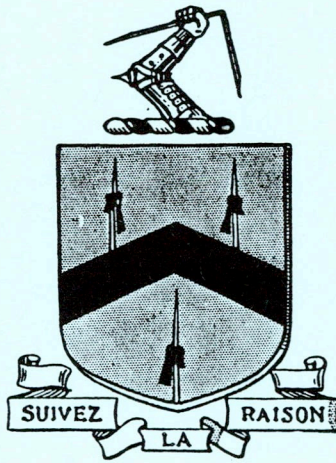


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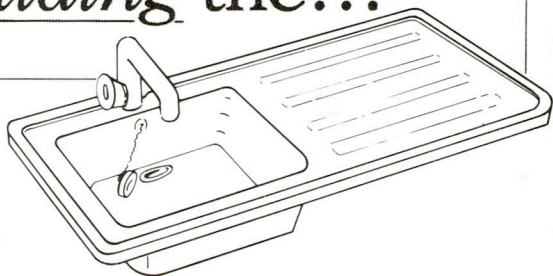
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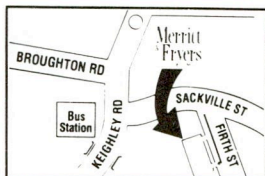


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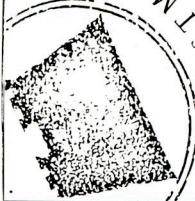
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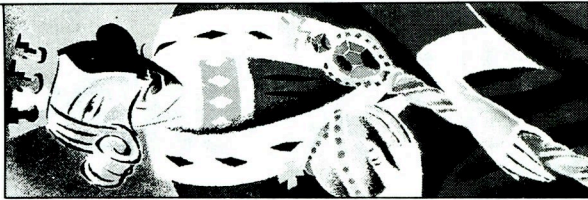
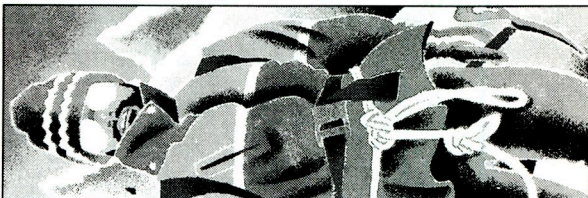
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AVE M.C.B.

Mr. Bendall was born in Shipley, W. Yorks and lived in Baildon for much of his early life, being educated at Salt's Grammar School. He then went on to Imperial College, London where he took a degree in Physics, then moving to Chelmsford, Essex where he trained as an engineer with English Electric Valve Co. A change in career brought him via Cambridge University to Skipton, where his wife also teaches at the Girls' High School. He has a wide range of interests, including DIY, winemaking, photography, cooking and the odd jog. He and his wife also lead a youth group at St. Andrew's Church.

AVE R.J.C.

R.J.C. first saw the light of day in Warrington (Lancs.) in September 1962, but took up Yorkshire citizenship in 1981. He was educated at the Birkenhead School, Merseyside and went on to read Modern Languages and Literatures (German and Italian) at Leeds University. He began his professional life training as a chartered accountant but found the atmosphere frustratingly lacking in any opportunities to use the languages he had so much enjoyed acquiring. After a period spent working for Leeds City Council he entered the teaching profession and has never regretted his decision for a single moment. He lists his hobbies as learning and using foreign languages, choral singing travel, cinema, outdoor pursuits and creative arts in the broadest sense.

AVE S.S.

Mr. Speak arrived in September and is to teach Biology—he was born in Sowerby Bridge, W. Yorks and educated in Harrogate and York's Archbishop Holgate's G.S. His degree at Newcastle University was in Biochemistry. His interests include all kinds of sport especially middle and long distance running. He joins us from Doncaster where he taught for 3 years. He looks forward to contributing much to the School both in Science and on the games field.

AVE N.W.

Mr. Wallace joined the CDT Department in September 1989. He trained originally as a Marine Engineer and went on to work for a D.I.Y. company as an interior designer. In 1985 he returned to college to obtain his Teaching Certificate. After its completion, he took up a teaching post at Pudsey Grangefield School. Mr. Wallace joins us from Rongotai College, New Zealand where he was teaching CDT and Mathematics. Interests include Rugby, Golf and Fishing.

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 Hussain, A. M. (Ermysted)
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He came as a boy to the School during the Great War; leaving in 1924, he qualified as a Chartered Accountant, later becoming a founding Partner of the firm of Coe & Midgley and for many years was Chairman of the Craven Herald.

Throughout his long life he was active in the Old Boys' Society becoming its Treasurer in 1932 and serving as Chairman in 1945, at which time following the 1944 Education Act, he became one of the first Foundation Governors on the assumption of the School's aided status. Following the retirement of Colonel Longden-Smith as Chairman of the Board of Governors in 1960 he was elected Chairman in his place and retained that position by annual elections until he retired in 1978, continuing as a Governor until a few short years ago. During his period as a Governor he was involved with and instrumental in the appointment of three Headmasters and a dedicated protagonist in maintaining all that was best in Ermysted's tradition. He was a forceful opponent of all who sought by whatever means to prejudice the School's Grammar School aided status and when the law changed, briefly forcing Comprehensive Education on all, he continued the fight to provide the best education possible for all boys within the area. Happily the law changed again before the changes had been imposed at Ermysted's, when he was naturally delighted to support at the first opportunity a withdrawal from that commitment and to maintain what he knew and loved.

His accomplishments were many and varied, being Cross-Country Champion at School, a violinist of no mean ability, having in the early days accompanied silent films at a local cinema with his brother. His service to the community showed its public face through the Rotary Club of Skipton and on the Local Bench. Ermysted's owes him a debt of gratitude.

"The memory of the just shall remain forever".

R.L.W.

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Vale J.R.C.

John Clemitson arrived from the North East in 1986 and has been a well respected member of the Maths Department for the last four years. Renowned for his computer know-how he has successfully managed to instruct both pupils and staff in the intricacies of Modern Technology. Indeed he was so successful with English and Modern Language departments that recently he has had difficulty finding computer time for himself.

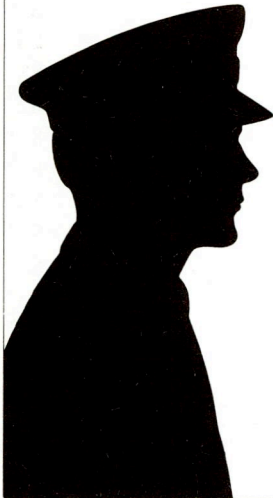
He will be remembered especially by the staff for the time his impeccable fashion sense let him down at a farewell party and his refereeing of six-a-side soccer during thunderstorms.

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Brennan M. J.	6MA	E	83 ³
Brown N. E.	6MA	T	84 ³
Burnett R.	5W	E	85 ³
Cartman C. L.	5W	E	85 ³
Cartman S. R.	6MA	E	83 ³
Catto P.	6SB	T	86 ³
Coates B. P.	5X	H	83 ³
Collier J. R.	5C	P	85 ³
Cowley R. W.	6MA	T	82 ³
Crabtree A. M.	6SA	E	85 ³
Dobson D. J.	6SA	E	83 ³
Drinkwater I.	5X	H	85 ³
Dunderdale S.	6SA	P	83 ³
Ellwood P. F.	6SA	T	83 ³
Feather D.	6SA	P	83 ³
Foster R. W.	6SA	T	83 ³
Geddes J. A. M.	6SA	T	83 ³
Gibson A. W. C.	6MA	T	88 ³
Gilbert J. M.	6SA	E	83 ³
Green B.	6MA	T	83 ³
Groarke P. F.	1P	T	89 ³
Harrison M. S.	6MA	E	88 ³
Harrison R. S.	6SA	P	83 ³
Heselton O.	6SA	H	83 ³
Hodgson D.	5X	T	85 ³
Holland P. B. M.	6MA	E	83 ³
Holliday G.	6MA	E	83 ³
Holmes M. J.	6SA	P	83 ³
Illingworth C. J.	6MA	P	86 ²
Longmate A. J.	6SA	E	83 ³
Lord J.A.O.	6SA	H	83 ³
McDuff M.	5C	H	85 ⁵
Mansfield J. A.	6MA	P	83 ³
Mansfield A. R.	6SB	P	85 ³
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Moorby D. J.	6MA	E	83 ³
North D.	6MA	T	83 ³
Parker C. E.	6SA	E	84 ³
Patrick W. R.	5W	T	89 ³
Peyton D. G. L.	6MA	E	83 ³
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Rankin A. P.	6SA	P	83 ³
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Richards T.	6SA	P	83 ³
Roberts D. L.	6SA	H	83 ³
Roe A. M.	6SA	T	88 ³
Rowland P. B.	6SA	H	83 ³
Russell B. S.	6SA	T	83 ³
Sanders S. J.	6SA	T	83 ³
Scarborough L. J.	6SA	P	83 ³
Sims M. S.	6SA	H	83 ³
Smith J. P.	5X	P	84 ³
Smith N. A.	6SA	H	83 ³
Tattersall R. D.	6MA	E	83 ³
Thirkettle J. E.	6SA	T	83 ³
Thompson J. M.	6SA	T	84 ²
Thornton S. T.	6SA	H	88 ³
Towler R.	6SA	T	83 ³
Trigg C. M.	6SA	H	85 ¹
Walker D. J.	6MA	T	86 ³
Walker R. A.	6SA	H	83 ³
Walton R.	6SA	H	84 ³
Webster P. D.	6SA	P	83 ³
Whitaker R. O.	6SA	P	83 ³
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Whittaker D. J.	6SA	H	83 ³
Willson R. C.	6SA	T	83 ³
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T. Ejaz, ch*; A. M. Roe, Ma.

