

Thomas Elson-Knight (2002-11) BBC Masterchef Finalist



The Mount Kelly community of pupils, parents, staff and OMKs have thoroughly enjoyed watching former pupil Thomas Elson-Knight compete in the BBC *Masterchef UK* series. A stone-sawyer by trade, Thomas' culinary skills impressed the judges throughout, securing him a place in the Finals week, and ranked amongst the Top Five chefs in the series. He was eventually eliminated, but having made it so far is a significant achievement, and we congratulate him on his success.

Emma Davidson (2007-13) Channel 4 Hunted Contestant



Emma Davidson is another OMK to make it onto national television this year, when she competed in this year's series of *Hunted*, on Channel 4. *Hunted* is a reality television programme where contestants, known as "fugitives", attempt to evade capture by a group of former police and intelligence officers, called the "hunters" for 25 days. Emma, a neo-natal nurse, and her partner Jess, were put through their paces and managed to evade the hunters but were eventually captured after 10 days 'on the run'.

OMK Magazine 2018

The 2018 OMK Magazine has just been published online and is available to download from here. We hope you enjoy reading OMK news from 2018, as well as news that covers the academic year 2017-2018. Please note we no longer send hard copies of the magazine unless specifically requested, but copies are available for free at all our events.

[Download the Magazine](#)



OMK Day & Dinner - Saturday 11 May 2019 Guest Speaker: Phil de Glanville

OMK and former England rugby captain, Phil De Glanville (Mount House 1978-81), is our guest speaker for the OMK Dinner in May. Phil won 38 England caps in his seven years in the England squad, including both World Cups in 1995 and 1999. The day's events start at 2pm and include: OMK cricket match; free swimming in the 50m pool; guided tours and afternoon tea. The evening's events start at 7pm with Evensong, followed by Drinks and Dinner. Download a [Booking Form](#) or click below to sign up online.

[Further Details & Booking Form](#)



OMK Golf Saturday 11 May

Keen golfers are welcome to join those already signed up for this annual Competition at the Tavistock Golf Club. The competition is in Three Ball groups, with prize giving held at the OMK Dinner in the evening. The cost is £25 for visitors and £7.50 for Tavistock Golf Club members, to include golf, tea/coffee and a pre-round snack. Please register no later than Friday 3 May: alumni@mountkelly.com

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OMK Cricket Saturday 11 May

A highlight of OMK Day is the cricket which is played on the central field at the College in which our 1st XI team compete against an OMK team. If you are interested in playing for the OMK cricket team please email team co-ordinator, Clive Insole (1989-90) cliveinsole@outlook.com. The match starts at 2pm; players will meet at 1.30 for a warm-up.

[Join the Team](#)



London Drinks Wednesday 19 June

A great opportunity for London-based OMKs to meet up with old friends and our new Head Master, Guy Ayling, who takes up the post in April. We remain grateful to OMK David Lonsdale (1975-81) for once again hosting our London gathering in his beautiful, award-winning pub: The Sekforde Arms, 34 Sekforde St, Clerkenwell, EC1R 0HA. Whilst it is an informal event, we do request that you let us know you are coming to help us plan accordingly.

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Farewell to the Semmences



Pupils, Staff and Governors at Mount Kelly bid farewell to Head Master, Mark Semmence, his wife Alison, and daughters India and Flora. Mr Semmence has enjoyed a busy and highly successful five years at Mount Kelly with a long list of achievements to his name, including: the merger and restructure of the two schools; boarding house refurbishments; the refurbishment of the all-weather pitch and development of the new pitch; the cricket pavilion and nets; the library refurbishments; the building of the Olympic Legacy 50m pool and the Old Mount Kelleian Bridge; the international expansion programme

and the Tavistock College Partnership. We wish Mark and the family all the very best at Repton School in Derbyshire.



2019 Spring Events

It has been a busy season in the OMK calendar. February began with a Men's Hockey match which this year was played indoors on account of heavy frost on the pitches - a new experience for many! This was followed a week later by an excellent Ladies' Netball match in which our OMK team narrowly lost by 22-27. Later that month, many Bristol-based OMKs and former staff enjoyed drinks in Clifton Village (pictured above), and in March, the Head Master hosted our third annual gathering in Dubai.

[Photos on Facebook](#)



Joyce Lee Dedication

On 20 March, the Prep was delighted to welcome back many former Mount House staff, pupils and parents, for the occasion of dedicating a beautiful tree bench in memory of Miss Joyce 'M'Lai' Lee, who taught at Mount House from 1947 until 1992. Charles Price, former Head Master (1984-2002), spoke affectionately of Joyce and her kindness towards generations of pupils; Lady Fulton kindly cut the ribbon; and Niel O'Neill (1961-67) made a toast in her memory.

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Jenny Killingbeck (1973-1974)

Jenny, who professionally works under her maiden name of Coverack, is the Narrator on a new More4 television programme called *Devon and Cornwall*. The series follows local people, including a champion beef breeder and surfing pioneer, as they showcase life in their home county. It is a series of eight documentaries starting on 1 April, at 9pm on More4.

[Starts 1 April](#)

OMK Events 2019

Saturday 11 May, midday
OMK Golf (Tavistock Golf Club)

Saturday 11 May, 2pm
OMK Day

Saturday 11 May, 2pm
OMK Cricket v. Mount Kelly

Saturday 11 May, 7pm
OMK Dinner

Thursday 6 - Saturday 8 June
Royal Cornwall Show (Wadebridge)

Wednesday 19 June, 6pm
OMK Pub Gathering in London

Saturday 6 July
Mount Kelly Summer Ball

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