



# *Tom Gilding, 1997*

**What Career are you in, and what sort of things does this entail?**

Veterinary surgeon, specifically small animal orthopaedics

**What inspired you to go into your chosen career?**

I always wanted to be a small animal surgeon. Initially I left Malbank for Liverpool university and studied for a degree in physiology before moving on to veterinary science as a second degree.

**What advice would you give to anyone interested in working in your career area?**

Be prepared to dedicate your life to your job, it's has to mean a lot more than just being the way you earn your living. It is a vocation and not for the faint hearted.

**What do you know now, that you wish you'd known when you were leaving Malbank?**

Sorry, I can't come up with anything that's really relevant. I suppose work hard, take as little debt as you can because it takes far longer than you think to repay!

***If you would like to get in touch with Matt to find out more about careers like this, please contact Mr Batty in the Sixth Form Office, or via Teams***