Secondary schools across the country are custodians to some glorious artworks. By **Anya Waddington**

**ANTONY GORMLEY**

Looming down from a wall at Eton is Antony Gormley’s ‘Bronze Edge II’. Gormley’s nephew was a pupil at Eton and the sculpture was gifted to the College by Gormley. Eton College, Windsor, Berkshire SL4 6DW  etoncollege.com

**ASSYRIAN FRIEZE**

In the early 1990s Canford School discovered that what they had thought was a plaster copy hanging in the tuck shop was actually a genuine Assyrian masterpiece. It sold at Christie’s for over £7m – a windfall that enabled the school to fund many scholarships and bursaries as well as develop theatre facilities and establish a partnership with communities in need overseas. They now display a replica! Canford School, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 3AD  canford.com

**OLIVE MUDIE-COOKE**

Mudie-Cooke was one of very few women appointed an Official War Artist in WW1. She attended Notting Hill & Ealing High School between 1900 and 1903. ‘The Somme’ is one of seven copies of her sketches that NHEHS owns. Notting Hill & Ealing High School, 2 Cleveland Road, W13 8AX  greshams.com

**BEN NICHOLSON**

Nicholson attended Gresham’s in 1909. ‘Abstract Composition Offset lithograph, 1973’, is a signed limited edition. Gresham’s School, Cromer Road, Holt, Norfolk NR25 6EA  greshams.com

**SIR JACOB EPSTEIN**

Epstein’s sculpture, ‘A Portrait of Deirdre’, stands in the quad at Oxford High School and is affectionately known as Deirdre by all alumnas. Oxford High Senior School, Bellbroughton Road, Oxford OX2 6XA  oxfordhigh.gdst.net

**PAUL NASH**

St Paul’s School houses a few pieces of work from an Old Pauline, British surrealist painter and war artist, Paul Nash. ‘Objects in Relation’ is often on loan to galleries and will be showcased at the forthcoming Paul Nash exhibition at Tate Britain. St Paul’s School, Lonsdale Road, SW11 3JF  stpaulsschool.org.uk

**ART GALLERY**

**JOHN CONSTABLE**

John Wingfield was Head Master of Westminster School for under a year in 1802 before resigning to undertake a career in the church. He was painted whilst a Prebendary of York by Constable in 1818. Westminster School, Little Dean’s Yard, SW1P 3FP  westminster.org.uk

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