



Rudi Vis MP with Ana Lucia de Souza Ribeiro, who lives with her husband and two children in Fortis Green, and course director Barbara Jackson at the Institute's exhibition of work of the Pre-foundation students. Barbara Jackson said, "Each year we take about twelve students wishing to graduate to art school or to take a fine arts degree. They spend two terms full-time studying all the visual arts. In that time they produce an enormous body of work for their pre-foundation portfolios to a very high standard. This year's group, which is made up of many nationalities, has been one of the best." "I always come to this show," said the MP, "I consider the work of the Institute to be very important, they do a fantastic job in difficult circumstances."



St Jude's congregation shared a celebratory cake with Rev Alan Walker and his wife Lucretia on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of their arrival at the vicarage with their three children, Anastasia, Olivia and Henry, in 1995. Children of the Sunday school had made a giant card which they presented to Father Alan.



Angela Rippon supported the Breakthrough Breast Cancer Charity evening held to mark the launch of Garden Fine Jewellers, the new jewellers in Market Place. Guests enjoyed the evening to the sound of harpist Jemima Phillips, later to play at the reception for the Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall. Edwin Solomon said, "This will be the first of many events at the shop. If you are a local charity and would like an event at an exclusive location please contact us on 8731 6600. Edwin Solomon has been designing and manufacturing in the trade all his life but this is the first time he has opened a retail shop. His work under the Sceptre brand is to be seen in other quality jewellers and in stores such as Harrods and Fortmums, "but Market Place is much nearer home," he says.



Governors experience school life - Governors at Garden Suburb Infant and Junior schools were invited in for their annual walkabout day. They visited classrooms, assemblies, playtimes and sampled delicious school lunch with the children. Their visit coincided with the Infant School's annual art and music day, where each child in the school worked on the theme of the underwater kingdom. In the Junior School, the children were celebrating World Book Day where they were invited to dress as their favourite book character. (Kathy Brodbeck)



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