

Creating an animated banner using GIMP

For use in GCSE and Key Stage 3

ICT

Section A – Layer 1

Section B – Layer 2

Section C – Layer 3

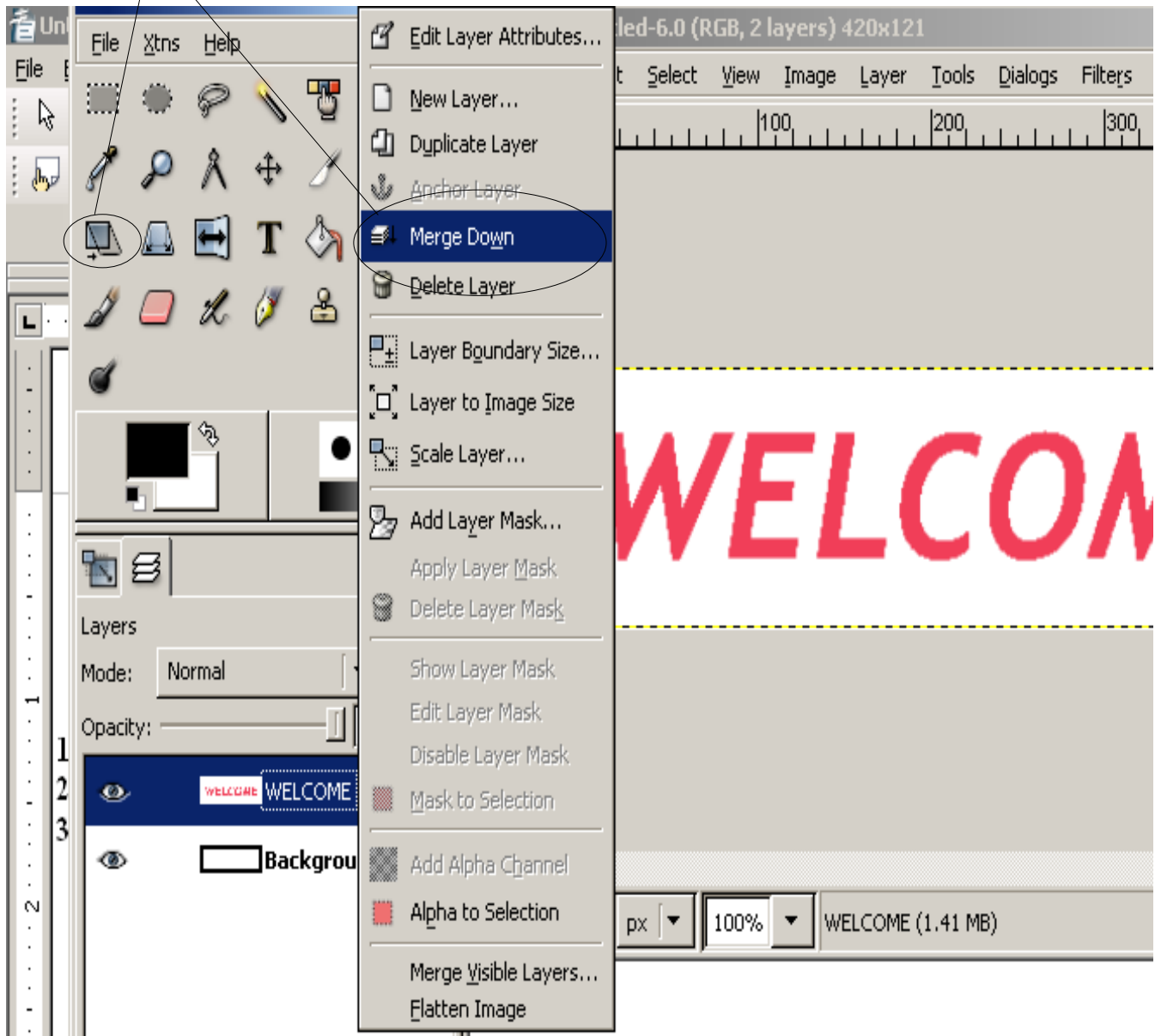
Section D - Animation

The following example is a demonstration of how to make an animated web banner. The example can be adapted for any animation.

