

In memory of Graham Archer CMG: 4th July 1939 – 12th January 2026

The Old Juddian Society recently learnt of the death of Graham Archer CMG. Graham's wife of 62 years, Pauline kindly wrote to the Society to inform us of his sad passing. Graham was at Judd from 1950 – 1957, and according to Pauline often spoke of his happy school days.



Graham did his national service with the intelligence corps in Singapore. He was a career diplomat with postings to India, Kuwait, Washington, New Zealand, South Africa, The Netherlands and was High Commissioner to Malta. Notably, he spent 5 years as the Head of Republic of Ireland Dept. in the (then) Foreign Office, and worked closely on the Downing Street Declaration which eventually led to the Good Friday agreement, for which he was awarded a CMG.

When not on overseas postings he and Pauline lived on the Hadlow Road in Tonbridge, moving Tunbridge Wells on Graham's retirement in 1999. In 2021 he and Pauline moved to Buckinghamshire to be near to their daughters.

Graham is pictured in this 1956/57 prefects photograph seated first on the left.

