

## REMEMBER THE JANITORS

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County High School: Established and Founded in 1956 by Educator, Politician and Radical Sydney King now Eusi Kwayana ...Did “I” say radical – Yes! Radical.

County was housed at Ebony Club, then Flores Hall and moved to the cottage of Stanley Albert Thierens (S.A.T) – former Headmaster, Village Councilor and Chairman – He also had a School under his bottom house ---I took classes there –

- “The Chief” he was called. Yard accommodative – high, sanded with sprinkles of sea shells –sapidilla, dong, cherries, guava, papaw, limes, oranges, sour soup, bread fruit, coconut trees, flowers and a flourishing vegetable garden – water lilies adorn the trench in front.
- The Bridge had rails and the railings decorated with nails to prevent limers from sitting – In fact young and old could be disciplined if found congregating ---

These premises like most in Buxton was Historic – Historic County High School attracted many throughout the Coast – Boys and Girls with Uniforms. Boys attired in Khaki short pants – cream shirts, maroon tie and socks.

Girls in white blouses, maroon skirts of overall and white socks!

Quite a Contrast!

Remember classes under Moms King bottom house – and the sloth on the guava tree – remember.

The teachers were well groomed both male and female, but Daddy Ben was special... Remember him – Hat, Tie/Tie pin, braces/suspenders, handkerchief, pocket watch with chain – and a smile...

Daddy Ben’s “Arithmetic” – His handwriting superb – majestic according to the British –Once he smacked someone at the back of his head – Who was it?

Remember how the kitchen portion of the school became off limits –Do not ask me? –

Remember the Janitors and I am the facilitator!

Remember the incident with the sea wall and suspension – Remember?

Remember how you could not ride a bike and talk to a girl –

Remember the game by Saint Peter – by Saint Paul to find some one’s stolen money – When Eusi investigated ...I cannot Remember who was the magician/or woman..

Remember the educational walks/and outdoor classes with Eusi... English, Literature, Biology, Physics –silence filled the open classroom...no snickering, disciplined approach.

Then there was Malcolm and Patsy –Did I say that...Bon-Jour

English, Literature, French...

A number of us Boys tried to drop Malcolm French as we called it... writing letters – to this effect, but he discovered the scam – and we were disciplined.

Patsy got our attention by pinching ear lobes... Look out – stay focused...She is coming...

Then Terrence - T.K. Drafting Oh! You cannot remember that ...Precision!

Then Basil –Geometry –

Ah! Up to this day I do not understand what he was saying --- and “I” end up teaching Mathematics...All right Basil! How Ironic...

Then Terry – Religious Knowledge, Latin, and English History ... aided our development –World View!

Then Ms. Lawrence – Algebra – She made her mark---

Then Thaddeus – Toddy – British Constitution, Commerce...Kept a keen eye on Benjie –Vindicated!

Then Burgan, English –D.R.I.P. Put your hand in your pocket! Sah me Na big Mahn-Psychotic/you think ...Was it?

Then Dr. Sam –Chemistry/religious Knowledge... A Wizard! Note talking was a must!

Then Coach Bacchus – with Sweat Suit – Exercise a must!

Then there was this rope – tied from coconut to Bread fruit tree – for the purpose of swinging to see how high one could go...Then Lahle fell –that was it;; Lahle out cold Remember Cud Joe?

Remember when Bone Dice “Salt fish” – Mr. Wilson – Came unto the School Compound with a dead cat and lectured about the “nine” lives of a cat – Quite a Philosopher!

Remember when Walla Baby was working on the roof of the building that housed Rubber Rum Shop – and he threw implements of his trade – and prevented students from attending classes – Remember!

Remember the Olympic Cinema?

Then there were the Students...

Remember strike time “Penny Concerts”... Our Local Elvis “Willie”

London on Guitar ---An Thing!

What about Sherman Punch, Lime, Split Channa, tennis roll and Cheese...

Revive – poetry, prose, essays and anecdotes – by Arnold Bathersfield

Big Spencer – shave ice etc... Ms. Lee -- Mauby and fish cake – Remember that Carl?

Eusi Playing cricket...! Joe Phill “Under the Sapodilla or Flower tree conducting classes in Humor about daily events...

Then Tucker...

Then you had Frenchy – A Lie – A Line...

Then Victor, Rocky, Carl, Parker, Gregory, Lahle, Cud Joe, Benjie, Harden, Errol, Owen, Winzie, Oswald, Thomas, Allen, Monies, Oralinzo, Cathwell, Remember when Goodheart fell off the train? Remember

Then you had Hailey, Eversley, Collins, Murray, Ifil, Straker, OT., Banes, Buff, Zammett, Fishey, Roger, Thisear, Melvin, Bumberry,

Other Names:

Brenda, Dorsil, Ingrid etc...