

Can St George's ever live down the murder of its headteacher? The results may surprise you

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## Britain

**'We English' by Simon Roberts**  
Chris Boot, £40  
Combining a Martin Parr-esque British wit with wide, open skies and an almost visible damp chill that are reminiscent of Mike McCartney's Liverpool photographs, 'We English' is the result of a year-long odyssey through England in, fittingly, a motor home. Picturing ordinary people doing curious things, Roberts looks for 'beauty in the mundane'. Pictured right: Derby Day, Epsom Race Course, Surrey, 7 June 2008 - known for 'a party atmosphere and the full range of social classes on view'.

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recognised this truth, itemising the traits caused by his "buggermania": "an estrangement, fear of people, shyness, immoderate bashfulness, mistrust..." He was, by all accounts, the kindest friend, as well as being a phenomenally prolific creator, conductor and teacher

## Memoir

# Courting

legal circuit, filled with his own hubris, who occasionally moonlights on the 6 O'Clock News as the great public defender of the age. Anyone you care to mention who has had a grievance against the state or big business, or who has appealed successfully against a convic-

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