G.C.E., ADVANCED LEVEL RESULTS, 1990

Form 6SA (B): N.S. Bhagat gs, t*, cy, n*: D.J. Dobson gs, t*, m, p: D.E. Feather gs*, m*, fm*, p*, cy*: J.A.M. Geddes gs*, m*, fm*, p*, cy*: O. Heselton gs, des tech: M. J. Holmes t, p, cy: J. R. Martin gs, t*, q*, m: J. W. Miller gs, p, cy: C. E. Parker gs, p, cy: A.P. Rankin gs*, m*, fm, p*, cy*: J.R. Rawstron gs, t, m, p: A.M. Roe t, des tech: S.J. Sanders gs*, m, p, cy: L.J. Scarborough gs*, t*, m*, p*: M.S. Sims gs, t*, m, p: N.A. Smith gs, m, p*, cy: J.E. Thirkettle gs*, m*, fm, p*, cy*: J.M. Thompson gs, m, fm, p, cy: S.T. Thornton gs, m*, fm, p*, cy: R.A. Walker gs*, t*, m, p: R. Walton gs*, t, p: P.D. Webster gs, t*, q*, m: O.R. Whitaker m, p, des tech: R.C. Willson gs, q: D.W. Wilson gs*, m, p, des tech: I.K. Wrightson q, p:

Form 6SA (P): T.B.C. Bramley m*, p*, cy*: A.M. Crabtree gs, t, n: S. Dunderdale gs, t, q: P.F. Ellwood gs, m, p, n: R.W. Foster gs, t, cy, n: J.M. Gilbert t*, q*, n: S.R. Harrison gs, t, cy, n: A.J. Longmate gs, t*, cy*, n*: J.A.C. Lord gs, t, q, m: S.R. Marshall gs*, p*, cy*, n*: E.J.W. Pickles gs, p, cy, n: T.D. Richards gs, dg: D.L. Roberts gs*, t*, m, cy: P.B. Rowland gs, p, cy, n: B.S. Russell gs, p*, cy*, n*: R. Towler gs, t*, cy, n: C.M. Trigg gs, t, cy, n: D.J. Whittaker gs*, lt, t*, q*:

Form 6MA: M.J. Brennan gs, hy, t*, q: N.E. Brown lt, hy, q: S.R. Cartman gs: A.W.C. Gibson gs, t, q: M.S. Harrison gs, q, g: P.B.M. Holland gs* lt*, q: J.G. Holliday gs, t, q: C.J. Illingworth gs: B. Loveday gs, hy*, t*, q*: J.A. Mansfield gs, q, fr: D.J. Moorby gs, hy, fr, g: D. North gs, lt*, hy*, t*: D.G.L. Peyton gs, t, q, fr: R.D. Tattersall gs, t, q, g: D.J. Walker gs*, hy, t, g: C.S. Whiteley lt*, hy*, fr*.

Key to subject letters: cy = Chemistry; des tech = Design and Technology; dg = Art and Design; fm = Further Mathematics; fr = French; g = German; gs = General Studies; hy = History; lt = English Literature; m = Mathematics; n = Biology; p = Physics; q = Economics; t = Geography; * = Grade A pass.

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MAIN DATES DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR

AUTUMN TERM

September 5, 1989	Start of Term
September 8, 1989	Joint Dedication Service
October 20-29, 1989	Half Term Holiday
November 10, 1989	Remembrance Service
November 29, 30 and December 1, 1989 and December 2, 1989	School Play
December 9, 1989	Founders' Day
December 19, 1989	Christmas concert
December 20, 1989	End of Term

SPRING TERM

January 4, 1990	Start of Term
February 14, 1990	Cross Country Races
February 19-23, 1990	Half Term Holiday
April 3, 1990	Swimming Gala
April 5, 1990	Music Concert
April 6, 1990	End of Term

SUMMER TERM

April 24, 1990	Start of Term
May 7, 1990	May Day Holiday
May 23 - June 1, 1990	Half Term Holiday
June 27, 1990	School Exams began
July 6, 1990	Sports Day
July 7, 1990	Parents' Association Summer Fayre
July 10, 1990	Speech Day and Summer Concert
July 20, 1990	End of Term

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Founders' Day Service

December 10th, 1989

A beautiful window depicting Skipton's Ermysted's Grammar School emblem in stained glass, was dedicated by the Rector, the Rev. Donald Aldred, at the annual Founders' Day service held in Holy Trinity Parish Church on Saturday. It is in memory of the late Mr. Jack Eastwood, headmaster from 1957-72, and is the gift of the Old Boys' Society. The residue of the money is to be used to provide prizes in his memory.

The address at the service was given for the first time for very many years by one who is himself an old boy. Father Trevor Vaughan, now Vicar of Settle, was at school in the fifties, and in a powerful address brought gales of laughter as he spoke about the significance of the school cap, now an abandoned piece of equipment, but ended with a punchline which must surely have made even the most cynical stop and think.

Mr. Eastwood's widow, Peggy, and his daughter, were at the service, and afterwards Mrs. Eastwood said she was thrilled with it and with the gift, which is a tangible and visible sign of the strong link which has existed down the centuries between church and school.

Mr. Eastwood loved the school, and after his retirement maintained very close links with it. Mr. Aldred declared that he regarded it as both a privilege and a pleasure to have the opportunity of dedicating the window and thanking the Old Boys for their generous gift. It helped to cement the close association which had always existed between the two organisations.

Father Vaughan first dealt humorously with the part a cap had played in the life of every schoolboy when they were an essential part of school uniform, and to be seen without one, even in town, meant instant detention. He produced a Craven cap, and regretted the "death" of that House, sure that with its passing the school would be poorer.

He went on to draw attention to other purposes for which caps were used, as marks of distinction — boys were capped at school, men at rugby, cricket or football. Then there was another type of cap, a crown, often jewelled worn by heads of state or, in the case of Jesus, a crown of thorns. Yet it was the message which had passed down the centuries by him and his followers which was as relevant today as it had ever been. He wore his crown of thorns on the Cross, when he died to save mankind — and that, declared "caps 'em all!"

The school brass band played Elgar's "Nimrod" suite from the Enigma variations before the service began, and during the service assisted in accompanying some of the hymns, as did the school orchestra. The latter accompanied the choir in the anthem "For the Beauty of the Earth," by John Rutter. Head boy Lindon Scarborough, read a lesson, and at his request a retiring collection was taken for the Younger Disabled Unit based at Skipton General Hospital. That produced £317.50, which has subsequently been made up to £325 by the school.

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ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY DINNER

Guest speaker at the Old Boys dinner, held in the Memorial Hall in the evening was Anthony Brown, one of four brothers who attended school, and who were present to hear Anthony, an obstetrician and gynaecologist with the Cumbrian Health Authority based in Carlisle, make a call for a greater degree of kindness and loving care in the future. He admired all the other qualities of loyalty, courage, team work and so on, which were always used in connection with the school, but felt there was also room for more kindness in today's society.

He had researched back numbers of the Chronicles to learn something of what past

old boys had had to say in his position. He had noted the considerable number of journalists who had been chief guests in recent times.

Headmaster Mr. David Buckroyd, in his report, referred to the loss of Messrs. Jenkinson and Williamson, and of Mr. Wally Evans, to whom tribute has been paid previously in our columns. Also Mr. Peter Clark, the long-serving caretaker, had decided to hang up his brush on reaching the age of 65. The loss of 140 years service simultaneously had torn the heart out of the school, but the new senior management team was already in place. It comprised Mike Bingham, David Higson, Delme Thomas and Ian Douglass. They appreciated they had a difficult act to follow.

Closing of the boarding house had allowed the school to reorganise and redevelop its teaching provision, and he outlined what shape that would take, and went on to point out that the curriculum had been much influenced by the Technical and Vocational Education Initiative which covered the 14-18 age range, and by the advent of the National Curriculum which was already on stream in the Maths and Science departments. They had enhanced their Languages department with 1992 in mind. They also now had a very sophisticated Information and Technology facility which was the envy of their neighbours.

The headmaster went on to deal with the plethora of new initiatives in education, and of the way teachers were meeting together to cross-fertilise their ideas and share best practices, proof that they had a common purpose to serve the children of Skipton and district to the best of their abilities.

Congratulating the Old Boys on their successes over school at cricket, golf and rugby, he said they had a significant part to play in strong traditions which didn't change. The Governors, under the leadership of Roger Whittaker, had escaped the wholesale reconstruction to which most state schools had been subjected and although the representation had been diminished by the loss of Keith Schofield, Harry Crabtree and Guy Schofield, the inclusion of Michael Harrison had, to some degree, redressed the balance. All Governors, staff and the Parents's Association had a vested interest in preserving what was good about the school, but it was the succeeding generation of boys who gave them their *raison d'être*.

In performance terms, the senior boys had again done them proud, even if not quite matching last year's outstanding results. At A level, the pass rate was 77.6%, with no fewer than 50 sixth form leavers having started out on degree courses, including three at Oxford or Cambridge. In the Geography and Economics department there had not been a single failure with 15 grade As out of 28 in geography, 12 out of 19 in economics. The second run-through of the GCSE produced results only less noteworthy than the first. An 87.2% overall pass rate, with the biology department producing 78 entries, 78 passes, including 45 grade As, 29 Bs and four Cs.

He refuted any suggestion that the boys were lighthouses in the Pennines, "bright but bloody useless," for almost all played an invaluable part in sporting, cultural and extra-curricular activities, which led Mr. Buckroyd on to the school's performances in various sporting activities. It resulted in a school life which was rich and varied, and again the Head outlined the many organisations with which pupils were associated, and charities they had assisted. "Many is the time I marvel at the ingenuity and unquenchable spirit of our young generation and admire the dedicated professionalism and sheer hard work of my colleagues on the teaching and ancillary staff," Mr. Buckroyd declared. His job was one of the most satisfying in the state sector of education, but a well maintained machine which had been running for close on 500 years needed nothing more than a touch of oil now and then, while people connected with the school, young and old, guaranteed that secure and permanent foundation which was proof against unwelcome change.

Mr. Len Price, chairman of the Old Boys' Society, presided at the dinner, and first

invited members to stand in silent tribute to those who had passed away since last they met. He also added the thanks of the Society to those members of staff who were retiring after such long and faithful service.

Speech Day

July 10, 1990

A pledge that as long as the law allowed, the Governors of Ermysted's Grammar School, Skipton, would "use every means at our disposal to maintain the school as a selective school" was given by Mr. Roger Whittaker, chairman, at Speech Day held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday.

Chief guest was Mr. Wally Evans, a master at the school for 40 years until his retirement last summer. It was an honour he greatly appreciated, he said, and for the first time he revealed publicly why he had stayed at the school for so long. He had been at a good school in Gloucester, but when he came to Ermysted's he found a desire to ensure ever-improving academic standards but also to place emphasis on music, drama and sport, notably rugby. It was a job which it seemed had been specially made for him. It had always been a happy school with a happy staff, and he had had the privilege of working with wonderful colleagues. In particular, he paid tribute to the late Mr. Jimmy Harrison, and used letters he, and Mr. Ian Douglass, had written to outside agencies to prove the fun there had been among the staff.

All had been dedicated, some inspirational, but it was pupils who made a school and he suggested that nowhere in the world would better be found than those of Skipton and Craven.

And he had advice for them. Work hard, play hard, and grab whatever opportunities came their way.

For perhaps the first time ever a chief guest was accorded a standing ovation. It was as much a spontaneous tribute from staff, governors, parents and pupils to a man who served the school magnificently, as an appreciation of his speech; that, however, broke the mould of frequent mediocrity. Wally was what Wally has always been — his own man with no pretensions to by anything else.

Mr. Michael Harrison a governor at the school and son-in-law of Mr. Evans proposed a vote of thanks to him, which was seconded by head boy Linton Scarborough.

Mr. Whittaker again drew attention to the fact that in 1992, they would celebrate the 500th anniversary of the death of their original founder. 1992 would be significant for that, but also for other things, such as European unity and possible electoral and political changes. It would be crucial for Skipton if they were to retain the ancient Free Grammar School in the style to which it had become accustomed.

