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MISS I. J. BAKER, M.A.
HEAD ALMONER

Please quote ref.: **IJB/BMR**

22nd November, 1951

Dear Mrs. Mason,

I have now heard from the Almoner, Miss Gray, at the Heritage Craft Schools and Hospitals at Chailey, Sussex, that Paul will be admitted in January. She is going to let me know the date later. She thinks it would be a good idea for you to take his plaster bed and, presumably, therefore, we shall have to arrange for him to go by ambulance with the bed, but I will make enquiries about this when I know the actual date of admission.

Miss Gray tells me that they have two visiting days a month, the first and third Sundays in each month, from 2.30 p.m. until 4.30 p.m. Other particulars and means of travel are sent to all parents when the visiting cards are despatched by the administrative staff from Chailey. Apparently, parents can get travelling vouchers for railway fares at a reduced rate, and to obtain these you should apply to the Administrative Officer, Mr. R.V. Bullock, stating the date of travel and the number of persons (i.e. 1 or 2) and your station of departure. Apparently, you have to apply for this each time you visit. Miss Gray tells me that she is usually at the hospital on the first visiting Sunday of each month, and she would like to see you when you first go down to visit Paul, to see if there is anything you want to ask her about.

If anything else occurs to you in the meantime, do not hesitate either to get into touch with me or to write direct to Miss Gray at The Heritage Craft Schools and Hospitals, Chailey, Sussex. I will, of course, let you know as soon as

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the actual date for Paul's admission is fixed.

Yours sincerely,

J. Baker

HEAD ALMONER.

Mrs. Mason,
23 Crossway,
Freezywater,
ENFIELD.

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10th May, 1955.

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Mason,

In the absence of Dr. Harris who is unfortunately away on sick leave, I showed your letter about Paul to Dr. Quibell.

Dr. Quibell has asked me to write and say that Paul will not be transferred to St. George's until he is older, but our doctors do feel that the time has come for him to go on to another ward at the Girls' Heritage, and it is proposed to shortly transfer him to the Jubilee Block Ward where Sister Peace is in charge, and he will be with children who are older than those in the Queen Elizabeth Block, and receive more advanced education. When a definite date has been confirmed for Paul's transfer I will advise you.

The medical report for which you ask will be given to you after Dr. Harris returns.

Yours sincerely,

M.K. Harris (Miss).
Medical Records Officer.

Mr. & Mrs. E. Mason,
143, New Heston Road,
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8th July, 1955.

Dear Mrs. Mason,

Thank you for your letter and enquiry about Paul. I have passed your letter over to Miss Harris, our Medical Records Officer who makes arrangements for the children to go home when there is any difficulty such as that you mention, and I think that, in the circumstances, it will be possible to arrange either for our own ambulance, or for a Hospital Car to bring Paul home, but Miss Harris will look into this, and will let you know in due course.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Almoner.

Mrs. E. Mason,
143 New Heston Road,
Heston,
Hounslow, Middlesex.

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13th July, 1955.

Dear Mrs. Mason,

Summer Holidays

Miss Gray has shown me your letter to her of the 6th July about Paul and his plaster bed. I have discussed the matter with Dr. Harris who realises your difficulty.

Our own ambulance will be taking some children to their homes on Friday, August 5th, and we are proposing to include Paul and his plaster bed. He should arrive home at approximately 2.30 p.m.

Similar arrangements will be made for Paul's return on Friday, September 2nd, our ambulance picking up at about 12. noon.

We hope these arrangements will be acceptable to you.

Yours sincerely,

M. K. Harris

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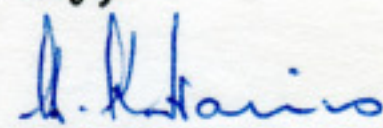
10th August, 1955.

Dear Mrs. Mason,

Dr. Quibell has asked me to let you know that next term, Paul will be given a trial period at St. George's, our Boys' Ambulatory Section, to see how he stands up to the life there.

We will of course, let you know as soon as the date has definitely been fixed for his transfer.

Yours very truly,


M.K. Harris (Miss)
Medical Records Officer.

Mrs. Mason,
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Hounslow.
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16th August, 1955

E. P. QUIBELL

B.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.C.H.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Mason,

In reply to your letter about Paul's starting at St. George's next term, despite a hunt through copies of correspondence, I cannot trace the letter dated May 10th to which you refer, and hence I do not know who wrote to you on this occasion, and should be glad if you would let me know.

When we were discussing the various new patients for admission and the children that needed moving on, we did feel that Paul now had reached a stage when he could manage the programme at St. George's, and as it does allow a rather more extended life, this seemed desirable.

I would point out that there are a number of other boys about his age already there and the younger ones come under the direct supervision of Miss Blackmore, the Assistant Matron, and they do have a fairly carefully supervised regime.

