

THE JAMES GILLESPIE'S TRUST

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To the alumni of James Gillespie's High School, wherever you are

Please note that this is the new dedicated email address for the alumni – alumni@jamesgillespiestrust.com - so could you add it to your contacts please? The old email address will continue to work for the foreseeable future but may be discontinued at a later date.

Accounts 2020-21

Our accounts, audited annually, have been submitted to OSCR. This ensures we maintain our charitable status. You can see the links to them, including the annual report, on our website: <https://www.jamesgillespiestrust.com/trust-reports/> - look for the section headed Trust Accounts 2020-21.

Muriel Spark Society Talk – Tuesday 5 October 2021 at 5pm

Norma Allan's Talk is to be via a Zoom link set up by the NLS. The text that was sent by Eric Dickson of the MS Society to the Events & Learning Coordinator at NLS as an introduction to the lecture is as follows:

“CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF MISS JEAN BRODIE

Macmillan published Muriel Spark's classic novel 60 years ago on 5 October 1961, and it would become iconic in the public imagination. Success would follow in the West End, on Broadway, on television and at the Oscars. The role has been played by Vanessa Redgrave, Geraldine McEwan and Maggie Smith amongst others. Yet Miss Brodie was inspired by a teacher at James Gillespie's School, Christina Kay.

We are delighted to welcome Norma Allan, a Gillespie girl herself, to delve into the social history behind the myth, as she did in her recent book, Box Hats and Blue Stockings: The Golden Era of the Gillespie Girls.”

The event has been posted on the NLS website (<https://www.nls.uk/events/>), and booking (though free) can be made via Eventbrite (<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/celebrating-60-years-of-miss-jean-brodie-tickets-168104118945>).

Best Wishes,

Jean

Jean Knox,
Treasurer of James Gillespie's Trust