The chairman also stressed that the school was open to suitably qualified boys who lived within reasonable daily travelling distance, and he would particularly wish to encourage applicants from parents outside the administrative county of North Yorkshire to consider sending their boys to the school if they felt they would benefit from a traditional grammar school education. "We are disappointed by the relatively low entry at first form level next year, particularly bearing in mind the greater number of girls assessed suitable for the High School," he continued. "I do not believe, and will not be convinced, that there is a fundamental difference in the intelligence of boys and girls at the age of 11 and so an important part of our work in the near future is to look at fairer ways of assessing boys at 11 who wish to attend Ermysted's, while safeguarding the standards. We hope to maintain an entry of the top 30 per cent from the area and those of equivalent ability from outside."

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He ended with a tribute to the staff, and head, Mr. David Buckroyd, in particular for his care, efficiency and expertise.

The Headmaster, Mr. Buckroyd, in his address, said the 1990s would present education with unimagined challenges. No one could predict the impact of a change of Government upon the style of education when fiscal policy and financial restrictions blunted the edge of electioneering hyperbole and when they had sufficient problems grappling with known developments to worry unduly about the long-term future.

He, too, referred to 1992, and said it would be a year of celebration and commemoration for the school, and they would be calling on all for their backing and probably financial support in the near future.

At all levels, change and restructuring was in the air, and Mr. Buckroyd said that, in his view, the Education Reform Act was basically flawed in that it imposed on all schools a uniform pattern of provision, controlled from the centre. How could the level of provision be of a uniformly high standard when the needs of a rural grammar school were so patently different from those of an inner city comprehensive or a tiny primary school?

At the sharp end, they were getting lost in forests of paperwork, much of it unnecessary and all dressed in bureaucratic or legalistic terminology. It wearied the teacher and kept him or her out of the classroom.

Yet he was determined that current and future boys at the school would not be shunted into sidings by the Reform Act, or any other legislation. The boys would be their number one priority, though he was sure they would meet other demands on time. If not, they would have to wait and with luck some may fade away completely.

After outlining changes in the staff, alterations to buildings, academic successes including six places to Oxbridge, sporting and musical achievements, and extra-curricular activities including charity work, Mr. Buckroyd said that as a grammar school for boys only, they were unique in North Yorkshire. It would be folly, however, to foster an ivory tower, elitist philosophy. They had all to make their way in the conventional world.

They encouraged visits from all and gained from cross fertilisation between schools and colleges at all levels. They also benefited from support of the Parents' Association and Old Boys' Society, the latter having financed a stained glass memorial window in memory of former headmaster Mr. Jack Eastwood, whose wife was present.

He ended, "Whatever the challenges facing us here in the 1990s however the delivery of secondary education is to be reshaped by national or county edict, we shall continue to place at the top of our priority list the specific needs of our own highly talented young people. Without them, we wouldn't be here; without their skills the nation's future would be bleak. We owe them the best we can offer, and nothing less."

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E.G.S. SPEECH DAY



Mr. J. Spencer, Head Boy, Linton Scarborough, Mr. Whittaker,
Mr. Buckroyd, Mr. Evans

PRIZE LIST 1990

JUNIOR SCHOOL PRIZES

Marmaduke Miller Art Prize	M. J. CANNY
Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize	J. D. GARDINER
John Bevis Wilkinson Chemistry Prize	R. J. NELSON
Mechanics' Institute Design Technology Prize	J. M. BIRCH
Foundation Religious Studies Prize	A. M. HUSSAIN
Petyt Trust English Prize	J. D. GARDINER
George Bottomley Memorial French Prize	A. P. BROWN
George Bottomley Memorial German Prize	I. P. DONOUGHIER
Rodwell Memorial Geography Prize	S. R. AYREY
Foundation History Prize	M. C. ROODHOUSE
Petyt Trust Latin Prize	I. P. DONOUGHIER
Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize	P. O'REGAN
Firth Memorial Music Prize	A. G. COPNALL
Foundation P.E. Prize	A. M. HODGSON
Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize	R. J. NELSON

MIDDLE SCHOOL PRIZES

Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize	J. P. LYNCH
Foundation Chemistry Prize	P. J. SPENSLEY
Jonathan Chapman Memorial Prize for Creative Arts	N. J. LANE
Jonathan Chapman Memorial Prize for Geography	D. K. CLARK
Foundation English Prize	N. M. ROBERTS
Foundation History Prize	J. N. McKEOWN
Jack Eastwood Memorial Prize for Languages	M. P. SPENCER
Jack Eastwood Memorial Prize for Latin	A. S. RAYNER
Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize	M. A. BAYLEY
Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize	J. P. LYNCH

SENIOR SCHOOL PRIZES

Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize	S. R. MARSHALL
John Bevis Wilkinson Chemistry Prize	T. B. C. BRAMLEY
Foundation Economics Prize	B. LOVEDAY
Foundation History Prize	B. LOVEDAY
Foundation Religious Studies Prize	M. A. BULLOCK
Petyt Trust English Prize	D. NORTH
George Bottomley Memorial French Prize	C. S. WHITELEY
George Bottomley Memorial German Prize	D. J. MOORBY
Rodwell Memorial Geography Prize	L. J. SCARBOROUGH
Petyt Trust Latin Prize	R. J. HARGREAVES
Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize	J. A. M. GEDDES
Firth Memorial Music Prize	M. D. PERRY
Foundation P.E. Prize	P. D. WEBSTER
Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize	D. FEATHER
Design and Technology Prize	D. W. WILSON

FOUNDATION FORM PRIZES

1G	R. J. HOPE
1P	C. M. HARRIS
1V	P. J. BAYLEY
2A	J. M. HARTLEY
2F	P. L. GARLAND
2K	M. W. COPELAND
3S	E. RANKIN
3X	C. R. CAMPBELL
3D	P. O'REGAN
Skipton Town Council Silver Jubilee Shield	P. G. LAWSON
Iain McLeod Memorial Prize	C. S. WHITELEY
Fleming Essay Prize	M. J. CARTER
Longden Smith Prize for Rugby	L. J. SCARBOROUGH
Jimmy Harrison Memorial Prize for Progress in Senior Rugby	D. J. MILNOR
Peter Rose Memorial Prize for Cricket	D. J. WALKER
Drama Prize	S. C. McGUINN
Doris Altham Barker Prize for Musical Achievement	D. FEATHER
Parents' Association Fortitude Prize (shared)	S. R. CARTMAN
Arthur Coe Prize for Distinguished Service	P. B. ROWLAND
Foundation General Efficiency Prize	B. S. RUSSELL
Old Boys' Association Head of School Prize	A. J. LONGMATE
	L. J. SCARBOROUGH

UNIVERSITY AND POLYTECHNIC LIST

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D. J. BAKER	Sheffield Polytechnic (Minerals Estate Management)
M. C. BAKER	Sheffield University (Law) 1990
C. J. BASS	Trent Polytechnic
P. A. BEHARREL	Lancaster University (Physics)
M. M. BENTLEY	Leicester Polytechnic (Industrial and Business Systems)
J. D. CHAPMAN	South Bank Polytechnic (Building Surveying) 1990
A. B. COCKERILL	Manchester Polytechnic (Mechanical Engineering)
D. A. COUPE	Manchester University (Town and Country Planning)
P. D. DAKER	St. John's College, Oxford (Botany)
S. M. FLANNERY	Coventry Polytechnic (Business Law)
M. C. FOLLOWS	Nottingham University (Medicine)
M. A. GOODALL	Crewe and Alsager College (Sports and Leisure Studies)
S. H. GRACE	Warwick University (Maths. and Business Studies)
M. J. HALLINAN	Coventry Polytechnic (European Business and Technical Studies)
C. A. HARDCASTLE	Manchester Polytechnic (Economics)
D. J. HARRISON	Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge (Natural Sciences)
M. HARRISON	Sheffield Polytechnic (Applied Chemistry)

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M. J. HARRISON	London School of Economics (Actuarial Science)
A. J. HART	Warwick University (Economics)
A. J. W. HARTLEY	Preston Polytechnic (Hospitality Management)
D. T. M. HAYES	Newcastle Polytechnic (Building Management)
M. I. HENDERSON	Lancaster University (Physics)
P. H. HIRST	Aston University (Pharmacy)
R. A. HOLME	Newcastle Polytechnic (Building Management)
J. C. HOUSE	Manchester Polytechnic (Accounting and Finance)
D. M. HOWSON	Oxford Polytechnic (Civil Engineering)
S. HUSSAIN	Bradford University (Biomedical Sciences)
D. ISHERWOOD	East Anglia University (Computerised Accountancy)
K. JOLLY	Trent Polytechnic (Quantity Surveying)
J. K. LOCKYER	Southampton University (Biochemistry)
P. LOUGHLIN	Newcastle University (Medicinal Chemistry)
M. W. LUBY	Bradford University (Technology and Management Services)
O. S. MACK	U.M.I.S.T. (Management Sciences)
W. B. McADAM	Glasgow University (Combined Course)
A. J. MAUDE	Loughborough University (Electro/Mechanical Engineering)
A. E. MILLER	Middlesex Polytechnic (Mechanical Engineering)
A. D. MORAN	U.M.I.S.T. (Management Sciences)
S. T. P. MOSS	East Anglia University (Business Finance and Economics)
A. T. NASH	Bangor University (Forestry)
J. POTTER	North Staffordshire Polytechnic (Geography)
R. STRATTON	Newcastle Polytechnic (Quantity Surveying)
C. J. TAYLOR	Lancaster University (Biological Science)
H. D. TENNANT	Coventry Polytechnic (European Engineering Studies)
E. TIFFANY	Newcastle Polytechnic (Estate Management)
J. N. TOWN	Surrey University (Mechanical Engineering and Business Management)
I. J. WALLBANK	Sunderland Polytechnic (Environmental Technology)
S. J. WHITTAKER	University College of South Wales (Engineering)
N. P. WIGGIN	Warwick University (Psychology)
S. D. WILMERS	North Staffordshire Polytechnic (Geography)
G. WILSON	U.M.I.S.T. (Computer Software Technology)

ATHLETICS 1990

In an abbreviated Summer Term we took part in three competitions with other schools.

The Under 14 and Under 15 teams went to Bradford G. S. to take part in a three-sided match with Bingley G.S. as the third team. We were well beaten by some outstanding runners but were able to give a good account of ourselves in the throwing events with Binns winning the Under 15 Shot and R. Nelson winning the Under 14 Javelin.

The same two teams also competed against Giggleswick in what is now becoming a very enjoyable annual event. Although we lost the matches there were again some good performances in the throws. Individual winners were as follows:

- Under 15 Shot — M. Binns
- Under 15 Discus — G. Johnson
- Under 15 Javelin — J. Shillito
- Under 14 100m — C. Richardson
- Under 14 Javelin — R. Nelson

The Under 12 and Under 13 teams went to Ashville. The Under 13 team won handsomely, taking first place in virtually every event. The Under 12s found the going a lot tougher and recorded only two wins.

