This is a memory from Pat Harley who is a 92 year old member of Addiscombe Parish. She received the Bene Merenti a couple of years ago in recognition of the tremendous work she’s done in the Parish over many, many years.

One memory is of a whole school assembly in the ‘30s.

Madame Winifred was trying to keep order from the stage and in so doing she flung her arm out with the hand-bell in it and it sailed through the air and landed amongst us. There was dead silence then I can tell you!!

Three generations of my family have been at Coloma at one time or another from 1921 (kindergarten onwards) - starting with my sister and myself until the school was evacuated when the war was imminent.

Pat Harley (nee Walker)

Maureen Woodcraft (nee Walker)