



ROALD DAHL. BOY.

LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL SCHOOL, 1923-5



<http://www.civitrustwales.org/llandaff/place3.htm>

<http://homepage.ntlworld.com/llandaff/music.htm>

http://chrisb.4ce.co.uk/schools_site/create_pdf.php?ID=194

http://www.cathedral-school.co.uk/headmasters_intro.htm (This is the school's web page today)

The school was opened in the village in 1880 and remained on that site until 1957. Used as the Bishop's Palace, it became the Cathedral School in 1958. The Cathedral School, Llandaff, occupies site on the southern side of Llandaff rich in Medieval and Post-Medieval archaeology. Recent construction work undertaken as part of the expansion of the school has enabled new insights into the development of the area. The Cathedral School Llandaff is one of the leading schools in Wales with a 120-year tradition of academic excellence.

Enjoy listening to Roald Dahl being interviewed. Enter the following site:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bbcfour/audiointerviews/profilepages/dahlr1.shtml>

Answer the questions in small groups:

- ✚ How long did Roald Dahl attend this school?
How old was he?

- ✚ Only two moments remain clearly in his mind from the time he attended Llandaff Cathedral School. The first one has something to do with this picture. Explain.

- ✚ What did the Thwaite boy tell young Roald that Liquorice Bootlaces were made from?
A. Rubber tires B. Tar
C. Mashed up flies D. Rat's blood

- ✚ *"This violent incident was what prompted Sofie to withdraw Roald from the Llandaff School and finally send him off to an English boarding school: St. Peter's."* Which incident are we referring to?

- ✚ What's your opinion about Mrs. Pratchett? Could you describe her both physically and psychologically?

- ✚ What does this picture have to do with the story?

- ✚ What was the punishment for the Great Mouse Plot?

- ✚ *"Children are incredibly rude compared with adults"* Dahl once said. Do you agree? Does laughter relieve rudeness in a story? Has this section of the book been too rude for you? Explain.

