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The first thing that comes to mind when I think of Baptist College - Victoria Ave days is...

1. Kevin Schulz. Kevin was Student President (I think) the year before we arrived and wrote us a lovely letter welcoming us to Baptist College. His generosity and pastoral care has remained as a model to me ever since.
2. Babies. Lots of them. Ours and others.

The funniest thing that I remember is...

1. Colin Pyle rolling the hired tractor over on a work day
2. The Peanut Butter Liberation Front kidnapping Dr Bob on the front steps of the big house during his Open Day speech.

The hardest thing about College or worst memory?

1. Weeks of chokos served every way but flavoursome for College lunches by Anne and Betty. Then discovering it was Bob Fergusson who was supplying them.
2. Being told at the door of the interview room that the Board had changed their mind and Robyn wouldn't be allowed to be part of my interview for College.



The most significant aspect of our years at College...

1. Relationships
2. Relationships. Lifelong friends were made.

What do I miss most or least?

1. Nothing. They were formative years. Very grateful for them

The thing about College that has helped me most in last 50 years is...

1. Relationships forged then
2. Learning to ask questions

A story from College days that I can recall to share?

1. This question makes it sound like I am losing my memory and will have trouble recalling anything!
2. What was the question?

Short synopsis of the past 45 years of our life and ministry...

From College to Wainoni Baptist (Pebblebrook 3 and 4) then to Wellington Central Baptist (Mainstage Festival 1, 2, 3. Robyn ECE training), interim at Lower Hutt Baptist, Auckland Baptist City Mission and City Mission Church which became Cityside Baptist, *Urban Seed* in Melbourne, Creation Care Study Program Auckland, World Vision New Zealand Christian Commitments Manager, Rhythms of Grace Church Auckland Lead Pastor & Curator and *Tea & Be* experiences (current). Robyn retired from ECE teaching two years ago.

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