



The bedroom should be an

of sleep could increase the risk

of conditions such as obesity

and diabetes, scientists have

# Putin frozen out as the West unites over Crimea

Military takeover is complete, boasts Kremlin

ssia was ejected from the elite club of eading economies last night as world group of seven in Brussels in June. ders turned their wrath on President

The West united to threaten tougher sanctions aimed at throttling the tussian economy if Mr Putin took

Missing jet 'crashed'

ad crashed into the Indian

Obama and the leaders of Britain. Germany, France, Italy, Canada and up of Russian forces on Ukraine's

ummit in Sochi, which Mr Putin was officer said. due to chair, and instead meet as a

Moscow announced that its military takeover of Crimea was complete. Ukrainian forces had surrendered ined Russian forces or been ejected

from all military bases.

'Dithering' Miliband

Ed Miliband has been urged

general election manifesto

amid growing fears that he

may adopt a safety-first

The Pentagon warned that the build-

will boycott this year's planned G8 hot state of readiness," a senior US China, Brazil and India.

As world leaders convened an 16 years, was the most concerted diplo- annexation of Crimea and troop buildmatic effort yet to isolate Moscow. Russia shrugged off the punishment

as meaningless. Sergei Lavrov, the countries abide by international law," Foreign Minister, said it was no tragedy, an official said. and that Russia would wait a year or

A court in Cairo sentenced to

Islamist president Mohammed

Morsi in a 45-minute hearing

from which defence lawvers

The decision to call time on the G8, of trying to mobilise G20 countries into a also attended the prep school, which which Russia has been a member for wider condemnation of Russia's shares a 45-acre campus with St Paul's up. "We don't want this to be just the G7 against Russia but a question of which

The Western response so far has two before deciding whether it was been divided, with the US issuing | to have failed to contact police when worth pushing again for membership. punitive sanctions against Mr Putin's concerns about masters' inappropriate He added that most important inner circle while Europe has targeted sexual conduct towards boys were

Oscar Pistorius's girlfriend

sent him a text message

saying: "I'm scared of you

sometimes" weeks before he

shot her, his murder trial has

## Teachers 'abused boys at Osborne's old school

Chief Investigative Reporter

At least six teachers at one of Britain's most famous and successful public schools are suspected of sexually abusing boys as young as 10 over two dec

aught at St Paul's School or its junior livision, Colet Court, are implicated in numerous alleged sexual assaults against pupils between the 1960s and 1980s, an investigation by he Times has established.

One, a close friend of Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber, became a nember of the Paedophile Information ssure group that has been linked to enior Labour Party figures.

Alan Doggett, director of music at Colet Court, was allowed to resign after uspected serial abuse of a young pupi as exposed. He went on to teach at an

## 'He sat us on his lap till his face went very red'

Dominic Grieve, OC, the Attorne frozen out of the G8 club. The countries growing in numbers. They're still in a of G20 countries, which includes General, was a Colet Court pupil when

There is no suggestion that either was abused as a schoolboy.

On at least two more occasions in t

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# The teacher sat us on his lap until his face went very red'

Chief Investigative Reporter

One was a "gifted colleague" of the cott, in Buckinghamshire, abused more was not on the list. He was not the only

West End giants Tim Rice and Andrew than 30 boys over two decades. Caldiformer pupil of St Paul's and its prep Lloyd Webber; another became an An- cott was among 130 British independglican clergyman. The third sat boys on ent schools, later identified by this his lap until he went "very red in the newspaper, where staff had been linked

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life in an English preparatory school. at 64 of them were convicted of sexual Last year The Times revealed that five offences against male pupils. heir son the best possible start in life. teachers at another prep school, Caldi-

Times to set the record straight. Now 59, married and with adult chil-

face". Such were the hazards of 1960s to sex crimes involving boys. Teachers dren, he had set out to build a life that wasn't defined by what happened to him at school. For years he blocked out psychological wounds festered and 14 erupted and with them came a desire for justice. Luke contacted the police.

By 2000 only one of his three abusers was still alive. Paul Topham was by now Luke described lying in his dormitory bed on evenings when Topham was uty master. As dorm monitor, Luke's ed was closest to the door and the light switch. Topham invariably entered the room, switched off the lights and then sat on Luke's bed. In the dark, his hand reached under the boy's bedclothes.

