## IN MEMORIAM

## **NEIL CHAKRAVARTY (COUNTY HOUSE 1993-2000)**

Neil Chakravarty who has tragically died aged 35, was a principal of Maya Capital LLP. He was the elder brother of E (Erik) Chakravarty (1995-02). Neil was born in Chertsey but grew up in Ascot where his parents Hirak and Anne Marie had moved with their two sons and daughter, Gita. Ned Holt, former Head of the History Department at School remembers Neil as 'astonishingly bright..... He won a national prize for the best GCSE course work in the country for a piece on Stalin. Two years later he repeated this feat in his A Levels, this time for a piece on the Fall of the Mayan Empire.'

He was, indeed, fiercely intelligent; a junior member of Mensa whilst at School who left with a galaxy of A\*s. He went up to Merton College, Oxford, where he read History and Politics and later attended the London Business

School where he gained a Master's Degree in Finance. Among many other accomplishments he also taught himself Danish and Russian.

Neil became an investment analyst for Reuters and then moved to The Blackstone Group, before Maya Capital LLP Limited was set up in 2014, specialising in real estate and private equity investment.

It was attested at Neil's funeral on 22 November 2017, that he possessed formidable talents and was a magnetic, infectious character whose ability to find humour in all situations endeared him to his friends and family.

Amongst those attending the service were E S (Ned) Holt (1964-72 and Staff 1980-2012) and Neil's contemporary, Viren Walia (1993-2000).

N Chakravarty, born 16 January 1982, died November 2017, aged 35.