Individual winners were:

- Under 13 100m — J. Hartley
- Under 13 200m — J. Hartley
- Under 13 400m — N. Hudson
- Under 13 800m — M. Plant
- Under 13 1500m—M. Plant
- Under 13 Long Jump—J. Hartley
- Under 13 Shot—P. Garland
- Under 13 Discus—J. Voss
- Under 12 800m—D. Pickles
- Under 12 Shot—R. Hope

Over the full season several new school records were established as follows:

Senior	High Jump—D. W. Stephens, Hartley, 1.74 m.
Fourth Year	Javelin—J. Shillito, Petyt, 36.50m.
Third Year	200m—A. Peel, Hartley, 27.4
Second Year	100m—J. Hartley, Ermysted, 13.3
	400m—J. Hartley, Ermysted, 62.7
	Long Jump—J. Hartley, Ermysted, 4.80m
First Year	800m—M. Plant, Hartley, 2min. 33 sec.
	400m—J. Massey, Petyt 66.5
	Long Jump—P. Bayley, Toller, 4.21m
	Shot—R. Hope, Hartley, 8.00m

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SPORTS DAY, 1990

Sports Day was held over two days in July and incorporated for the first time a Senior Heptathlon Competition to establish the Victor Ludorum, there being too few boys available to run a full Senior House Championship. This proved to be a great success, keenly fought and very enjoyable. Points were awarded for each performance in seven events based on the English Schools Milk Cup scoring system.

SENIOR HEPTATHALON

Long Jump	1. Stephens D. W. (H)	2. Whittaker R. J. (T)	3. Parker R. (T)	5.67m
100m	1. e. King R. (E)	1. e. Stephens D.W. (H)	3 Whittaker R. J. (T)	12.3
High Jump	1. Stephens D. W. (H)	2. Thorne A. (T)	3. Sagar M. (H)	1.74m*
400m	1. Stephens D. W. (H)	2. D. K. Clark (T)	3. King R. (E)	57.1
Shot	1. Whittaker R. J. (T)	2. King R. (E)	3. Kozlowski R. (E)	10.72m
Discus	1. Breare N. (P)	2. Whittaker R. J. (T)	3. King R. (E)	32.29m
1500m	1. Clough A. (E)	2. Parker R. (T)	3. Clark D. K. (T)	4min 52

VICTOR LUDORUM

1. Stephens D. W. (H). 124 pts. 2. Whittaker R. J. (T) 117pts. 3. King R. (E) 113 pts.

FOURTH YEAR COMPETITION

100	1. Kendall T. (T)	2. Heseltine S. (P)	3. Heseltine, J. (P)	13.1
200	1. Heseltine J. (P)	2. Kendall T. (T)	3. Skipper D. (E)	27.35
400	1. Robertshaw D. (T)	2. Thompson I. (P)	3. Heseltine S. (P)	61.1
800	1. Cokell P. (E)	2. Robertshaw T. (T)	3. Heseltine J. (P)	2.26.5
1500	1. Cokell P. (E)	2. Robertshaw T. (T)	3. Greaves I. (P)	5.14.7
High Jump	1. Leach G. M. (E)	2. Shillito J. M. (P)	3. Geddes J. A. M. (T)	1.51
Long Jump	1. Kendall T. (T)	2. Robertshaw T. (T)	3. Skipper D. (E)	5.14m
Triple Jump	1. Kendall T. M. J. (T)	2. Leach G. M. (E)	3. Geddes J. A. M. (T)	10.92m
Shot	1. Binns M. (E)	2. Clarke R. (T)	3. Johnson G. (E)	10.45m
Javelin	1. Shillito J. M. (P)	2. Leach G. M. (E)	3. Geddes J.A.M. (T)	36.00m
Discus	1. Johnson G. (E)	2. Binns M. (E)	3. Anwar N. (H)	29.65m
Relay 4x100	1. Petyt	2. Toller	3. Ermysted	

VICTOR LUDORUM

1. Kendall 2. Robertshaw 3. Cokell

CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Toller, 95 2. Ermysted, 79 3. Petyt, 74

THIRD YEAR COMPETITION

100	1. Peel A. (H)	2. Richardson C. (T)	3. Addison D. (P)	13.5
200	1. A. Peel (H)	2. Richardson C. (T)	3. Hodgson A. (T)	27.4*
400	1. Addison D. (P)	2. Topp R. (H)	3. Nelson R. (T)	66.09
800	1. Haggerty D. (H)	2. Richardson C. (T)	3. Nelson R. (T)	2.34.1
1500	1. Haggerty D. (H)	2. Broadley M. (E)	3. Lister D. (P)	5.07.39
High Jump	1. Nelson R. (T)	2. Hodgson A. (T)	3. Taylor R. (H)	1.45m
Long Jump	1. Peel A. D. (H)	2. Richardson C. C. (T)	3. Butterfield P. J. (P)	4.96m
Triple Jump	1. Hodgson A. (T)	2. Dolphin R. (P)	3. Docherty M. (E)	10.20m
Shot	1. Nelson R. J. (T)	2. Rankin E. (P)	3. Topp R. F. (H)	10.93m
Javelin	1. Nelson R. (T)	2. Hodgson A. (T)	3. Rankin E. (P)	31.80m
Discus	1. Richardson C. C. (T)	2. Whittaker J. D. (T)	3. Walker S. J. (E)	24.54m
Relay 4x100	1. Toller	2. Hartley	3. Petyt	

VICTOR LUDORUM

1. Nelson (T) 29 2. Richardson (T) 27 3. Hodgson (T) 24

CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Toller, 101 2. Hartley, 77 3. Petyt, 55 4. Ermysted, 30

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SECOND YEAR COMPETITION

100	1. Hartley J. (E)	2. Turner A. (H)	3. Slater M. (P)	13.7
200	1. Hartley J. (E)	2. Wynn A. (P)	3. Slater M. (P)	28.8
400	1. Hartley J. (E)	2. Hudson N. (H)	3. Marchant J. (P)	62.7*
800	1. Plant M. (H)	2. Marchant J. (P)	3. Thom B. (H)	2.33.0*
1500	1. Plant M. (H)	2. Thom B. (H)	3. Marchant J. (P)	5.23.6
High Jump	1. Alexander R. J. (H)	2. Barker P. J. (P)	3. Voss J. M. R. (T)	1.29m
Long Jump	1. Hartley (E)	2. Barker P. (P)	3. Hill K. (T)	4.80*m
Triple Jump	1. Hartley (E)	2. Plant M. (H)	3. Barker P. (P)	10.09m
Shot	1. Garland P. L. (H)	2. Voss J. M. R. (T)	3. Varela R. (P)	8.77m
Javelin	1. Hill K. T. (T)	2. Ellison M. L. (P)	3. Craven L. J. (H)	25.35m
Discus	1. Garland P. L. (H)	2. Coward J. (T)	3. Bellas G. (E)	23.51m
Relay 4x100	1. Petyt	2. Toller	3. Hartley	59.7

VICTOR LUDORUM

1. Hartley (E) 35	2. Plant (H) 22	3. Garland P. L. (H) 17
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CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Hartley, 125	2. Petyt, 106	3. Toller, 93	4. Ermysted, 76
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FIRST YEAR COMPETITION

100	1. Thursby P. (P)	2. Foucher N. (H)	3. Bayley P. (T)	15.00
200	1. Massey J. (T)	2. Burton D. (H)	3. Bayley P. (T)	31.5
400	1. Massey J. (T)	2. Burton D. (H)	3. Grannan I. (E)	66.5*
800	1. Grannan I. (E)	2. Pickles D. (P)	3. Wormald J. (P)	2-47.2
1500	Hey A. (T)	2. Grannan I. (E)	3. Wormald J. (P)	5-39.7
High Jump	1. Capstick T. (P)	2. Robertshaw D. (T)	3. Massey J. (T)	1.25m
Long Jump	1. Bayley P. J. (T)	2. Foucher N. J. (H)	3. Pickles D. J. (P)	3.89m
Triple Jump	1. Burton D. J. (H)	2. Gillings P. J. (T)	3. Rayner A. T. (T)	8.74m
Shot	1. Holme K. N. (T)	2. Hope R. J. (H)	3. Boxer C. J. (E)	6.58m
Javelin	1. Foucher N. (H)	2. Robinson P. (H)	3. Van Dyke J. (P)	20.6m
Discus	1. Bayley P. J. (T)	2. Massey J. (T)	3. Boxer C. J. (E)	18.80m
Relay 4x100	1. Toller	2. Petyt	3. Hartley	62.5

VICTOR LUDORUM

1. Bayley (T) 24	2. Massey (T) 23	3. Burton (T) 20
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CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Toller 146	2. Hartley, 103	3. Petyt, 92	4. Ermysted, 77
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1ST XI CRICKET RETROSPECTIVE—SEASON 1990

Played 10 Won 3 Drawn 4 Lost 2 No Result 1

The side has played some very good, positive cricket this season with quite a reasonable playing record to show for it. The most encouraging aspect this year was the fact that the team was very young and will only lose one player next year. Another pleasing factor was that there were good performances turned in by younger members of the team notably Daniel Stephens who bowled extremely well throughout the season and James Heseltine who shows great promise with his slow left arm bowling.

On the batting side the top five proved to be strong—Simon Slater, Matthew Wilson, James Tiffany and Captain Dave Walker all made runs with some useful contributions from the middle order as well.

I hope that quite a few of the team will realise that they have the potential to be good all rounders and will work on this during the close season.

Perhaps the only negative side to the season was that we might have won more games with a more consistent bowling performance—very rarely were two bowlers taking wickets at the same time, and too many bad balls were bowled, taking the pressure of batsman. Some players should also realise the importance of good fielding and work on their weaknesses.

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All in all, another good season with a high standard of cricket being played—the highlight probably being the win at Batley. With good young players coming through the School can look forward with confidence to next season once again.