The child lay frozen with shame and onfusion. He told no one, nor wa here any discussion among the boys of opham's far more public assaults weekends to use the senior school swimming pool. Swimming naked was ompulsory, "If Topham was supervising, he'd be in the water in his turquoise orts. If you rested against the side of the pool, he'd swim up from behind and rub himself against you." His abuser set out to befriend Luke's

parents. During school holidays he ould often "pop by for a sherry". Luke said: "He tainted the only safe place I

plaint of abuse told Luke that Topham was questioned under caution in 2000 He denied every allegation. No charges were brought. He died in 2012.

It was already too late to hold a second abuser to account: Luke's former housemaster, known as "Alex" Alexander, was dead. Naughty boys were sum moned to his study for a beating, then asked to select the weapon — a slipper, hairbrush or plimsoll. Boys pulled down their pyiamas, then bent over a chair. Afterwards, the housemaster would sit the miscreant on his lap, give him toffees as a treat, then shower the child with physical affection. "At the let Court, the future member of the time. I didn't realise what was happening. I just remember being cuddled and feeling puzzled because he'd always end up going very red in the face."

Luke's abuse by Alan Doggett, Colet Court's director of music, was a onceompulsory audition for the choir.

A far worse fate awaited another boy in his dormitory, a year younger than Luke, who was angelic in both voice and mitory to spend long hours at night in

changed to protect his identity.

adolescent boys. He was a gifted bu and Doggett was forced to resign though his crimes are understood to Court and St Paul's who returned to th have gone unreported by St Paul's. As a prep school as director of music from result, it was a decade before he finally 1963 to 1968, having previously taugh the cellist Julian Lloyd Webber at West appeared in court, charged with offenminster Under School, the junior div es against a ten-year-old choirboy born in the year the teacher left Colet Court. sion of Westminster School.

Twice, in 2000 and earlier this year, A regular guest at the Lloyd Webbe apport mechanisms for victims of hislian's elder brother. Andrew, and in the torical abuse at the school. Each time. summer of 1967 invited the fledgeling he says, he was told there was no such Tim Rice-Lloyd Webber songwriting provision, though St Paul's last week ight be helped to achieve "closure". The former pupil's name has been

partnership to pen a pop cantata for a Rice was then 22. Lloyd Webber 19 and from that invitation Joseph and the

with whom Alan Doggett was allowed

close contact after his suspected abus

of a pupil came to the attention of St

Paedophile Information Exchange

(PIE) went on to teach boys at a secon

choirmaster with boys from more tha

A decade after his departure from

himself in front of a train a few hours

after appearing in court, accused of

In the 17 years preceding his 1978 sui

Doggett was a former pupil of Cole

cide, he worked almost daily with pre

30 London schools.

endent school before working as a

born. Its first performance was in March the choir's reputation grew, he took his

Doggett conducted the first recording formed for the Pope, appeared on radio

with a pupil led to his dismissal in the duct a massed choir of 1,000 school-

same year but by 1969 he was again boys — all personally selected and

Rice and Lloyd Webber

continued until 1976. He - 4

was principal conduc-

tor on the original recording of Jesus Christ

Superstar and directed the London Boy Sing-

ers - a choir whose

first president was

in his role as "musical

co-ordinator" for the

first Evita album. As

Benjamin Britten -

Police had been planning to interview

the way of the Greek",

ued a joint statement:

of Joseph, at EMI's Abbey Road, again and television, recorded albums and

Director of music, Colet Court, 1963-1968

Dismissed over suspected abuse a pupil; alleged to have abused nany more. He committed suicide victim talks in 1978 after being charged with the indecent assault of boy, 10

Teacher and housemaster, Cole

Court. 1960s Alleged to have indecently assaulted pupil after corporal punishment. No police investigation. Presumed dead

Unnamed teache

rrested and questioned in 2000 during an inquiry into former pupil's complaint of sexual abuse in the late 1980s. Crown Prosecution Service evidence to bring charges

> Geography teacher Paul's, late 1970s

a police inquiry into the alleged sexual abuse of a 15-year-old boy i 1979-80. Denies any wrongdoing

ado-masochistic pornography in his room with a register of pupils punished in private spanking



Gove has change of heart after

Sex abuse News

Teachers and other adults who work with children may face a legal duty to ment considers a reversal of policy Michael Gove surprised MPs vesterd: when he said that a new obligation to

