

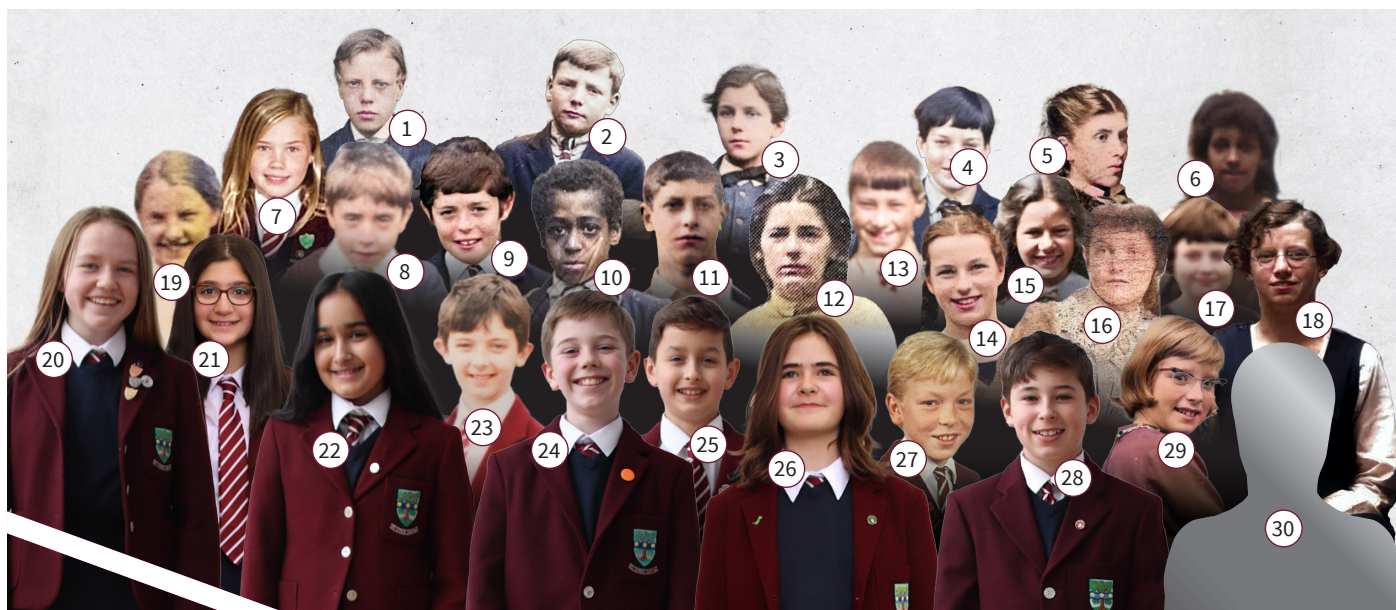
## Who are we?

We are the team of Primary 7 pupils who worked to research, design and commission this mural. In it, the past meets the future. We have discovered more about the rich history of our school and how some of its pupils and their dreams have contributed to the world. This wall celebrates and welcomes you into the Watson's family.

*Ex Corde Caritas!*

**Alex, Hamnah, Cate, Devon, Freya, James and Maria.**

## Who are they?



Back Row from left to right

### 1. Alex Cowie

Alex went to George Watson's Hospital in the 1860's. His father was a timber merchant and a widower. Alex was successful in the Edinburgh University local examinations.

### 2. Archibald Somerville

Archie attended Watson's until he was thirteen when in 1932 he returned to Chile with his family. However, when the Second World War broke out, Archie returned to Scotland, to volunteer. He died at Kohima in Burma in 1944, aged 24.

### 3. Andrew Jack

Andrew joined George Watson's Hospital in 1861, when he was eight. He was a talented artist, and passed the Edinburgh University local examinations. When he was 15, he emigrated to Australia with his family.

### 4. Malcolm Duff

Mal climbed mountains and led groups of people who wanted to climb mountains, both in Scotland and the Himalayas.

### 5. Walteria Gouinlock

Walteria, or 'Bud' to her family, was sent to the newly opened George Watson's College Schools for Young Ladies where she became its second Dux in 1873. Eric Milroy (11) was her son. Eric Anderson (13), her great grandson.

### 6. Agnes Savage

Dr Agnes Yewande Savage was the first woman of West African heritage to qualify as a doctor. She spent all her schooldays at George Watson's Ladies' College before leaving in 1924, to study Medicine at the University of Edinburgh. She worked in what is now Ghana but had to contend with

racism and sexism. Her life however shows that hard work and self-belief can allow one to break barriers.