1ST XI RESULTS

RIPON G.S.	MATCH DRAWN School 162 for 7 dec. Ripon G. S. 98 for 7	S. Slater 77 D. Walker 39
BATLEY G.S.	WON BY 2 WICKETS Batley G. S. 200 for 3 dec. School 201 for 8	M. Brooke 102 D. Stephens 3 for 36 D. Walker 51 S. Slater 54
GIGGLESWICK	MATCH DRAWN Giggleswick 131 all out School 66 for 8	D. Stephens 5 for 46 D. Walker 39 Caton 6 for 29
LEEDS G.S.	MATCH ABANDONED—RAIN School 139 for 7	J. Tiffany 70 N. Ash 47 n.o. T. Walton 5 for 42
SETTLE H.S.	WON BY 9 WICKETS Settle H.S. 65 for 9 School 66 for 1	N. Ash 3 for 5 S. Heseltine 2 for 5 J. Tiffany 26 n.o. M. Wilson 20 n.o.
PARENTS XI	(25 OVER MATCH) LOST BY 10 WKTS. School 72 all out Parents 75 for 0 wkt.	R. Tiffany 3 for 17 D. Stephens (snr) 3 for 10 B. Hodgson 58 n.o.
CLITHEROE R.G.S.	MATCH DRAWN School 125 for 8 dec. Clitheroe 105 for 9	A. Newstead 23 n.o. S. Slater 20 J. Heseltine 5 for 29
STAFF	WON BY 6 WICKETS Staff 87 all out School 91 for 4	A. Sellers 29 D. Stephens 9 for 13 S. Slater 30 J. Tiffany 27 n.o. S. Speak 3 for 30

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OLD BOYS

(40 OVER MATCH) LOST BY 15 RUNS

Old Boys 190 for 6	E. Tiffany 34
	J. Chapman 35
	D. Harrison 54
School 175 for 7	D. Stephens 49
	S. Slater 26
	N. Ash 20

F. BULLOUGH'S XI MATCH DRAWN

F. Bullough's 193 for 7 dec.	D. Bullough 47
	A. Pickles 88
	D. Stephens 5 for 58
School 176 for 9	M. Wilson 60
	M. Bayley 49

Players:

D. Walker, J. Tiffany, S. Slater, M. Wilson, N. Ash, D. Stephens, J. Nazir, M. Bayley, L. Scarborough, A. Newstead, A. Curtis, J. Heseltine, S. Heseltine, J. Shillito, W. Patrick, S. Davidson, P. Holmes, R. Foster, D. Dobson.

BATTING AVERAGES 1ST XI

	Innings	Not Out	H.S.	Runs	Av.
S. Slater	9	0	77	237	26.3
N. Ash	9	3	47*	122	20.3
J. Tiffany	9	2	70	172	19.1
D. Walker	9	0	51	162	18.00
M. Wilson	10	1	60	144	14.40
D. Stephens	7	0	49	88	12.57
M. Bayley	6	0	49	72	12.00

Bowling Averages

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Ave.
J. Heseltine	16	3	58	6	9.60
D. Stephens	86.4	27	268	25	10.72
N. Ash	49	6	192	7	27.40
J. Nazir	69	8	330	10	33.00
M. Bayley	22	3	72	2	36.00

UNDER 15 CRICKET SUMMER 1990

P. 5. W. 3. D. 1. L. 1.

Those who played: S. Heseltine, J. Heseltine, J. Shillito, W. Mallinson, R. Holliday, D. Appleyard, M. Goodburn, J. Baxter, J. Day, A. Carruthers, P. Wildman, D. Pighills, M. Thorne, M. Nichol, A. Copnall, R. C. Clarke.

The large number of players used during the season was in part a response to the enthusiasm in the squad for representative honours but also the result of the failure of strong claimants to emerge as a regular supporting cast to the dominant players in the side. Nevertheless the side were defeated only once when they were ignominiously skittled out by Settle HS for a paltry total. Even on this

occasion the formidable bowling attack made-up of Shillito's pace and James Heseltine's guile and flight with his left arm spinners removed six Settle batsman. They caused sufficient havoc to sow seeds of uncertainty in a side seeking a total which at the outset seemed a formality. James Heseltine continues to mature as a cricketer of great promise. His economical bowling prevented a useful Giggleswick side from plundering a greater total and in the same game his batting saved the match for E.G.S. with a patient 34. He thoroughly deserved his county honours, his appearances for the first XI and his achievements in local league cricket. A number of other players produced useful contributions but batting, fielding and support bowling were rarely dependable making performances a matter of mood and chance as much as the merits of the opposition. More discipline, concentration and application to technique are required if some talented players are to achieve more consistent success.

Mallinson should develop into capable and watchful opening batsman. Simon Heseltine has the potential to match his brother. Holliday can make the ball swing and seam and will take many wickets when length and line are at his command. Day had a happier season than last, Baxter's bludgeon will return to good effect next year how he has recovered from illness and Wildman's fielding was an example that others should have been more eager to follow.

Many of the side will serve the school well next season. Best of luck!

UNDER 14 XI RETROSPECTIVE

This year's U14 had games against Batley G.S., Giggleswick, Settle, H.S., Q.E.G.S. Blackburn and Silcoates. The team finished the season undefeated and were on the winning side in three of the matches. The team was captained well by Hodgson whose sound batting technique was often the foundation the Ermysteds' innings required. Taylor was clearly the all rounder of the side hitting 34 against Q.E.G.S. and 41 against Silcoates whilst luming in performances with the ball of 3 for 1 against Settle and 3 for 13 against Q.E.G.S., Richardson was the other strike bowler and figures of 4 for 11 against Settle; 4 for 20 against Q.E.G.S. and 3 for 28 against Silcoates clearly demonstrate his value to the side.

The ability, enthusiasm and general behaviour of the squad was of a high standard. The opponents they will face this year as U15s will do so with little relish.

UNDER 13 RESTROPECTIVE

Played 2 Won 0 Drawn 0 Lost 2

The season never really got going with only two matches being played due to bad weather and fixture difficulties in a very short first half term.

However, there is a considerable amount of talent in this team, which, with more match practice will develop into a good side.

There is a wealth of batting talent with Plant, Ellison, Garland and Barker being good stroke players whilst Slater, Scotter, Coward, Pollard and Hanson all showing promise. The main weakness proved to be an inability to build an innings; these players should work on their defensive technique to provide a solid base for shots to be played.

Of the bowlers, Scotter, Ellison and Barker caught the eye with perhaps the most promising being Pollard whose off-spin certainly turns a long way.

I hope that after this disappointing season, the team keeps its enthusiasm

and the lads work hard to improve their individual skills over the close season.
Players:

M. Ellison, M. Plant, M. Slater, G. Bellas, P. Barker, S. Pollard, J. Coward,
 P. Garland, R. Scotter, S. Walker, T. Hanson, G. Smith, C. Harris.

UNDER12 XI RETROSPECTIVE

The Under 12 team played two games; generally the standard of play was good and several players look to have promising futures in cricket.

Against Hipperholme 33 all out. N. Baskir 3 for 4; R. Nelson 3 for 6. E.G.S. 34 for 4 won by 6 wickets.

Against Q.E.G.S., Blackburn E.G.S. 90 for 3; J. Thackray 35, J. Wrathmell 20 n.o. R. Nelson 18. Q.E.G.S. 54 for 9 match drawn. Team: J. Thackray (Capt.), C. Jones, K. Holme, G. Smith, B. Wilson, A. Hamilton, R. Nelson, P. Bayley, J. Wrathmell, N. Cartman, N. Bashir, D. Pickles.

CRICKET HOUSE MATCHES

SEMI FINALS

ERMYSTED 136, bt. (Appleyard 4 for 26) 34)	HARTLEY 76 by 60 runs (Holliday 7 for
TOLLER 105 for 7, bt. (Hodgson 52)	PETYT 103 by 3 wkts.

THIRD/FOURTH PLACE

PETYT 165 for 4, (S. Heseltine 51). (D.Addison 42 n.o.)	bt. HARTLEY 70, by 95 runs
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FIRST/SECOND PLACE

TOLLER 175 for 2, bt. (Hodgson 70. Mallinson 55 n.o.)	ERMYSTED 47, by 128 runs
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RESULT

1. Toller 5 pts. 2. Ermysted 3 pts. 3. Petyt 2 pts. 4. Hartley 1 pt.

JUNIOR CRICKET

SEMI FINALS

HARTLEY 100 for 2, (Garland 53 n.o.)	bt. PETYT 96 for 8 by 8 wkts.
TOLLER 99 for 5, bt. ERMYSTED 74 by 25 runs	

THIRD/FOURTH PLACE

PETYT 150 for 4, 48 runs (Ellison 74)	bt. ERMYSTED 102 for 6 by
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FIRST/SECOND PLACE

HARTLEY 105 for 1, (Plant 48 n.o.)	bt. TOLLER 104 for 3 by 9 wkts.
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RESULT

1. Hartey 5 pts. 2. Toller 3 pts. 3. Petyt 2 pts. 4. Ermysted 1 pt.

FINAL HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Toller 8 pts. 2. Hartley 6 pts. Joint 3. Petyt and Ermysted 4 pts.

RUGBY 1989-90

FIRST XV RUGBY 1989-90

P.19 W. 8 D. 0 L.11 Points for 325. Against 359

Our annual trip to Hull University proved a mixed blessing. Several of the new players showed up well, and two good wins were obtained against Loretto and Matlock. Unfortunately Ben Russell the captain suffered a broken bone in the hand and due to further complications was unable to play against throughout the whole year. This was to be a major blow as his strength, skill and leadership would have decisive in several games which were lost by small margins.

Robert Cowley picked up the mantle of leadership and the first half term produced good wins against Giggleswick, Ripon and Harrogate, secured mainly by a strong pack and tight defence. At Leeds we had good chances to score from close range, and continued to throw away these chances in a variety of ways. The opposition were very adept at converting half chances into points. A strange game. Two more wins against Crossley Health and Bingley were achieved in style and then the team slumped alarmingly winning only three out of the remaining twelve fixtures. Several of these defeats came against strong opposition, Q.E.G.S., Wakefield, Silcoates, Bradford, Lytham and Kirkham are all excellent rugby playing schools, and indeed we played well in several of these games before going down. We would normally expect to have beaten Otley, York and Ashville but seemed incapable of finding either the will or the skill in these encounters.

The Old Boys' game was lost, but only after a terrific struggles which was excellent to watch. Rishworth, Fulneck and Horsforth were beaten, none posing any real threats.

The season was therefore like the curate's egg, good in parts. Certainly in our poor run injuries to Kozlowski and Whittaker (where were your boots?) weakened the pack considerably. The backs, although on paper a talented group, never achieved fluidity, the inside backs seemed disinclined to trust the ball to those outside and were themselves therefore easily marked out of the game. Only nine tries were scored by the wings, which probably averages a try every three passes!

Mention must be made of Scarborough who took over the captaincy when Cowley left school at Christmas. As the third captain of the season he did an excellent job which allied to the great improvement he made as a player, was instrumental in holding the side together in the difficult second term.

This season saw the re-introduction of a colours system. The following were awarded Russell B., Cowley R., Webster P., Saunders S., Richards T., Whittaker D., Slater S., Breare N., Whittaker R. J., Kozlowski R., Gilbert J., Tattersall D., Scarborough L., Mason R., Milnor D., Clark D., Stephens D., Crabtree A. Westlake H., of these nine will return next year and should form the nucleus of a good team.

