

# WOMEN AT GROTON BEFORE 1975

Women have always played a part in Groton's history. Women have taught science, played in the school orchestra, done administrative work, designed costumes for the theater productions, hosted social events, and served as housekeepers. Without the contributions of the women before 1975, Groton would not have become the place we know and love today. Groton School derives its success from all the members of the community.

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## 1884 — Groton School Founded

Endicott Peabody founds Groton School in 1884. Fannie Peabody marries Endicott Peabody in 1885.



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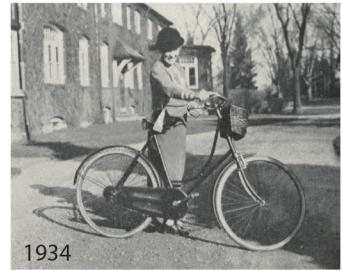


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## 1910s — The "Saving Graces"

Integral to the functioning of the school in the early twentieth century are the "Saving Graces": lunch lady Miss Cram and nurses Miss Burnett, "Mither," and Mme. MacMurray.



## 1920s — School Orchestra

Women begin teaching music lessons and playing in the school orchestra.

PERSONNEL OF SCHOOL ORCHESTRA		1926
Conductor —	Mr. Lynes	
Flute —	Mr. Harmon	
Oboe —	Mr. Hall	
Clarinets —	Stockton, Bingham, M.	
Basoons —	Mr. DeVeau, Thorpe	
Trumpets —	Miss Precious, Bakewell, Brown	
Horns —	Mr. Barrows, Mr. Call, Boyer, P.	
Trombones —	Mr. Hanfield, Rogers, F., Thorne	
Percussion —	Sherrill	
First Violins —	Mrs. Sabine, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Sturgis, Mr. Griswold, Mr. Andrew, Kellogg, F.	
Second Violins —	Miss M. Peabody, Crocker, A., Bing-	



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## 1932 — Groton's First Woman Teacher

Betsy Peabody, daughter of Fannie and Endicott Peabody, becomes Groton's first woman teacher in 1932. She starts teaching science and later spearheads a progressive remedial reading program.



## 1941 — Groton British Relief Fund

Faculty wives start the Groton British Relief Fund, teaching students to knit socks in support of the war effort.



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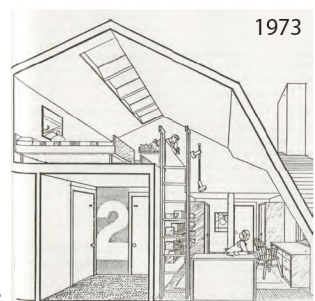
## 1960s — First Female Faculty

The first cohort of women joins the faculty.



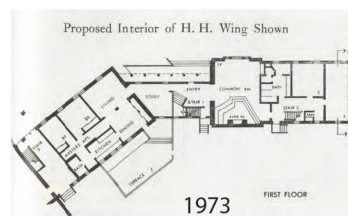
## 1971 — Trustees Approve Coeducation

The Board of Trustees approves the Committee on Coeducation's recommendation that the school go coed.



## 1973 — Girls' Dorms Construction Starts

The Board of Trustees approve the final plans for the remodeling of the Hundred House Service Wing.



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## 1975 — Girls Arrive at Groton School

Girls first begin studying at Groton School.