The Education Secretary's decision follows a meeting with Tom Perry, a victim of abuse in the 1960s at Caldicott prep school in Buckinghamshire. Calls for a duty to report evidence of

spicions of abuse have grown since

he Times highlighted the cover-up of torical abuse at boarding schools

Mr Gove signalled his shifting por tion in the Commons after he was cha enged by the Labour MP Tom Watsor r Watson said that a child had beer ormer independent special schoo near Romsey, Hampshire, last summe nonths after parents of victims of orting. The school has since closed Mr Gove replied: "I have had th

opportunity in a different context to andatory reporting of abuse in regu lated settings. I had hitherto been cor reate more work for children's service enartments than it would generate safety for children. But I do have to say that the specific case for mandatory

# Osborne's old school hit

even a minor menace, to the many boys e worked with over the years. It has the subject of at least four child abuse head of history, received a two-year facture or exaggerate incidents when None was initiated by the school.

they know and disapprove of a teacher's Lloyd Webber was said by a biographer to remain convinced that "Dog- who taught geography and coached gett would never have been guilty of taking advantage of any young person weeks ago over the suspected abuse of child abuse images "over a substantial After his death, an edition of Magpie, the newsletter for the PIE pressure

paedophiles, revealed that a requiem Mass was said for Doggett by a Catholic priest, Michael Ingram, at a church in featuring boys in the prep school choir. performed in films. Doggett's death 2002, Ingram was convicted of multiple against six boys aged from 9 to 12.

PIE's treasurer, Paul Andrews, wrote evidence to bring charges. teaching music to boys, this time at the coached — at the Royal Albert Hall. that Doggett killed himself after being

Former teachers at St Paul's have been Perry, St Paul's "inspirational" former after collecting hundreds of extreme images of naked boys.

inquiry continues. Mr Marshall, who as young as 8. It is not suggested that group that campaigned on behalf of denies wrongdoing, has been released any of Perry's crimes involved pupils at

an unnamed St Paul's teacher alleged to none of the alleged abuse concerned Leicester. Twenty-four years later, in have abused a pupil in the 1980s. The staff or pupils currently at the school, It suspect was arrested in 2000 and a file added that three of the alleged offend

"Any sexual abuse of children by an "accused of indecency with a 10-year- into a Colet Court teacher, Paul To- adult, and particularly by a teacher, is A farewell letter explained imagine the innocence with which this against a boy in the late 1960s. He also and an affront to the value of any caring that in life he had chosen act of love and affection had taken was not prosecuted, and died in 2012 community. The school deals quickly aged 80. A former housemaster at the sensitively and resolutely with any con-Ian Pace, a professional pianist, City prep school, known as "Alex" Alexanand Lloyd Webber is- against abuse in musical education, last of serial indecent assaults during the of historic abuse. Pupil welfare and

to leave St Paul's after a school cleaner High Master, said he was "grateful to

lieve that Alan was truly a danger, or raised by parents or members of staff. A seventh teacher. 70-year-old Keith

The most recent criminal case began rowing at St Paul's He was arrested four a boy, aged 15, in the late 1970s. Police hope to speak to more ex-pupils as the

which ruled there was insufficient

Another inquiry was held in 2000

University lecturer and campaigner night demanded a "proper investiga- same decade. Alan was a music and tion" of Doggett's continued access to A sixth, unidentified teacher agreed inging teacher of ex- boys after his offending was first exposed at the prep school. "It is rare for found sado-masochistic pornography such abusers to have merely a few iso- in his room, alongside a personal tions to our attention. He promised

implications of this are alarming."

lated victims," he said. "The potential register of pupils subjected to private that St Paul's would co-operate fully spanking sessions. Parents were told with any investigation

### stars had easy access to boys traordinary talent. We have lost a gifted colleague and a dear friend." Bloog and a dear friend." by ex-pupils' abuse claims Rice spoke at the funeral. In his 1999 utobiography, he wrote: "I cannot be- Continued from page 1

## Swift recovery of head spared sex trial

Video shows a former teacher ruled unable to face child abuse charges apparently fit and well. writes **Andrew Norfolk** 

A former headmaster accused of sexually abusing five boys at an independent school enjoyed a remarkable return to health within months of a judge ruling that he was too ill to stand trial.

