

I think Graham is right -- they can't out you because of what they themselves have written about you.

Their project is in pieces, and that's why they have all this time on their hands to do this. They may have to join forces with mr Light. Mrs Bliss-Ninny may be sympatetic too, but she was pro-waldorf. Other than that, they don't seem to have much. Maybe they fear that those they had already interviewed (if they existed), would withdraw their participation.

From: **Melanie Byng** <melanie.byng@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Oct 14, 2011 at 12:36 PM

To: "alicia h." <zzzooney@gmail.com>

they don't have anything.

From what she said to me, it's quite usual for people to withdraw their support. She always described it as a surprise (one woman apparently threatened to sue them) but now we can see why that may happen.

Sam seems to think that I could diffuse the whole business by having a chat with Angel, I think she feels it's my fault for not talking to Angel after Joe got home. I can't get her to understand the pathology. It's very painful.

From: **alicia h.** <zzzooney@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Oct 14, 2011 at 12:45 PM

To: Melanie Byng <melanie.byng@gmail.com>

chatting with her is pointless -- the woman is self-obsessed and will never care for the perspective of the other person, even if you explain your thoughts and feelings. The only thing I could think of would be if you had written a short email saying you will break off contact and cannot help with the things you had initially said you'd help with. Just a neutral bye bye, sorry, can't do it, things got in between. But now that I write this, I get this feeling that you and R did write something, right in the beginning of this affair? In any case, that's the only thing I can think of, and I'm not sure it would have made any difference. Chatting, not. How do you chat with someone who is full of ultimatums and threats? I'm sure it would be possible to chat with Steve, he's not got her pathology -- but not as long as he's under the angelic spell.

I totally see why that would happen (the withdrawals)... if you do a film like that, confidence is everything. I suspect Angel is surprised a lot -- because she seems to get into trouble with people a lot... and never is it her fault ;-)

From: **Melanie Byng** <melanie.byng@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Oct 14, 2011 at 1:05 PM

To: "alicia h." <zzzooney@gmail.com>

borderline... they threaten suicide too, and she may have threatened other things, which is why Steve may not want to risk leaving the children with her if he's ever thought of escaping.

I did write the email - I sent you a copy. Diana wondered what the consequences of that would be. Everything we did had a consequence. Not doing anything had a consequence. Not only regarding her - you have to remember that Joe is also involved - that being conciliatory towards her was to suggest that his experience was not valid, that his feelings could be sacrificed for the sake of hers. At the time particularly this was something we couldn't do, he was more important. And if I had written anything conciliatory then, they would be using that against me now.

From: **alicia h.** <zzzoey@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Oct 14, 2011 at 1:18 PM
To: Melanie Byng <melanie.byng@gmail.com>

Yes -- I thought I remember something like that happening long ago. I located it and refreshed my memory. I thought then and I still think that's a good letter. Have you showed it to Sam? I don't honestly know what else I would do with such a person as Angel -- except announce my intention to avoid further contact. She is not even entitled to know the reasons for it.

From: **Melanie Byng** <melanie.byng@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Oct 14, 2011 at 1:33 PM
To: "alicia h." <zzzoey@gmail.com>

Yep - she isn't. I did send it to Sam. I think she thought it was not conciliatory enough, or too confrontational. She feels, I think, that it was initially my business to sort it out so that others didn't have to become involved. She is afraid of the consequences. She is so good a friend in other ways, I just have to accept that this is what she thinks.

From: **alicia h.** <zzzoey@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Oct 14, 2011 at 2:03 PM
To: Melanie Byng <melanie.byng@gmail.com>

tricky, but I'm sure it will be ok in the end. She'll understand. I think. Sometimes being more conciliatory is not an option.

And in a way it isn't entirely your business -- their behaviour follows a pattern, and they're (at least pretending to be) making a film that will involve people who may get hurt in the process, because of this behaviour. Sure, the situation you ended up in is a bit different -- but the pattern in their behaviour is pretty consistent, and that's what makes them a risk to everyone.

Again, it's the same way as with Lichte -- there's a pattern, and it repeats itself, and lots of people have to put up with his behaviour, no matter how conciliatory they've been. People who try to be diplomatic, find themselves being the target of abuse too, sooner or later. Sadly.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **alicia h.** <zzzooney@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Sep 20, 2012 at 10:47 PM
Subject: Re: This is bristol
To: Melanie Byng <melanie.byng@gmail.com>
Cc: Sam

I should be asleep because I'm catching a boat back to town early tomorrow... But I'm typing ideas on the phone, in the dark, instead. Forgot pen and paper downstairs and it would be a canineosophical sin to wake mr D up.

My french is rotten. I actually did read Le Petit Prince once, long ago, and learnt some french from it. Knew nothing when I started. Limited vocabulary...

On 20 Sep 2012 23:32, "Melanie Byng" <melanie.byng@gmail.com> wrote:
Cathy's French is better than ours!

that's a good idea -

On Thu, Sep 20, 2012 at 10:09 PM, alicia h. <zzzooney@gmail.com> wrote:

Btw, I'm going to write a blog post about him being taken to court. I'm already trying to come up with ideas, it must be made as powerful as I can. This could provide opportunity to test reactions.

