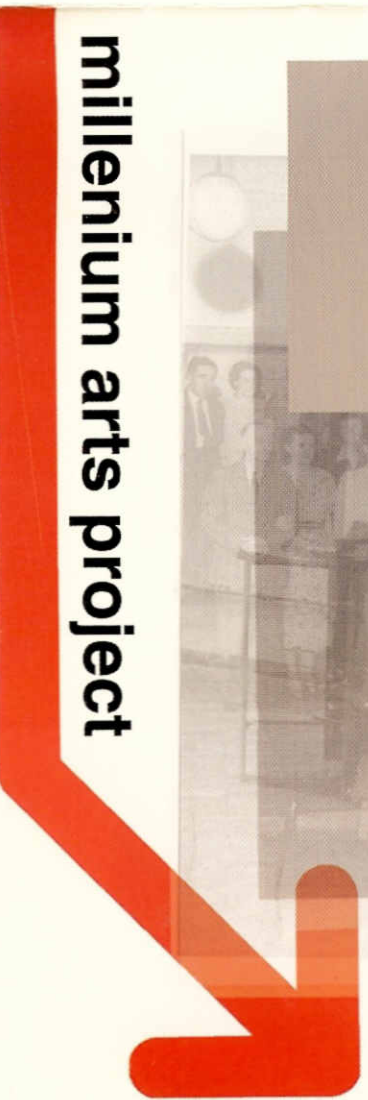
The Kingstanding Housing Estate which surrounds the old site was built in the early 1930's; most of the people had been rehoused from the Aston area of the city.



Kingstanding Leisure Centre



millenium arts project



Arts Project Details

1999

Funding for a millennium arts project was secured from The Millennium Commission and Birmingham City Council by Len Robinson. The project was devised and run by Birmingham based arts group, PALS ARTS & MEDIA.

Stimulus for the Project Work

The original paintings presented to the school in 1936. The documentation covering the history of Dulwich Road School, which later became Warren Farm School and is now The Kingstanding Leisure Centre.

To work with two community groups, the Duke of Edinburgh Adults group (also known as the Monday activity group) and the Tuesday Girls Club, exploring and experimenting with various art techniques.

To create images, to be incorporated in the exhibition, with the community groups that reflect them as they are now and their hopes and thoughts for the future.

2000

Alongside the historical content, this exhibition is directly inspired by the work of these two community groups.

this was our past .

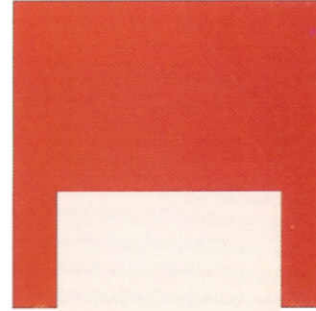
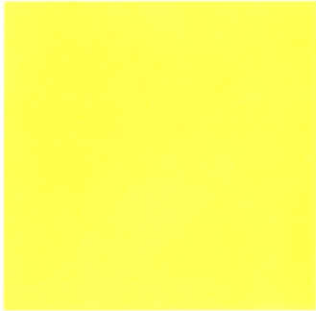
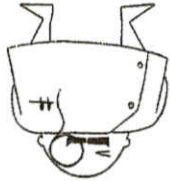
Dedicated to all of the people who came here, as a school or leisure centre and to all of those who worked at this site over the past century.

the future is yours .

Dedicated to all the young people who participated in this project and to the young people who will make this building and its experiences their future.



Dr Bombay



Arts Project Participants

Duke of Edinburgh Adults (monday activity group)

Lisa Whitmore
Daniella Wickett
Gareth Cornbill
Carl Ford
Simon Hughes
Sherif Abdalla
Paul Reilly
Colin Morgan
Simon Williams
Ian Hayden
Sandra Whitmore

Tuesday Girls Club (girls group)

Victoria Horrocks
Leeann McKeown
Lucy Horrocks
Jenna Clinton
Carly Walton
Jessica Lewis
Lisa Hollis
Lesley Meer
Samantha Morey
Kate Cope
Danielle Bourke
Chelsea Walton
Carly Tubb
Connie McKeown
Louise Gillons
Carly-Anne Mortieoys

Kingstanding Leisure Centre Staff

Len Robinson
Christine Poole
Jean Wachala
Brenda Walker
Joyce Parker
PALS ARTS & MEDIA
Rachael Cox

Exhibition Artists :

Nicki Sunn - photocollage
Bharat Patel - digital design

Documentation Design :

Rudeboy and Charming
[Dr Bombay Design]

1931

Teaching staff :
Mr F.G. Dolphin - Head Master
Miss Hobbs, Miss Sparrow, Mr Vickery,
Mr Burditt and Mr Saxton.