D. S.

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RESULTS

September	Opposition	Venue		
16	Lancaster	A	Lost	6-18
20	Giggleswick	A	Won	21-4
23	Ripon	H	Won	29-4
October				
14	Harrogate	H	Won	14-7
31	Leeds	A	Lost	0-32
November				
11	Crossley Heath	A	Won	21-4
15	Bingley	A	Won	50-3
18	Lytham	H	Lost	11-23
22	York	H	Lost	10-16
25	Otley	A	Lost	9-10
29	Ashville	A	Lost	3-22
December				
2	Q.E.G.S.	A	Lost	14-51
6	Rishworth	A	Won	17-6
9	Old Boys	H	Lost	16-24
January				
20	Silcoates	A	Lost	4-49
February				
10	Fulneck	H	Won	29-7
March				
3	Kirkham	A	Lost	7-41
10	Bradford	H	Lost	6-28
17	Horsforth	H	Won	58-10

SECOND XV 1989-90

P. 15. W. 8 D. 1. L. 6 Points for 262, Against 205

The 2nd XV retained the Malhamdale Trophy and had a good season. The six defeats were all against schools in the independent sector of which only Lancaster and Silcoates were vastly superior. The victory against Lytham was the finest result, with other noteworthy wins being achieved against Giggleswick, Harrogate and Otley. Against weaker opposition high scores were made by good handling by the backs behind a dominant, driving pack. Players I. Wrightson, R. O. Whitaker, D. Wilson, R. King, N. Stubbs, A. Thorne, J. Tiffany, T. Ejaz, N. Birch, S. Sheppard, M. Collinson, A. Chaney, T. Harrison, D. Peyton, R. Howarth, B. Coates, R. Burnett, J. Scott, N. Hird, J. Lovell, P. Spensley, R. Parr.

D. S.

RESULTS

September				
16	Lancaster	A	Lost	0-40
20	Giggleswick	A	Won	10-3
23	Ripon	H	Won	54-0
October				
14	Harrogate	H	Won	30-6
31	Leeds	A	Lost	0-4
November				
11	Crossley Heath	A	Won	32-0
15	Bingley	A	Won	56-0
18	Lytham	H	Won	31-6
25	Otley	A	Won	10-0
29	Ashville	A	Drew	16-16
December				
2	Q.E.G.S.	A	Lost	3-26
6	Rishworth	H	Won	31-0
January				
20	Silcoates	A	Lost	4-49
March				
3	Kirkham	A	Lost	0-26
10	Bradford	H	Lost	4-24

THIRD XV 1989-90

The 3rd XV played only two games losing 6-16 to Giggleswick and beating Harrogate 28-8. Other fixtures failed to materialise, which is disappointing. However several boys fought their way into the 2nd XV by the end of the season, and most showed marked improvement in Games lessons and in the House matches.

D. S.

COLTS RUGBY 1989-90

P. 14 W. 2 D. 1 L. 11 Points: F. 134. A. 359

The Colts had a disappointing season, winning only two games. However their spirits never flagged, and the team continued to turn out for extra practices where they worked hard at basic skills. Many of the boys who played were in fact only in their first or second season of rugby and will no doubt be much better players in future years. Baxter led from the front and was well supported by Binns, both of whom represented Claro Craven against the other North Yorkshire districts. Our thanks go to Mr. Wallace for the many hours he devoted to the team.

J.B.

RESULTS

Team		Result	Score
Lancaster	H	Lost	8-10
Giggleswick	A	Lost	7-48
Ripon	A	Won	32-4

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Rishworth	A	Drew	4-4
Harrogate	A	Lost	6-16
Crossley Heath	H	Won	46-0
Lytham	A	Lost	0-46
Otley	H	Lost	4-12
Q.E.G.S. Wakefield	H	Lost	19-30
Silcoates	H	Lost	4-17
Ashville	A	Lost	0-34
Fulneck	A	Lost	4-22
Bradford	A	Lost	0-98
Horsforth	A	Lost	0-18

JUNIOR COLTS REPORT FOR SEASON 1989-90

OVERALL RECORD:

P. 13. W. 5. D. 1. L. 7 Points: F. 177. A. 183.

MATCH RESULTS

Team	Result	Score
Lancaster	Lost	0-24
Giggleswick	Draw	6-6
Ripon	Won	20-10
Harrogate	Lost	12-18
Fulneck	Won	38-0
Crossley Heath	Lost	10-18
Lytham	Lost	10-13
Otley	Won	44-0
Ashville	Won	8-0
Q.E.G.S	Lost	32-0
Silcoates	Lost	6-26
Bradford	Lost	7-22
Horsforth	Won	16-8

REPORT:

The season overall was quite successful, only losing seven of our thirteen games were lost. All the matches we played were very hard, we had to be at our top form to pull off some outstanding wins.

Our most successful players included Peter Cokell (centre) who played outstandingly throughout the season because of his speed and determination. The fast winger Andrew Peel was one of our top try scorers; he scored in total nine tries. Another leading player was Andrew Hodgson (full back) who tackled well with great courage and counter attacked with flair. The forwards were led by our team captain Jacob Whittaker (prop), whose inspirational play was a tour de force. McNeil alias "The Battering Ram", played outstandingly throughout the season even when injured.

J. D. W. and A. M. H.

Players:

J. D. Whittaker, A. M. Hodgson, P. J. Cokell, A. D. Peel, P. J. Butterfield, S. J. Walker, B. M. Whitfield, S. C. McGuinn, R. J. Nelson, C. C. Richardson, E. Rankin, D. J. Wintersgill, R. F. Topp, J. J. Lee, A. C. Whitley, D. McNeil, A. Tarbett, I. P. Donougher, D. J. Addison, R. Taylor.

UNDER 13s TEAM—1989-90 RETROSPECT

P. 13. W. 5. D. 1. L. 7. F. 152. A. 216.

At first glance the results statistics might indicate a disappointing season. This is far from the truth. In fact the team developed greatly this year both corporately and as individuals. Some fine rugby was played and when the side lost, it could have been attributed more to lack of confidence than shortfalls in physical or technical ability.

The side was led superbly by Sam Lyles who with Knowles, Bellas and later in the season Varela provided an excellent front row platform. Ellison in the back row had an outstanding season and provided an ideal support partner for backs and forwards. The half-backs occasionally lacked confidence but that will develop and when Garland and Hartley had the chance they ran very strongly in the centre as did Wynn and Leake on the wings. The side should look forward with confidence to next season and they build on the team spirit that has been nurtured this year.

C. D.

Players:

S. Lyles, G. Bellas, M. Knowles, B. Varela, J. Voss, C. Smith, M. Villiers, M. Ellison, L. Craven, M. Bell, J. Barker, M. Jubb, M. Lumsden, M. Slater, A. Wynn, J. Hartley, P. Garland, G. Leake, P. Barker, N. Hudson, J. Coward, A. Marshall, M. Robinson, R. Gardt, L. Wray.

UNDER 12s RUGBY

The First Year team played six games without winning any. As usual, most of the games were against established rugby playing schools who proved too strong for boys in their first season. However the squad that represented school should not be disheartened as there is every indication that a useful team will emerge as they progress through the years.

D. S.

Players:

C. Jones, A. Hey, J. Massey, S. Morphett, I. Grannan, P. Bayley, A. Carlsson, J. Newby, A. Smith, J. Thackray, R. Hope, B. Whitaker, J. Squires, N. Townson, K. Holme, A. Hamilton, R. Nelson, P. Robinson, T. Capstick, P. Ramsey.

RESULTS

Lytham	Lost	0-18
Ashville	Lost	12-20
Q.E.G.S.	Lost	0-44

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Silcoates	Lost	0-28
Bradford	Lost	0-26
Horsforth	Lost	4-16

HOUSE RUGBY 1989/90

RESULTS—SENIORS

Toller	6	v	Hartley	0
Ermysted	3	v	Petyt	6
Toller	12	v	Ermysted	4
Hartley	0	v	Petyt	10
Toller	8	v	Petyt	6
Hartley	6	v	Ermysted	6

The Tournament was played on 21st March over one afternoon. Teams were 15 a side and each game was 15 minutes each way. The afternoon was a great success, and the games were hard and competitive. The final result was:

1. Toller 6 pts. 2 Petyt 4 pts. 3. Ermysted 1pt. 4. Hartley 1 pt.

THIRD AND FOURTH YEARS

This competition was played over two weeks on a knock out basis and produced the following results.

Semi finals

Ermysted 38, Hartley 24.

Toller 54, Petyt 0.

The final result was: Toller 52, Ermysted 0, and the third place final result was Hartley 22, Petyt 20.

FIRST AND SECOND YEAR'S

This Tournament was also played as 15 a side games, playing 15 minutes each way. Results were as follows:

Hartley 24 Petyt 0

Ermysted 10 Toller 8

Hartley 12 Toller 4

Ermysted 16 Petyt 4

Hartley 30 Ermysted 4

Toller 4 Petyt 0

OVERALL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP (combined results of years 1-4).

1. Hartley and Toller tied.

2. Ermysted

4. Petyt.

RUGBY RESULTS 1989-90

Opponents	1st XV	2nd XV	3rd XV	Colts	Junior Colts	U/13	U/12
Lancaster	6-18	0-40	—	8-10	0-24	4-34	—
Giggleswick	21-4	10-3	6-16	7-48	6-6	—	—
Ripon	29-4	54-0	—	32-4	20-10	18-12	—
Rishworth	17-6	31-0	—	4-4	—	—	—
Harrogate	14-7	30-6	28-8	6-16	12-18	6-14	—
Leeds	0-32	0-4	—	—	—	—	—
Fulneck	29-7	—	—	4-22	38-0	14-0	—
Crossley Heath	21-4	32-0	—	46-0	10-18	4-12	—
Bingley	50-3	56-0	—	—	—	—	—
Lytham	11-23	13-6	—	0-46	10-13	0-20	0-18
York VI Form	10-16	—	—	—	—	—	—
Otley	9-10	10-0	—	4-12	44-0	34-4	—
Ashville	3-22	16-16	—	0-34	8-6	12-0	12-20
Q.E.G.S.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wakefield	14-51	3-26	—	19-30	0-32	0-48	0-44
Old Boys	16-24	—	—	—	—	—	—
Silcoates	4-49	3-54	—	4-17	6-26	0-10	0-28
Kirkham	7-49	0-26	—	—	—	10-10	—
Bradford	6-28	4-24	—	0-98	7-22	0-52	0-26
Horsforth	58-10	—	—	0-18	16-8	50-0	4-16
	P.	W.	D.	L.	Points for	Agst.	% win
1st XV	19	8	0	11	325	359	42.1
2nd XV	15	8	1	6	262	205	56.7
3rd XV	2	1	0	1	34	24	50.0
Colts	14	2	1	11	134	359	17.8
J. Colts	13	5	1	7	177	183	42.3
U/13	13	5	1	7	152	216	42.3
U/12	6	0	0	6	16	142	0

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CROSS-COUNTRY 1989/90

The cross-country teams performed well this year over an extensive list of fixtures. In 5 events organised by athletics clubs Jonathon Marchant and Robin Whiteley produced consistently good finishes.

Against local schools we had many successes.

Venue	1st Year	2nd/3rd Year	4th/5th Year	6th Year
Leeds	3rd	3rd	1st	—
Rishworth	—	—	—	1st
Home	1st	2nd	3rd	—
Old Boys	—	—	—	1st
Batley	5th	3rd	—	—
Skipton Relays	—	3rd	2nd	2nd & 3rd

Good individual performances in these races were achieved by John Massey (1st year), 2nd at Leeds 1st at Home.