On 20 Sep 2012 22:43, "alicia h." <zzzooney@gmail.com> wrote:

I wonder if it isn't best to treat this as a confidence thing, not open a donation account and make it complicated. If we can get enough anyway, I think it's better not to complicate things.

Your worries apart from that are very real. (Except -- they can't demand anything from a translation that is the work of someone else, and unless G or the org unadfi have signed away the rights to them, they can demand nothing. They can be unbearably nasty, however.)

On 20 Sep 2012 22:30, "Sam" wrote:
is there any news on the translation?
Surely if Andy asks Singh he'd agree, the doc could be in the public domain by the end of next week.

I think we should try pushing for an account to donate asap,
I guess the difficulty with that is if the account goes public, it's going
to get nasty. I worry it will prompt A and S to promote their translation,
I imagine they'll also try and make out they were the original source
and demand royalties or something. Plus when the genuine translation
comes out Angel will be furious, cue more pages and films ranting about
critics which could potentially include Gregoire. they could seriously derail
things for him.

On Thu, Sep 20, 2012 at 9:08 PM, Melanie Byng <melanie.byng@gmail.com> wrote:
I agree, it's extremely unfortunate. Unless there's another translation soon it will be impossible to discuss his
case without confronting what they're doing.

that's very odd. But we have it anyway...

On Thu, Sep 20, 2012 at 9:01 PM, [REDACTED] wrote:
I worry they're going to seriously undermine his case, does
he realise how dangerous they are? He may need to consider
legal action himself..

I've just had a look for the halfwayhouse site and it's
disappeared off google, I didn't think it was possible to remove
something completely and for it to happen that quick

<http://www.savethehalfwayhouse.com/>

On Thu, Sep 20, 2012 at 8:55 PM, Melanie Byng <melanie.byng@gmail.com> wrote:
I don't know if they're translating more, I just see loads of tweets with them citing his work (I don't look at it)
Cathy told me today that they've started laying in to Richard. Richard laughed.

On Thu, Sep 20, 2012 at 8:38 PM, Melanie Byng <melanie.byng@gmail.com> wrote:

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Melanie Byng <melanie.byng@gmail.com>
To: Andy Lewis <andy@scali-lewis.net>

29 February 2012 12:38

I don't believe Steiner schools are riddled with racism and bullying, but we have never said they are. There is more overt racism in many other schools, and just as much bullying. We are concerned that some of Steiner's race doctrines are racist and that many teachers believe Steiner was a seer. They think the doctrines are benign, and can't see a problem. Maura Kwaten, whose British/Ghanaian daughter was at Kings Langley Steiner school, said she preferred ordinary racism to this covert, intrusive 'spiritual' racism.

The role of karma is well established, and I'm certain it is sometimes played out in the odd decisions Steiner teachers make about children. I've often read or heard accounts of apparently unchecked bullying amongst quite small children in Steiner kindergartens, as well as with older children. But it's often hard to tell if karma plays a part, or if it's incompetence, or the kids are bored. Steiner parents are often very judgemental in my experience, and I bet a great deal of behaviour is a reflection of various hierarchies elsewhere. Many of the teachers are on the edge of leaving/breakdown/hallucinating, and that IS from personal experience.

In the case of AG - we took it on faith that her daughter had been bullied and were initially sympathetic, but we couldn't of course use her assertions as evidence. To confuse matters, there's also a problem with bullying within NZ culture which is widely acknowledged. In this case it seems now rather more likely that Angel and Steve were bullying the school.

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To: Andy Lewis <andy@scali-lewis.net>

29 February 2012 12:51

and here is one of the very few Steiner training courses: The London Waldorf Seminar - Steiner education teacher training

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Andy Lewis <andy@scali-lewis.net>
To: Melanie Byng <melanie.byng@gmail.com>

29 February 2012 15:09

Thanks. Just wanted to check he was not part of the personality disorder team.

>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> with the yam, as far as her 'journalistic' career goes.
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>>
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> The LSN really shouldn't have published Angel's new
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> post.
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> I'm
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> sure
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> they know why now -- she's probably been emailing them
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> for
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> days.
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> Ranting ranting ranting.
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>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> On 30 March 2012 00:03, Melanie Byng
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> <melanie.byng@gmail.com>
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> wrote:
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > yes, Jan Murray. The woman who used to work for
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Triodos
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Bank.
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > And Alice
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Woolley is the Guardian education editor - there seem
>>> >> >>>>>>>>> > to
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>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > of them,
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Jeevan Vasager is the bloke the BHA deal with. I
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > suspect
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Woolley's on the
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > less serious side. But she is on holiday atm and
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Murray
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > has
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > taken her place,
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > which Sam was v worried about. Murray has blocked both
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > of
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>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Journalism is a small world though. Angel has freaked
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > out
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Francis Gilbert
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > and Fiona Millar at the LSN. Both write for the
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Guardian.
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > There
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > was a big
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > Guardian open festival last weekend, with lots of
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > journos
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > meeting and
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > discussing and debating. So who knows what got about.
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>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > On Thu, Mar 29, 2012 at 10:49 PM, alicia h.
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > <zzzoey@gmail.com>
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> > wrote:
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>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> >> her suffering is the greatest on this earth. But
>> >>> >> >>>>>>>>> >> money