The program used is called GIMP. It is an open source program and can be downloaded free of charge at www.gimp.org

Section A

- 1) Open gimp and make a new file with the dimensions 700 by 120
- 2) Create new white layer (layer – new layer – choose white)
- 3) Choose your own font and and type “welcome”.
- 4) use scale icon to resize
- 5) merge down when finished



Section B

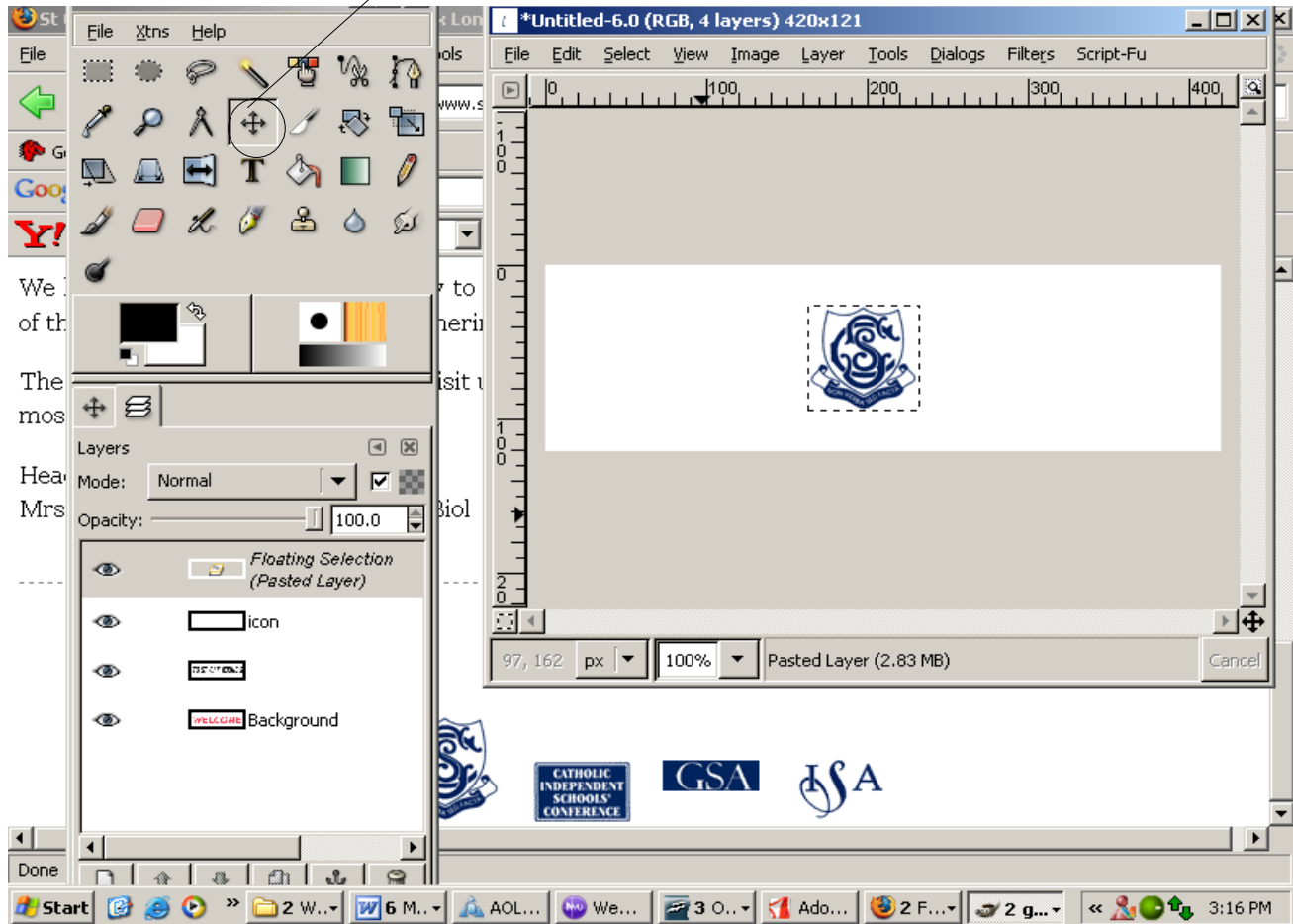
Now we are going to make our second layer.