Jonathan Wormald (1st year), 2nd at Home.

Matthew Plant (2nd year), 5th at Batley.

Daniel Haggerty (3rd year) 1st at Leeds (course record), 1st at Home, 2nd Batley, 2nd Relays.

Ian Donougher (3rd year), 2nd at Leeds 5th at Home.

Robin Whiteley (5th year), 2nd at Leeds, 1st in the relays.

Matthew Ingham (5th year), 2nd at Home, 2nd at Rishworth.

Nick Bhagat (6th year), 4th at Leeds, 3rd at Home, 1st at Rishworth, 1st in the Old Boys' Race.

Alistair Clough (6th), 2nd in the Relays.

“COUNTRY AND AREA CHAMPIONSHIPS”

In the area championships we were the most successful school despite our comparatively small size.

1st years 2nd; 2nd years 1st; 3rd years 4th; 4/5 years 1st; 6th years 2nd.

Individually in the preliminary age groups Massey 4th and Wormald 7th, junior Haggerty 8th and Donougher, intermediate Whiteley 2nd and Ingham 10th and senior Bhagat 6th and Parker 12th all represented the area in the county championships. Massey, Haggerty, Donougher, Whiteley Bhagat and Parker all made the N. Yorkshire team, with Haggerty, Whiteley and Bhagat being selected to run in the English Schools Cross Country Championships.

Within school we held two handicap events at Christmas and Easter introducing many newcomers to racing. The School Cross-Country saw an

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excellent turnout of nearly every pupil in the School including 92 Sixth Formers, and some staff. The winning teams and individuals were:

Preliminary:	1 John Massey	21.51	Winning House, Toller
	2 Dominic Pickles	22.26	
	3 Jonathan Wormald	23.06	
Junior:	1 Daniel Haggerty	25.56	Winning House, Hartley
	2 Ian Donougher	26.12	
	3 Matthew Plant	27.29	
Intermediate:	1 Robin Whiteley	26.34	Winning House, Toller
	2 Matthew Ingham	29.55	
	3 Richard Calvert	30.18	
Senior	1 Nick Bhagat	35.07	Winning House, Toller
	2 Alistair Clough	35.11	
	3 Richard Parker	37.55	
Overall Champions Toller			

S. S.

Ermysted's Grammar School House Swimming Gala 1990

SENIOR FREESTYLE X3

	House	Result
Maude D.	P	1
Gibson A.	T	2
Sagar	H	3
Time: 73.66		

SENIOR FREESTYLE X 2

Bailey M.	T	1
Maude D.	H	2
Spensley P.	H	3
Time: 44.85		

SENIOR BREASTSTROKE X 2

Spensley P.	H	1
Longmate A.	E	2
Green M.	H	3
Time: 54.50		

SENIOR BACKCRAWL X 2

Thornton S.	H	1
Patrick W.	T	2
Roberts M.	H	3
Time: 51.94		

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SENIOR BUTTERFLY X 1

Sagar M.	H	1
Martin R.	T	2
Spensley P.	H	3

Time: 21.08

SENIOR DIVE

Smith J.	P	1
Peyton D.	E	2
Whittaker D.	H	3

SENIOR RELAY

Hartley		1
Toller		2
Ermysted		3

Time: 1-28.71 Previous Record: 1-32.95

INTERMEDIATE FREESTYLE X 2

Hirst D.	T	1
Broadley M.	E	2
Grindrod P.	H	3

Time: 49.4

INTERMEDIATE FREESTYLE X 1

Gardiner D.	P	1
Richardson C.	T	2
Ripley R.	P	3

Time: 22.05

INTERMEDIATE BREASTROKE X 1

Gardiner D.	P	1
Robertshaw T.	T	2
Tetley A.	H	3

Time: 27.02

INTERMEDIATE BACKCRAWL

Kendal T.	T	1
Gardener D.	P	2
Squires C.	H	3

Time: 28.10 Record: 22.80

INTERMEDIATE BUTTERFLY X 1

Broadley M.	E	1
Richardson C.	T	2
Squires C.	H	3

Time: 26.27 Record: 21.90

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INTERMEDIATE DIVE

Haggerty D.	H	1
Donaugher I.	T	2
Rowland c.	E	3

INTERMEDIATE RELAY

Toller		1
Hartley		2
Petyt		3

Time: 1-50.7

JUNIOR FREESTYLE X 2

Bellas G.	E	1
Townson N.	T	2
Benson J.	P	3

Time: 48.49

JUNIOR FREESTYLE X 1

Bellas G.	E	1
Townson N.	T	2
Smith G.	G	3

Time: 21.57 Previous Record: 24.14

JUNIOR BREASTROKE X 1

Lawson P.	T	1
Garnet D.	T	2
Copeland M.	E	3

Time: 28.03

JUNIOR BACKCRAWL X 1

Smith G.	E	1
Lumsden M.	E	2
Wray L.	T	3

Time: 27.55

JUNIOR BUTTERFLY X 1

Bateman C.	H	1
Garnett D.	T	2
Copeland M.	E	3

Time: 26.59 Previous Record: 27.40

JUNIOR DIVE

Beard J.	T	1
Foucher N.	H	2
Garland P.	H	3

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JUNIOR RELAY

Ermysted	1
Toller	2
Hartley	3

Time: 1-52.16

VICTOR LUDORUM SENIOR

Spensley P.	15
Maude D.	14
Sagar M.	11

INTERMEDIATE

Gardiner D.	19
Broadley M.	15
Squires C.	11

JUNIOR

Bellas G.	14
Lawson P.	10
Townson N.	10
Smith G.	10

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hartley	131
Toller	130
Ermysted	104 ¹ / ₂
Petyt	87 ¹ / ₂

ORIENTEERING

Orienteering continues to flourish at Ermysted's and the last year has seen more boys than ever before involved in the sport and a record number of events visited by the boys. Perhaps the highlight of the season was the trip to Ewden Valley near Sheffield to compete in the British Orienteering Championships. There were no trophies for our competitors, but it gave everyone a chance to match themselves against the best in the country.

In April the orienteering club visited the Lake District for a residential weekend, under the guidance of Mr. Gill and Mr. Bendall. After competing in the Schools Championship on the Saturday the group then attempted a series of testing courses on the high fells in the Duddon Valley.

The club has competed in a wide variety of events, both in the local area at Otley, Ilkley and Brimham Rocks and further afield in the North York Moors, Humberside and the Lake District. These have been numerous notable performances and several of the boys have progressed through the award scheme by competing the appropriate badge courses.

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Yellow
B. Watson
C. Brooks
C. Duke
D. Burton
D. Whinray

Orange
C. Brooks
C. Duke
J. Fawcett
K. Smith
M. Villiers
P. Tetley

Red
M. Villiers
S. Ayrey

In the School Championship (Yorkshire) there were some notable successes.

11s EGS—1st C. Duke, C. Brooks, B. Watson.

13s EGS—2nd K. Smith, M. Villiers, P. Tetley.

15s EGS—4th M. Bayley, T. Barthram, S. Ayrey

The club is already planning a full series of events for the forthcoming season, with a visit to the prestigious international J. K. event, held this year in Derbyshire, being the highlight.

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Middle: H. Westlake, R. Whittaker, L. Scarborough, B. Russell (Capt.), S. Slater, J. Gilbert.
Front: R. Maton, P. Holland, P. Webster, D. Clark.



2ND XV

Back: P. Coates, R. Howarth, D. Wilson, S. Sheppard, T. Ejaz, R. Burnett, T. Harrison, P. Spensley.
Middle: N. Birch, J. Lovell, N. Hird, I. Wrightson (Capt.), M. Collinson, A. Chaney, N. Stubbs.
Front: J. Scott, R. Whitaker, R. Parr, J. Tiffany.



JUNIOR COLTS

Back: R. Taylor, P. Butterfield, D. McNeil, A. Tarbett, C. Richardson, E. Rankin, R. Nelson, R. Topp, P. Cokell.

Middle: A. Hodgson, J. Lee, S. McGuinn, J. Whittaker (Capt.), B. Whitfield, D. Addison, R. Dolphin.

Front: I. Donougher, D. Wintersgill, A. Peel, S. Walker.

AN ALTERNATIVE FAIRY STORY

Once upon a time there was a weedy prince who lived in a huge castle. His name was Prince Arnold. One day, while the prince was sitting in his great hall, a messenger arrived from a far off land. He came into the hall and said, "Your highness, I have come from the land called Spritzbog, where our people are being attacked by demons. I have been sent to seek your aid in defeating the demons because one of them is holding the princess captive. The king has promised her hand in marriage to anyone who can rescue her." The prince could hardly stay at his castle if he wanted to maintain his image, so the very next day he put on a new pair of braces, his armour and his sword, which he swung across his back. He jumped for his horse's back, missed, and ended up sitting in the palace duckpond. The ducks weren't very pleased and the prince snapped his braces in his hurry to get out. He went back into the palace, got on a new pair of braces and climbed carefully onto his horse. He rode hard all day and eventually reached Spritzbog. He decided he didn't want to go to the castle of Spritzbog so got bed and breakfast instead.

The next day the prince set out for the demon's castle which he found without much trouble. He was about to challenge the demons when one opened the door and said.

"Get lost little man, before I eat you." Prince Arnold was absolutely terrified and leaped onto his horse; at least he would have done so if his horse hadn't spotted a beautiful mare over by a tree. As it was, the Prince went head first into the castle wall. Being a hard-headed sort of chap he punched a hole in the wall and watched in amazement as the walls cracked and collapsed, crushing the demons beneath.

"Oh dear, sorry chaps" said the prince, who really didn't like hurting people. He walked among the rubble searching for the princess who was supposed to be there. Eventually he found her in an underground dungeon which had withstood the fall of the walls. He unchained her and took her up to the castle level. He put her on his horse and sat behind her. He set off for the castle of Spritzbog.

When he arrived there was a great banquet and the prince had the place of honour. After the celebrations The king took the prince aside and said,

"You have saved my daughter, so I now offer you her hand in marriage."

"Must I?" said the prince.

"Come on now," said the king.

"She's not that bad, besides there might be little children reading this and they all know that this is not how its meant to turn out."

"Oh all right," said the prince, "but I don't really like her".

So the two were married and returned to the prince's homeland.

The marriage was fine for a few years but then they began to argue and argue and at last they got a divorce. The king of Spritzbog (a committed NSPCC member) had a lot to say about the influence this might have on small children; but the prince took no notice.

This is just about the end of this tale, it just remains to say that nobody lived happily ever after except the prince's horse who got on very well with the mare he met by the demon's castle.

The moral of this story is not to believe everything English teachers say about what makes a fairy story.