Jun 1st . The school opened as the
Twickenham Road Senior School.

Sep 13th . The school moved into huts on Dulwich Road.

1932

Boys staff :
Mr Dolphin, Mr Degville, Mr Harrington, Mr Saxton, Mr Kitchen, Mr Cox,
Mr Mansfield, Mr Burditt, Mr Smith and Mr Hay.
Girls staff :
Miss Wallace (head teacher), Miss Poole, Miss Forster, Miss Plucknett,
Miss Sparrow, Miss Hobbs, Miss Deacon, Miss Wishart, Miss Light,
Miss Brown, Miss Fergusson and Miss Palmer.
318 girls and 303 boys
School re-opened in permanant building.

Apr 5th . School camp at St. Ebbas Priory, Oxford.

Aug 22nd . School split into seperate boys and girls schools.

1933

348 girls and 433 boys

Jul 12th . Olive Cattell won the
gymnastic competition with 93.5
points.

Sep 25th . 30 girls at school
camp at Blackwell.

1934

H.M.I Mr C. E. Jackson visted
the school.

Apr 17th . School closed for a
vist to the Mayfair Cinema to
see the Prince of Wales' tour
around the World.

Nov 29th . School closed for
the wedding of HRH The Duke
of Kent.

1935

May 6th . School closed for the silver jubilee of HM King George 5th and Queen Mary.

Nov 8th . 297 girls had their teeth inspected; 162 needed treatment.

1936

Feb 28th . School closed for the funeral of King George 5th.

Apr 24th . Mural paintings were presented to the school.

1937

499 girls and 240 boys

May 21st . School closed for the coronation of King George 6th.

1938

609 girls and 548 boys

One class of boys was moved to Hawthorn Road School and two classes of girls were moved to St Lukes Church Hall.

1939

601 girls

Mar 2nd . School closed for the visit of the King and Queen.

Sep 30th . School closed for possible evacuation.

Oct 5th . School opened voluntarily.
Girls school staff made black-out curtains.

Nov 6th . School opened on alternate half days.

1940

641 girls and 592 boys

May 17th . Decision made confirming the need for more air raid shelters before full time schooling could begin.

Sep 30th . Start of compulsory attendance.

Dec . 16 reported air raid alerts in the last 3 months.
170 boys, 204 girls and 214 juniors evacuated to Kirkby, Ashfield.

1942

Miss Ward becomes head-teacher of girls school.

1943

Girls raise £2083 for Wings of Victory campaign.

1944

Girls raise £1695 for "Salute the Soldier" week.



1936 . Science class taught by Mr Waddup



1936 . Craft class in the Boy's School



1945

Oct 1st . 25 boys away for 10 days on potato picking duties.

1946

Girls won the Ansell Shield in the North Birmingham Gala.

1947

Jul 2nd . Girls won the North Birmingham School's Sports.

Oct 10th . Girls won every event at the North Birmingham Gala.

1948

Apr 26th . School closed for Silver Wedding of the King and Queen.

Jul 7 & 12th . Girls won North Birmingham and the all Birmingham sports.

Oct 8th . Girls won the North Birmingham Gala.

Nov 5th . Girls won the Mrs Henry Butler Shield.

1950

Jun 27th . Girls won the Aston School Sports.

Sep 11th . Pre-nursing course began.

1952

Girls won the Aston Sports for the 7th consecutive year.

1953

May 23rd . School closed for Coronation celebrations.

Oct 28th . 20 boys visited Swinfen Farm for the first time.

1959

Jul . Mr Dolphin retired.

Sep 8th . Mrs Probert joined the staff and Mr Eynon became Headmaster.

1949 . Girls netball team



1949 . Girls School
Class photograph

1963 . Dulwich Road
Girls School Dinner Ladies



1961

Sep 5th . Some boys stayed on for a fifth year for the first time.

1963

60 boys transferred from Hastings Road School, which had closed.

1964

Boys won the "Villa Cup".

1968

Mr Eynon left the school.

Nov 11th . Mr A.A. Simkins became Headmaster of the boys school.