### 7. Grace Reid

Grace was at Watson's from Nursery until she left S6 in 2014. She is a diver, competing at the World Championships, the Commonwealth and Olympics Games.

### 8. William 'Seggie' Brown

Seggie was a brilliant mathematician. He independently came to the same conclusions about Relativity as Einstein had done, but this was only discovered after he had died in 1916, at the Battle of the Somme.

### 9. Gavin Hastings

Gavin played rugby for Scotland and the British Lions. He was captain of both teams and played alongside his brother Scott.

### 10. Richard Savage

Richard was Agnes' brother. He also went on from Watson's to the University of Edinburgh to study Medicine. He was the first Black African officer ever to serve in the British Army. Soldiers serving in Burma during the Second World War remembered him and his kindness towards them very warmly.

### 11. Eric Milroy

After leaving Watson's, Eric captained Scotland at rugby and was top in the Scottish chartered accountants' examinations of his year. He was described as being 'sunny, modest and gentle.'

### 12. Rebecca West (Cicely Fairfield)

Cissie Fairfield was a suffragette whilst she was still at school. She changed her name to Rebecca West as she established herself as a journalist, novelist and travel writer. She was clever, shocking and difficult.

### 13. Eric Anderson

Eric was named after the great uncle he never knew, Eric Milroy (11). He was to become the Headmaster of one of the most famous schools in the world. Eton College. He had responsibility for three future British Prime Ministers whilst they were at school and at least one future king.

### 14. Liselotte Adler Kastner

Liesel was born in Vienna into a very loving Jewish family. In 1939, when she was five, she and her parents came to Edinburgh, as refugees from the Nazis. She went to George Watson's Ladies' College before qualifying as a doctor.

### 15. Eleanor Pairman

Eleanor or Nora was Dux of the Ladies' College in 1914 and a brilliant mathematician. She met her husband whilst they were both studying for their doctorates in the United States. Because she was expected to stay at home and look after their babies, Nora's career as an academic never really took off. Although, she did 'translate' maths text books for blind students by using her sewing machine to create the diagrams.

### 16. Jean Ailwyn

Jean was not perhaps your typical 'George Square Girl' of her day. She became a star of the Edwardian theatre, regularly playing comic roles. Reviews of her many appearances always spoke of her humour and intelligence.

### 17. Sheena McDonald

Sheena is a journalist and broadcaster. She began her broadcasting career as a producer and presenter at BBC Radio Scotland. She moved into television and then went on to present national radio and television programmes for the BBC and Channel 4.

### 18. Irene Bathgate

The child of a missionary doctor, Irene was on her way to work with her father in Palestine, during the Second World War, when the house where she was staying was bombed and she was killed. She was just 21 years old. Whilst at GWLC, she had been a poet and a prefect.

### 19. Janet Young

Janet trained to be a GP and then specialised in police and prison work. She has therefore worked with a great variety of people and provided support and medical care for many at a very challenging time in their lives.

### 20. Freya Beveridge

Freya was a member of the group that developed and commissioned this mural.

### 21. Maria Al Shiekh

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### 22. Hamnah Bilal

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### 23. Thomas Halliday

Thomas Halliday is a Palaeobiologist. He studies and writes about the earth as it used to exist, the changes that have occurred during its 500 million year history and the ways life did or did not adapt to those changes.

### 24. Devon Black

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### 25. Alex Southwell

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### 26. Cate Everest

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### 27. Chris Hoy

Sir Chris Hoy was a world champion track cyclist 11 times and six-times an Olympic champion, winning a total of seven Olympic medals, six gold and one silver, at the 2008 and 2012 Olympic Games. He was good at sport when he was at Watson's too!

### 28. James Newton

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### 29. Susan Tomes

Susan is a pianist and writer. She was the first woman to go to King's College Cambridge to study Music. She has made over 50 discs of solo, duo and chamber music as well as hundreds of radio recordings made around the world.

### 30. You

Everyone who joins the Watson's family adds to our vibrant community. It would be wonderful to see you here having fun, making friends and enjoying an excellent educational experience.

**Can you see our School motto, *Ex Corde Caritas* hidden in the mural?**

**It means 'Love from the Heart'. It's a special message from all these Watsonians to you.**



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