With regard to your point about visiting, it is quite true that the boys do not have the weekly visit there which applies on the Wards, mainly because they do have the full holiday periods at home, and we don't feel, therefore, that there is the same need for it that applies during long periods on the hospital wards, but there is a regular half-term Parents Day which usually starts about 11 a.m. and continues until after tea, when parents come down and have lunch here, and then join the boys for tea at St. George's later, and they have an opportunity of going round as much as they want to at the Heritage and seeing their school work, etc.

Usually too, the medical staff and Miss Gray are available to discuss any points that parents wish to bring up, as also are the physiotherapists and the Remedial Gymnast.

I am hoping, in addition, to have two other Sunday half days in future when parents can come down and probably will be able to take the children out for the afternoon. This is a new proposal which I have put up, and I think will probably be brought into operation in the Autumn term, so that you will have certain opportunities of seeing him: with regard to letter writing, there is a definite period during school hours when this is done to make quite certain

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that some news does get home regularly.

I think these points really answer some of your apparent anxieties about the arrangements, but I would be quite prepared to discuss the matter with you further if you would like to.

By transferring him to the Ambulant side he will be able to participate in a considerably wider range of activities and interests, and I think this would do a lot to help in developing Paul's interests generally at this stage.

Yours sincerely,
E. P. GIBSON

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ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL,
LONDON, E.C.1.

(Copy sent to Dr.Harris)

WEC/MIG

28th November, 1955.

Dr.Lloyd,
142 New Heston,
Road,
Heston,
Middx.

Dear Dr. Lloyd,

Paul Mason

Following my letter to you of 11th November, I saw this boy and discussed his case with Dr.Harris of Chailey last Saturday. I am very satisfied with the condition of his back. There is still some deformity, but it does not seem to be deteriorating at all, and he is comfortable in his spinal support. He is leading the ordinary life of a schoolboy at a preparatory school, and plays football and other games in spite of his support. From the medical point of view he could quite easily return home and come to my out-patients for occasional supervision, and I have no objection to his doing this if the parents would like him at home now.

On the other hand, if Mr. and Mrs. Mason feel, on reconsideration, that Paul is happy at Chailey and would like him to do all his schooling there, we shall be very glad to keep him. We have found in the past that boys who lead a normal healthy life at Chailey are not allowed to play games when they go to an ordinary day school, because the school masters are unwilling to accept the responsibility of allowing games for a boy who is wearing a support. I think Harris will discuss the matter with the parents when they next visit Paul at Chailey.

Yours sincerely,

W.D.Coltart, F.R.C.S.
Orthopaedic Surgeon

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HALF-YEARLY
REPORT
1955

Acting Headmaster Mr. A. H. A. E. Bennett

CHAILEY HERITAGE CRAFT SCHOOL

Copy of School Report for Half Year ending December 1955.Name Paul Mason.Age 7y. 7m.Form Primary I. Number in Form 15.Average Age 8y. 8m.

* Grade Teacher's Initials

English { Reading Quite good. Paul must try to put more effort into his Reading.
Oral
Written

C- hid.

Arithmetic good steady progress. Very neat work. Paul works very well on his own.

C+ hid.

HANDWRITING.
Geography Very good.

B. hid.

History

Science and Nature Study

Divinity Interest shown

Music

Satisfactory, but lacking in concentration.C PNL

Art and Light Crafts

Paul is an essentially neat boy and enjoys this work.C. hid.

Other Subjects

Printing

Bookbinding

Needlework

Carpentry

Joinery

Turnery

Bootcraft

Domestic Science

Games

General Conduct

Paul is friendly, although rather shy. I would like to see more initiative.C. hid.

* A—Excellent B—Very Good C—Satisfactory D—Weak E—Poor

Remarks:

Form Master/Mistress

Now that Paul has had time to settle down at the Boys' School, he should make good progress in all subjects.

Senior Master/Mistress

Headmaster

Has made satisfactory progress.M. Burnett

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MEDICAL ADMINISTRATOR
E. P. QUIBELL
B.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.C.H.

15th May 1956.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Mason,

Thank you for your letter of 6th May, and I must apologise for a little delay in answering it.

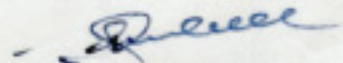
I have realised for some time that you wanted if possible to have Paul at home, and quite naturally we do sympathise with parents' views on this point. I do feel, however, that it is important to be certain that there are adequate arrangements locally, as a spinal jacket is something of an awkward handicap in the ordinary rough-and-tumble and not all schools are in fact prepared to take on children with certain types of handicaps and problems like this, so that it is important to be sure there is some adequate provision locally.

One possible suggestion I can make is that he should start at the Open Air School at Bush Corner, and then, if all goes well, he could perhaps attend an ordinary primary school nearer home. A possible advantage of the Bush Corner School is that the health side is rather more closely supervised, and they have a definite rest mid-day.