1. Create new white layer (layer – new layer – choose white)
2. Choose your own font and type “TO ST CATHERINE'S”.
3. use scale icon to resize



Section C

1. Copy picture from St Catherine's website
2. Make new layer and paste icon
3. Re-positioning icon used move tool (resize if necessary)

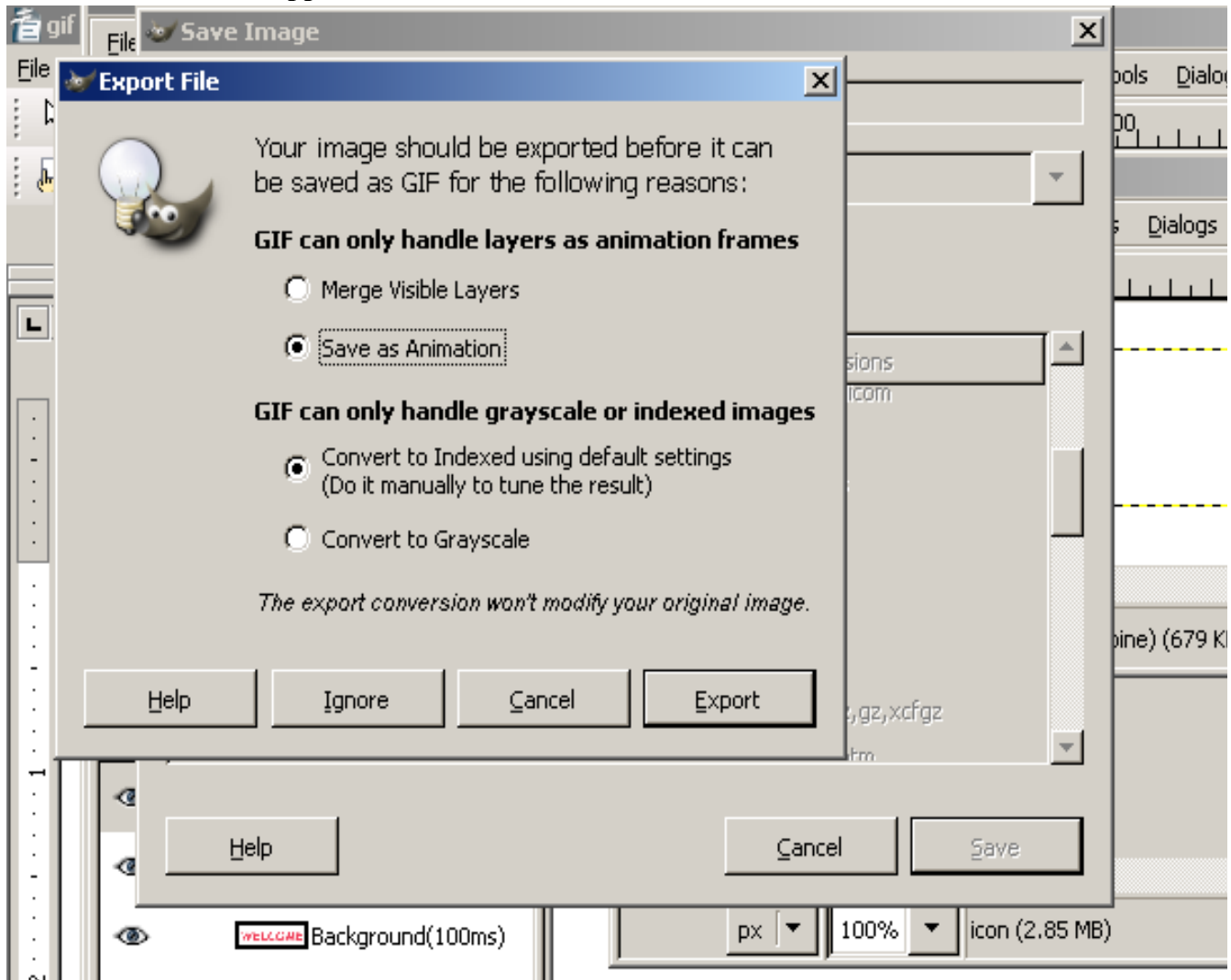


4. Anchor layer when ready (layer – anchor layer)

Section D

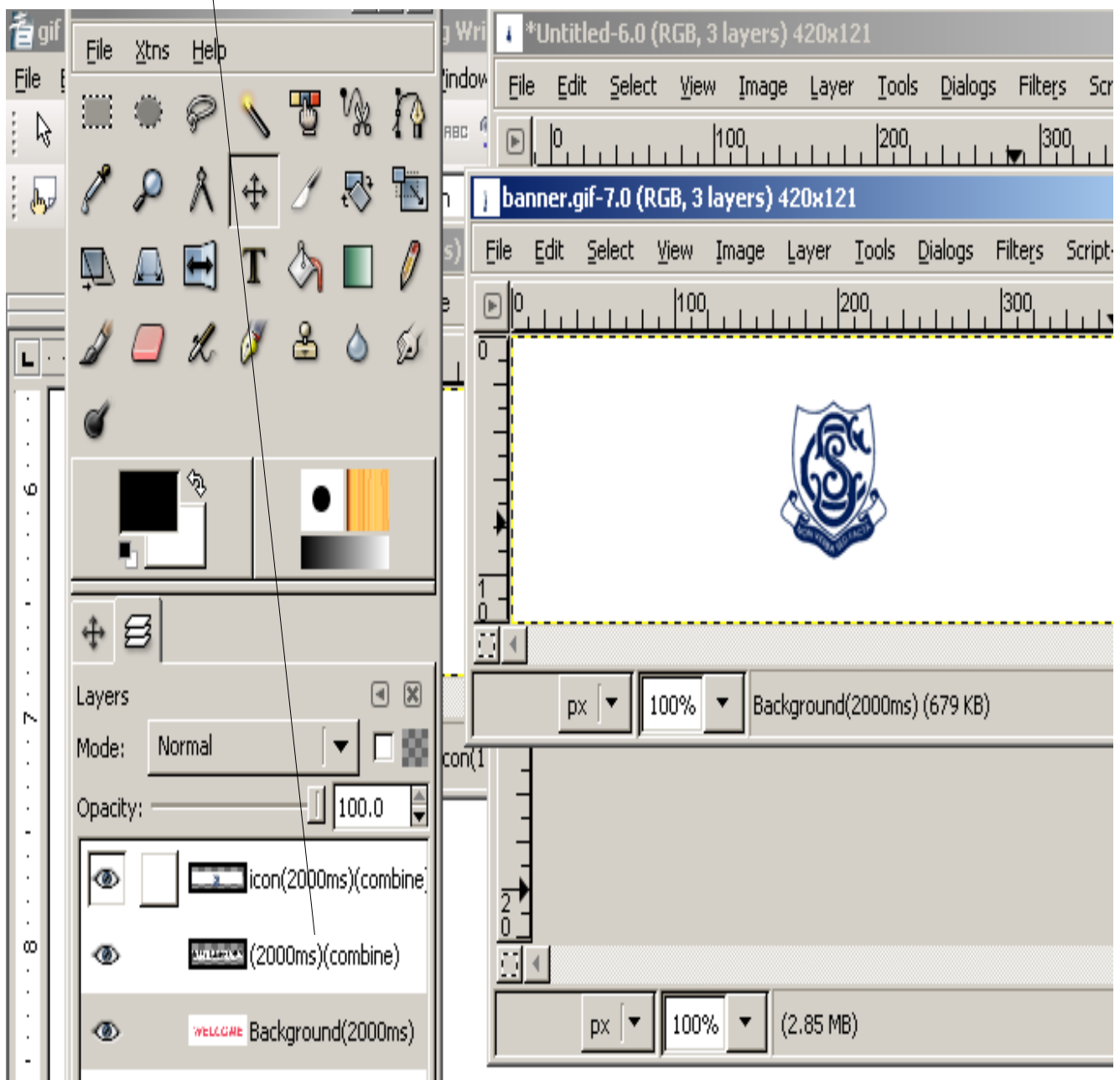
Now we are ready to make a simple GIF animation

1. First of all save your work in GIMP in case you need to make further changes
2. Go to Filters, choose Animation, Choose GIF animation
3. A new wizard appears. Save as Animation



4. Try it out on a browser – it will go too fast to be of any use

5. Finally go back and change speeds on all 3 layers to 2000



6. Experiment in browser until speeds are correct.