1969

Apr 15th . Mr Share and Mr A.C. Jones joined the staff.

Jun 2nd . Mr Naylor joined the staff.

Sep 3rd . Mr Morgan joined the staff.

1970

Mrs Clarke joined the staff.

Oct 22nd . The school magazine published for the first time.

1971

Sep 2nd . Mr Fitzpatrick joined the staff.

1972

Mr Bourne retired.

Sep 5th . Mr Naylor became deputy head. Mrs Greenway, Mr Kensit and Mr Lowry joined the staff.



1963 . Mr Williams "A" team



1964 . Villa Cup winners



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1973

Jul 20th . Miss Green retired as girls school Headmistress. Mr A.A. Simkins became Headmaster of the newly formed Warren Farm Comprehensive School.

Sep 6th . Mr Donovan, Mr Scott and Mrs Todd joined the staff.

Oct 1st . Mr Russon joined the staff.

Nov 5th . Mrs Coombs and Mrs Boyle joined the staff.

1974

Mr Thomas and Mr Fell joined the staff.

Jul 1st . Mrs Osbourne joined the staff.

Sep 5th . Mr Bell and Mrs Degg joined the staff.

Nov 27th . The lord Mayor came to school to present Kenny Bowen with a Royal Humane Society award for life saving.

1975

Jan 7th . The death of Miss Joy Jones was reported to the school.

Mar 3rd . First performance of The Wizard of Oz.

Sep 3rd . Mrs Sargent, Mr Hooper, Mr Spratley, Mrs McDonald joined the staff.

Nov 15th . Awards evening, Mr Rooker MP was principal guest.

Oct 24th . Mini bus sold for £50.

1976

Mr T Jones joined the staff.

May 6th . Mrs Barbara Hunt died after a long illness.

Sep 2nd . Mrs Bainbridge and Mrs McLocklin joined the staff.

Nov 15th . Awards evening, Councillor Neil Scrimshaw was principal guest.

Dec 17th . Ninety four food parcels distributed to local senior citizens.

1977

Jan 20th . Senior school informed of death of Headmaster, Mr A.A. Simkins.

Apr 19th . Mr A.M. Wickstead appointed Headmaster.

Apr 27th . Primary school badminton team won Championship shield for the fourth successive year.

Jun 2nd . Jubilee party held in Primary school playground.

Nov 24th . New senior school library was dedicated to the memory of Mr A.A. Simkins.

Nov 29th . Senior school held its third Annual Awards evening. Principal guest Mr Maurice Buck, Deputy Chief Constable.

1978

Feb 2nd . Mr Harry Williams, physics teacher, died during a lesson.

Feb 20th . Schooling disrupted by oil tanker drivers work to rule.

Jun 28th . First performance of Joseph in the senior school.

Nov 20th . Senior school Awards evening. Guest of honour, Mr David Stevens from BBC midlands.

Dec 13th . Presentation to Mrs Snoxell who retired after 21 years as Deputy Headmistress.

Dec 20th . 100 food parcels distributed to local senior citizens.

1979

Jan 15th . New chemistry lab opened in the senior school.

Mar 18th . Mr J Croghan became Deputy Head of the primary school.

Apr 6th . Mrs Snell became Deputy Head of the senior school.

Jun 18th . Primary school closed for Mrs E.A.M. Georges retirement party. The party was held in the Junior Hall and attended by a 100 colleagues.

Jun 20th . Mrs George retired after 20 years as Head of the primary school.

Sep 4th . Mrs Perkins became Head of the primary school.

1980

Jan 7th . Mr Carr and Mr Webster joined the senior school staff.

Jan 18th . New mini-bus delivered to the senior school.

Mar 28th . First meeting of the new senior school governors. Councillor Hugh McCallion in the chair.

May 9th . Thursday club opened in the junior school for the first time.

Nov 24th . Senior school Awards evening. Guest of honour was Chief Education Officer, Mr John Crawford.

Dec 1st . Miss Reynolds joined the senior school staff.

Dec 18th . Farewell ceremony for Mr H. Porter on his retirement from the senior school after 34 years.

1981

Jan 9th . Mr Herszenhorn joined the senior school staff.

1986

The school was closed down permanently.



1970 . Over 14's football team



1970 . Under 14's football team



1974 . Kenny Bowen receives a Royal Humane Society Award for Life Saving