Alleged victims of offences by Colin Cope were stunned when a court ruled in 2009, when he was 78, that he could not receive a fair trial because physical and mental health problems meant that he did not know "what was going on" and would be unable to defend

Eight months later, covertly filmed video footage obtained by *The Times* shows him telling jokes and reciting poetry while giving a public talk at his local church. He is also seen driving his car, carrying a table and climbing steep stairs while giving paying visitors a guided tour of his 18th-century National Trust home.

The boarding school where Mr Cope taught for 14 years subsequently paid £129,000 to settle a civil action by the five former pupils, now in their fifties. Three, waiving their right to anonymity, voiced outrage that no jury was allowed to hear evidence of the sexual crimes they claim to have suffered in the early 1970s at the junior school of Tettenhall College, Wolverhampton.

Court papers reveal that police officers who first arrested Mr Cope in 2006, during a criminal inquiry that led to him being charged with 11 sexual offences against children aged from 11 to 13, were said to be "deeply con-cerned" about Judge Robin Onions' decision to block the prosecution.

In addition to evidence from the five alleged victims, there were witness statements from another four ex-pupils and a former teacher at the school, each claiming to have witnessed inappropriate conduct by Mr Cope towards young

boys. He denied any wrongdoing.

There was a striking contrast
between Mr Cope's apparent physical and intellectual prowess, as displayed in the April 2010 video footage, and the evidence of the desperate state of his health presented in court by defence medical experts a few months earlier.

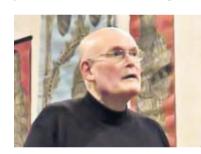
Mr Cope did not attend the hearing

held at Shrewsbury crown court in July 2009 to determine whether it would be fair to put him on trial. By then, three years had passed since his initial arrest during a West Midlands police inquiry that led to charges of indecent assault and gross indecency.

His alleged victims came forward independently in 2006 and 2007 to say that they had been abused by him as



Andrew Wood, circled, accused Colin Cope of sexually abusing him in the early 1970s when he was the headmaster of the junior school at Tettenhall College. There is no suggestion that any of the other boys in the picture were sexually abused



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children. They gave detectives detailed statements of crimes allegedly committed in Mr Cope's private rooms at the boarding school, on camping trips, in his car and in a boy's bedroom.

They also spoke of lasting emotional and psychological damage. Mark Shelton, 57, described feelings of anger, resentment and confusion. He told police that the charismatic Mr Cope, who always charmed the boys' parents, "took a huge part of my childhood from me"

"I've lived my life in shame. His actions took away any love, any faith and trust I had. Those events changed me from a loving, caring, outgoing little chap to someone who was very introverted and very suspicious of people who came close to me. I've spent my entire life pushing people away," he said. A three-week trial was scheduled to

begin in October 2009. The complainants believed that they would finally have the chance to tell their story to a jury. Such hopes were dashed when Judge Onions terminated the prosecution. He made his decision after considering reports and evidence from five defence medical experts, including a GP who was a friend of Mr Cope.

In addition to clinical depression and multiple "anxiety-related symptoms", Mr Cope was said to be taking 12 medications for numerous physical ailments. He had heart disease, prostate cancer and type 2 diabetes. One defence expert concluded that he was "unlikely to make a full recovery while

the spectre of prosecution looms".

The judge noted that another defence expert "felt the defendant would have been unable to give evidence in his own defence" and would be unable to concentrate as the trial progressed. "In short, she

Mark Shelton, left, **Paul Barrington and** Andrew Wood, right waived anonymity

that "the defendant cannot now receive a fair trial". When the news was broken to the five complainants, its impact was shattering. One, Paul Barrington, 54, described "an overwhelming feeling of shock, anger and disbelief". Andrew Wood, 56, first told a clinical

psychologist in 2005 of being sexually abused as a child by his headmaster. He believes that all possibility of resolving the shame and insecurity that he has carried throughout his adult life was ended by the judge's ruling. "One of the police officers who'd dealt with our case phoned and said he wanted to come and speak with me. When he told me, it felt like the end of the world. The officer seemed as shocked as I was by the decision," he said.

The men's dismay turned to outrage when they later viewed the video footage of Mr Cope. In addition to his bravura performance at a concert in a Dorset parish church, he was seen showing visitors around his home, a water mill owned by the National Trust.

