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### [Memories from, St Annes Convent School Ealing.](#)

by [Carole R.](#) » Tue Oct 16, 2012 9:38 pm

Apologies if this has been posted before:

The piece appears in a tribute page to a 'Mum.'

The Mum was called Christine Cann and it seems that she attended St Annes at the same time as Dusty, altho' Dusty was a little younger.

Anyway, I liked it and thought I'd share. 😊

*Christine: "I'm in the group under the Portico. St Anne's Convent [was] in Little Ealing Lane, Northfields, opposite a pub - I think it was called the 'Dick Turpin'. There was a tunnel from the school (previously a private house) to the pub which Dick Turpin was said to have used."*

*Celia: "[Christine's] expertise on the piano increased & increased, & once a year on the occasion of the headmistress's (Sr Stanislaus) feast day, she would play for all the school - probably much appreciated by the nuns & teachers, as she would have been preceded by **Dusty Springfield & her guitar** - who was in the class below!"*

*I always remember my mother mentioning that she was at school with **the great Dusty Springfield** - who at that time of course was still plain Mary O'Brien. This interesting revelation from Margaret about the annual concert gives rise to my mother having a kind of 'claim to fame'... she being 'top of the bill', with **Dusty** as her support act!*

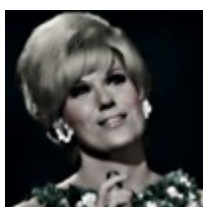
*In 1986 this school undertook a radical change - becoming the 'King Fahad Academy' (which itself relocated in 2005). The buildings sadly now stand empty... behind heavy security gates, as I found when I paid a little visit in 2006!*

Its very likely that Dusty is 'on' this photo.. Can ya spot her?! 🤔 😊



Carole R xx

"Nothing is forever, always is a dream."



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by [daydreamer](#) » Tue Oct 16, 2012 10:10 pm

I did find this a few years back and it's probably in the archive section. I think consensus then was that Dusty may have left when this was taken as "Christine" was younger. But that's not a definite, so get the magnifying glass out 😊

Another photo from around the same time.

Attachments



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There's a part of you, that's a part of me...

Carole x



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And Dusty's school photo's



*Above:* Dusty (circled) in the fourth form at St Anne's, Ealing. Next but one on her right is classmate, Liz Thwaites.

*Below:* Fifteen-year-old Dusty poses in the school hockey team, first on the left, sitting down.



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by [allherfaces](#) » Wed Oct 17, 2012 2:27 am

Bless her. When I see these old pics, I am so impressed and flat out in awe of how she transformed her image and became so glamorous.

x

Bosseh

*There's something in my soul that will always lead me back to you.*



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