

Bovian, December 1950

One good result of the poor weather this season was the great crop of nuts of all kinds. At the beginning of term, the junior boarders gathered enough hazel nuts to ruin their teeth for good and all. The beech trees in Old Hall garden covered the lawns with a thick carpet of pleasantly-flavoured beech nuts and the walnut tree there (though we say it shouldn't) produced a phenomenal yield. Conkers were plentiful too, but the firework season began so early this year that hardly anyone had much time for them.

Bovian, December 1954

The weather has been a major talking point.....Cowbridge main road was flooded in the vicinity of the Police Station; Old Hall lawn became a lake for several hours one day, and the cellars of the old school had to be pumped out on more than one occasion.....Suggest a covered way, subterranean or other, from Old Hall to the new buildings.....poor lighting, insufficient heating and floods outside.
(i.e. difficult school conditions)