He was, he remarked, "far too busy to be ill". To the men still haunted by memories of the childhood abuse they claim to have suffered, this seemed a sudden and spectacular return to physical and intellectual fitness.

In July 2012, they received payments ranging from £5,000 to £60,000 when they accepted an offer to settle a civil claim against the school, which did not

admit liability.
Tettenhall College stressed yester-day that Mr Cope's alleged crimes happened more than 40 years ago. It said the safeguarding of its pupils in 2014 was "a priority". A recent school inspection found that its child protec-

tion procedures were good.

There remains little prospect of its former headmaster facing trial by jury. Mr Cope, a married father of two, is now 83 and said to be in poor health, but a CPS spokesman said last night that it would give "very careful consideration" to the April 2010 video footage "should the police wish to investigate the matter and refer the results to us"

Court papers reveal that within minutes of police arriving at his house in August 2006 to inform him that he was under arrest on suspicion of sexually abusing a child, Mr Cope held his head in his hands and told officers: "I just know that I've done things that I shouldn't have done in the past." He also spoke of living "with the burden of guilt". Though he has always denied

committing any of the alleged offences. Mr Cope seems likely to be allowed to go to his grave without being asked to explain those words. His solicitor, Julian Hardy, said

yesterday that anyone in possession of evidence they believed would justify a re-opening of the criminal proceedings eriminal proceedings against Mr Cope should seek permission from a High Court judge".

## Help me, I'm attracted to children, says man in TV show

Alex Spence Media Editor

A man will admit on television tonight that he is sexually attracted to children, in a plea for medical treatment to help others like him before they commit abuse.

-year-old, who is referred to only as "Eddie" but whose face is not obscured, admits to being aroused by girls as young as four but says that he has never committed any sex offences. He says he agreed to speak publicly to appeal for help for paedophiles before they become criminals. The Paedophile Next

Door, which will be broadcast on Channel 4 tonight, argues that child sex abuse in Britain has reached epidemic levels and that allowing paedophiles to seek medical help without fear of being vili-

fied would reduce the number of cases.
Channel 4 said it hoped that the programme would give viewers "pause for thought". Ian McFadyen, an abuse survivor who appears in the documentary, said many victims would be angered by calls for a more open attitude to those sexually attracted to children but that a change of approach was needed. "There are many Eddies out there. They're a ticking time bomb," he said. "I don't want to sit with paedophiles, I don't advocate for paedophiles, I feel wholly uncomfortable with them, but...the damage is done to me and my generation. What I don't want is that to keep occurring because we won't look at new ways and sit down with the offenders before they offend."

Eddie, who is taking part in a treatment programme abroad, says on camera that he realised when he was in his 20s that he was attracted to young girls as well as to adult women. He told the programme makers that because of

the "hysteria" around paedophiles he had struggled to find anyone to talk to about his condition and that it had driven him to contemplate suicide.

did not think that the defendant knew

what was going on."

The prosecution could offer little to

counter such evidence. Its medical ex-

pert who had examined Mr Cope a year

earlier, finding him fit for trial, was on

maternity leave by July 2009. Owing to

a mistake by the Crown Prosecution

Service, no replacement expert was found. The prosecution thus had no

recent assessment with which to chal-

lenge the defence's assertion of a significant deterioration in Mr Cope's health

The judge also gave considerable weight to the long passage of time — more than 35 years — since the offences were said to have taken place. This, he felt, created difficulties for the

former headmaster in challenging the

On those two grounds, he decided

over the preceding year.

He said that he had never acted on his attraction to young girls. "Going around abusing children is not acceptable, viewing images of child pornography is not acceptable, but people are just waiting for you to offend before they help you," he said. "If you don't have that option to come forward and say, 'Look, I have got a problem, I need help,' what are we changing?"

The documentary's producers said

that a scheme in Germany offered men like Eddie access to counselling and

medication to stop them offending.

Jon Brown, head of strategy and development at the NSPCC, said that Britain should introduce a similar system. "There are going to be men out there... who have some degree of sexual interest in children but are going to be able to manage it. There are sufficient inhibitors in place for them to know what they have got to lose, that it is not that strong and they can maintain a consenting adult relationship. They will probably be OK and not go on and offend.