However, all this will of course rest largely with the local authority to decide about. I do not think any action is required on your part at present. I will write to the Area Medical Officer, to let him know the position, and this will then give them time to look into future arrangements.

I certainly do not think that Paul has been unhappy here, and I hope his condition will keep satisfactory in future. I believe that Mr. Coltart has offered to see him as an out-patient to supervise the spine condition, and deal with his equipment. This presumably would mean your taking Paul up to St. Bartholomews Hospital, London, from time to time for this purpose.

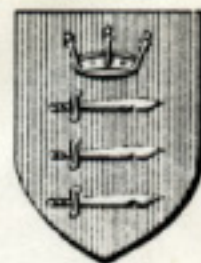
Yours sincerely,


Medical Administrator.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason,
143 New Heston Road,
Heston, Middx.

County Council of Middlesex

C. E. GURR, M.Sc., Ph.D.,
Chief Education Officer and Secretary
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Mr. and Mrs. Mason,
143, New Heston Road,
Heston,
Middlesex.

24th August, 1956.

Dear Sir and Madam,

Paul Mason

Enclosed herewith is a school report which I have received from the Chailey Heritage School, in respect of your son Paul.

Yours faithfully,

C. E. Gurr.

Chief Education Officer

Teaching Staff

Headmaster Mr. J. Broadhurst, B.A.
Deputy Headmaster, Form 6a and History Mr. A. H. A. E. Bennett

BOYS' HERITAGE

Form 6b; Bootwork and Games Mr. L. A. Holgate
Form 5a and Advanced Tuition Mr. P. N. Leeson, M.A.
Form 5b; Woodwork, Films, Tuck Shop Mr. H. W. Leggatt
Form 4a; Geography and Science Mr. D. A. Hiles
Form 4b; Geography, Science and Games Mr. E. W. Sullivan
Form 3a; Printing and Book Crafts Mr. G. A. Warner
Form 3b and Remedial Tuition Mrs. F. J. Bunkle
Form 2s, Primary Miss I. E. Jones
Form 2, Primary Miss M. E. Langridge
Form 1, Primary Miss P. D. Kettle
Art and Drama Mr. S. Blundell
Music and Mathematics Mr. B. R. Richards
Leatherwork and Light Crafts Mr. W. Noble

GIRLS' HERITAGE

Senior Mistress and Senior Girls' Class Miss D. C. M. Ducker, B.A.
'O' Ward, Commercial Subjects, Geography Miss D. E. Welford
Junior Girls' Class Mrs. I. Cheshire
Junior Mixed Ward Mrs. M. L. Phipps, M.A.
Toddlers' Ward Miss O. Parker
Nursery Assistant Miss P. Avery
Games and Physical Recreation Mrs. U. Robbins
Needlework & Light Crafts Miss C. E. Gorton
Soft Toymaking and Light Crafts Miss M. Adams

BOYS' WARD

Senior Group Mr. F. Tarrant
Junior Group Mr. F. H. Southgate

SCHOOL HELPER Mrs. C. Keating

CHAILEY HERITAGE CRAFT SCHOOL



HALF-YEARLY REPORT

1956

Headmaster Mr. J. BROADHURST, B.A.

CHAILEY HERITAGE CRAFT SCHOOL

Copy of School Report for Half Year ending July..... 1956

Name Mason Paul Age 8 years 2 months
 Form I Number in Form 10 Average Age 8 yrs. 2 mths.
 * Grade Teacher's Initials

English	Reading Paul has made steady progress Oral He is beginning to take a Written part in discussions. His writing is very neat, although still rather too slow.		P.O.K.
Arithmetic	Slow, but accurate. Good progress has been made.		P.O.K.
Geography			
History			
Science and Nature Study	Keen and observant		P.O.K.
Divinity	Paul enjoys stories		P.O.K.
Music	Well behaved and attentive.	C	B.R.
Art and Light Crafts	Imaginative work which is carefully carried out.		P.O.K.
Other Subjects			

Printing
Bookbinding
Needlework

Carpentry
Joinery
Turnery

Bootcraft
Domestic
Science

Games

General
Conduct

Very good.

P.O.K.

* A—Excellent B—Very Good C—Satisfactory D—Weak E—Poor

Remarks: A quiet, well behaved pupil and a
 Form Master/Mistress very helpful member of the class.
 P.D. Kettle

A good lad. We shall miss
 him, and wish him every
 success.

Headmaster

J Broadhurst.



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*Orthopaedic Department,
Saint Bartholomew's Hospital,
London, E. C. 1*

22nd January, 1962.

Dear Mrs. Mason,

Thank you and Mr. Mason for letting me know about Paul.
I am really glad to hear that he has now reached the stage at which
Mr. Manning can help him by operation. It is of course a major procedure
but he is in the best possible hands.

My good wishes to Paul,

Yours sincerely,

W.D. Coltart, F.R.C.S.

Mrs. E. Mason,
143 New Heston Road,
Heston, Middx.