

Webmaster's Report - October 2026

During the last year, I have posted the following on our website:

- **A tribute to Dr Fenwick Justin John Lawson who had an eminent career as a sculptor**
- **A biography of Les Strong PhD (SGS 1952-1958) who had a distinguished career in the Zoology Department of Bristol University**
- **Photos from a recent visit to Tanfield School by Rt Hon Bridget Phillipson MP who was Secretary of State for Education at the time and who had praised Tanfield School's achievements**

I have renewed our contract with Internet Service Provider MilesWeb until 12 April 2029 for around £20 per year. This includes our private email service and domain name registration. Typically, our website uptime is over 99%.

Surprisingly for me, one of our most popular website pages is "Old Exam Papers". Here you will find many of my own 'A' and 'O' Level papers from around 1964 and you can attempt them in the privacy of your own home!

Ex-students and staff have continued to submit their "Life After Tanfield" stories and you too are invited to tell us what you've been up to since leaving school. You can find stories, so far, at:

<https://tanfield-association.org/W3/lifeaftertanfield.php>

I've also added Newsletters 64 & 65 to the website and distributed them to members via email. You can view old Newsletters using this link:

<https://tanfield-association.org/W3/newsletters.php>

Along with Elizabeth, I have maintained our popular Facebook site at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2010037882556025> (or search Facebook for "Tanfield Association")

This is an excellent way of involving our "younger" supporters and generates a great deal of interest. We currently have 2.2K Facebook members – 64% female, 36% male and 70% are aged between 35 and 55. Approximately half of our Facebook members are classified as living in the Stanley area.

Howard Bott
Webmaster

As always, I'd like to hear from you with any comments or suggestions for the website or Facebook.

Email your ideas to:
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