R.H. (1G)

BEWERLEY PARK, 1989
SOME IMPRESSIONS

Day Five, sailing promised to be fun, after all, the blood of Drake and Raleigh flows through the veins of all Englishmen. Unfortunately being half Ninja warrior has its disadvantages—the Japanese half of me got into knots of confusion trying to untangle our small sailing boat itself. I was scared stiff; we were sailing on a manmade lake (old, bottomless quarry), which according to the sailing club who used the lake was being turned into a huge cesspit; great, really wonderful! All I knew was that if I fell in, I would be doomed to stink for the rest of my life. So we learnt the parts of our boat, rudder for steering, boom for, well, hitting you on the head (the sound resembles a boom). It works like this, as the rudder is turned hard, the boom swings across in relation to the wind and catches me on the back of head, I scream in agony, over-balance, and almost fall in. Remembering the raw sewage, Ninja reflexes and blind panic allowed me to cling onto the mast (another technical term meaning the long thing to hang onto). I sit down hurting but being very brave. This is how I spent the entire afternoon, the whole exercise repeating itself about five times; I lost count at about three but during the afternoon I learnt that when some lunatic touched the rudder you duck and pray. Once again relief was available with a hot shower, copious bandages, and trying to avoid anything green from the meat tray.

T.M.J.K. (4T)

The other members of the group were thinking about this gorge walking. What is it? How do you do it? Is it dangerous? Questions like this were filling the other group members' heads. The few people who knew I had been on the course started asking me questions.

"You'll have to free abseil off a bridge to get into the gorge". I said.

"What's free abseiling?"

"That's when your hands do all the work," I replied, "don't use your feet".

"How high is the bridge?"

"About sixty feet up."

"Do you have to free abseil?"

"No. You could jump!"

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Derek and Lynn had just finished setting up the abseiling gear. As Derek checked the ropes, Lynn showed us how to wear the abseil harness.

First there was the "sit-in strap". A nylon belt twisted to form a figure-of-eight with two holes for your legs. This was attached to our belts with a karabiner. A metal figure-of-eight was attached to the karabiner and a safety rope also added our abseil rope was looped through the metal figure-of-eight.

I volunteered to go over the edge of the bridge first. I had a fear of heights that I wanted to beat.

As I climbed over the edge of the bridge I actually felt confident and I was enjoying what I was doing. It was almost like walking up to a big Sixth-Former, telling him to go away in a vulgar way and not getting hit. Only this time it felt like I had walked up to death himself and laughed at him.

I.R.T. (4G)

Day six saw us staying at home, the camp that is; that was great, The morning was spent solving physical problems, the best of which being that our group was trapped behind a supposed electrical fence and we had to get out using only a wooden pole; no problem! We sent Joel over first then, one by one, everyone else climbed along the bridge we formed with the pole, over the fence (which was about 1.5 metres tall). I was last over. I tried jumping over it first. I tried the original bridge idea once and then we struck on an idea. The pole was pivoted on their side and dangled over mine, I grasped hold and was catapulted over the fence. Success, I thought, as I flew through the air—this problem had never been solved before. These thoughts were replaced by panic when I realised that nobody had kept hold of the pole so my trajectory turned ballistic and I somersaulted through the air; my landing hurt, but being Ninja Ned meant that the pain had to be borne with an inscrutable smile.

Mum arrived home first and, of course, asked about my trip and had I enjoyed it. I heard my voice full of enthusiasm telling her of the fantastic time I had had, recalling all the really great feelings when I was able to do things I thought I couldn't. I was glad to have gone to the famous Bewerley Park and was already looking forward to going back, perhaps even to try the advanced course.

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BOUQUET

ROSES

The peach in the rain
Stands flirtingly,
Every passing eye catches the erotic beauty,
The very Ascot of flowers.

Laborious roots constantly
Provide the armoured stem,
Petals drop to the ground
Like snowflakes

M.K. (2K)

RAPESEED

Travelling in a new car,
windows open,
Stereo in the background,
Hot, sunny day.

On the way to the sea,
Suddenly! Sea of yellow
on either side,
Cloud of pollen up ahead.

Quickly! Close all windows.
Shut the sunroof,
Hayfever alert!
A little girl starts to wheeze.

N.H. (2 K)

FUCHIAS

Enchanting dancing ladies who steal the limelight at so many shows.
In the appealing flower a tall stamen spurts below the others.
The silent jewel droops downwards and only a young sepal
looks up into the crisp brightness of the sun peeping through the early
morning clouds.

When the hazy warmth dies down the flower had also had its day.
Petals, faint and wilting, begin to glide helplessly to the ground,
gather in a pile with the rest of the victims from
the chill of the Winter wind.

J. N. (2K)

AUTUMN SONG

The last of the berries long since gone
And Autumn colours taint our song.
For who is to say what may come along
With darker, longer nights.
The trees stand naked, thin and cold,
Once summer flowers, now faded, old;
And people hurry to their fires
On wintery, wind swept nights.

We sing and hope you overheard
The song of pleading from a bird;
You throw a crumb, so sure that we
Will live another night.
But we need more if to survive,
For food is scarce and very tight,
Our courage fades and yet we strive
To last another night.

But morning brings the icy winds
That ruffle feathers, stings our eyes
With tears we look towards the skies
Before the long, dark night.
And so our sorrow goes untold
The Autumn's passed, the year grows old,
We look ahead to Spring and know
We'll live another night.

C.J.B. (IV)

OF ALL NOXIOUS CREATURES, THE MOST NOXIOUS IS THE TOURIST

When Ms. Brenda Thistlebottom, an aging spinster was asked the one thing she disliked about Skipton High Street on a Saturday, she replied after some considerable deliberation and a half a pound of Berty Bullshot's best Mintballs—"Them bloody tourists!"

After disagreeing on the plight of the one legged Wanacrutch tribe in darkest Peru, this was the one point where we struck common ground. Now if a zoologist had been posed the question "what is the most noxious creature in the world?" He would undoubtedly have replied "The lesser spotted fire-bellied frog," and in one respect he would be correct, but to your average Yorkshire laymen the "frog" would not refer to the horrible slimy creature that lives in ponds, or perhaps it would, depending on the attitude you took to our European Community Brethren across the water! Yet to most people the answer would be quite apparent, yes, the most noxious creature in the world, is without doubt or reservation the tourist!

It is ironic that although we detest this breed so intensely, we are ourselves in fact guilty of the crime the moment we step outside the boundaries of our town, village or city. We march into other people's settlements like triumphant liberators, immediately attracted, like bees to a honey-pot to the nearest pay and display machine. Yes we've all been there, fumbling in our pockets, frantically searching for change, before in desperation turning to the next in line, which usually turns out to be some incredibly unco-operative Scotsmen who considers it a raw deal having to hand over more coins than he will get in return!

So, as the sprawling metropolis of Skipton continues to flourish as a major tourist centre, or so my Geography teacher tells me, I will outline a few likely scenarios and courses of action for any native who is brave enough to venture from his hut and sample the "Hustle and bustle of the lively medieval street market that is the Skipton experience!"

Firstly there are some areas that even the local constabulary avoid on a Saturday afternoon, and these can be defined as "Hot-Spots." In brief there are three such areas: The first is the Broughton Road sector. Although doubtful that anyone would possibly want to go there, it is however popular with the train spotting fraternity (identifiable by the standard issue bright orange packamac.) Under no circumstances should these creatures be disturbed, as although appearing docile and complacent, they are in fact extremely temperamental, having been known to take swings at passers by with their authentic 1954 "Eagle for Boys" binoculars. Only last week a well respected member of the farming community, a Mr. William Cutanrun was hospitalised with a "Train-spotting Times" tripod up his britches! However the real obstacle in this area is Passport Control. It is at this point that all Lancastrians are thoroughly searched, although not necessary on the inward journey; it is vital before they return to their own country to check for commodities that are rationed on that side of the border, such as butter, sugar, and the "Daily Telegraph". Many a time I've seen the poor

wretches hurriedly attempting to conceal their freshly bought quality Tesco shopping in a battered “Bargain Beater” carrier bag, a sorry sight I can tell you!

The second hot-spot is the Castle/Church “entertainment complex”. It is here that the bedraggled Skipton is likely to encounter the vilest vile variations of the tourist—The American!!!

You know that they are in the immediate vicinity when silence falls as and a loud “J----- C-----!” fills the air. On the rare occasion that they fail to identify themselves in such a way, their attire will be an immediate giveaway. The first sign is the dark blue baseball cap, which may or may not be interchanged with the optional Stetson (of course liberally decorated with injun scalps.) Invariably the American Tourist will be wearing a T-shirt that shows off to the full his carefully cultivated beergut, that his taken thirty years of hard Budweiser guzzling to achieve. It is often said that the size of gut is inversely linked to other bodily attributes, so rest assured that Dwight “guts” Gatsby, who boasts an overhang to rival Kilnsey Crag is no Casanova! The T-shirt will have been eagerly purchased from some oriental stall holder for a small fortune, and will sport the legend: “I love (replaced by a heart) the Yorkshire Dales.” If all else fails, even the most inconspicuous American is never seen without his Iguana skin slip on shoes. On no account must you engage in conversation with these creatures, and not matter what the promised financial reward, to not be tempted to sell the “Quaint lille ol’ building ower thar,” which will no doubt turn out to be the Town Hall. It’s just not worth the hassle of having transport it stone by stone to Louisiana!

The High Street is probably the most hazardous area. Without doubt the pavement will be a milling throng, so you will be forced to step out into the oncoming traffic. This is perfectly safe, so long as tourists with what is referred to in medical circles as the “Lake District Syndrome” are not passing.

These people insist on driving through every small village they encounter, in the hope of sampling the delights of a rural market town. Why they can’t stay in the ten mile tail back on the M6 I’ll never know! If this was not bad enough, these “Lakies” as they are affectionately called always tow a twenty foot yacht behind their Volvo estate. A friend of mine was knocked unconscious when he was struck unsuspecting by a swinging yardarm! Back on dry land, the two species you are quite literally likely to bump into are, to give them their scientific names—Vacant lookus and Grininanelyus. The latter act as though islands in a stream, standing rigid as the waves of pedestrians crash around them. They clutch their string shopping bags with unrivalled ferocity, while grinning inanely from behind bi-focal glasses. An additional problem that has to be navigated is that they are usually carrying a large plank or other such piece of hardware that they have just purchased from the local DIY superstore, after being enticed by the extensive advertising boasting that it would be open on Bank Holiday Monday. It is odd to think that the nation drop tools, only to rush in droves to buy economy size pots of paint and choose from a “Vast selection of de-luxe ceramic tiles.”

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The Vacant lookus can be considered the equivalent of a sheep in the animal world. Their expressions are permanently etched, bearing a resemblance to extras from the film "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest". It is extremely dangerous to attempt to walk against the flow of these creatures, unless, that is, you relish the prospect of a double buggy crashing into your shins or an unnecessarily large golf umbrella up your nostril.

The best advice is that issued by the police, to "Stay indoors, travelling only if in dire need". However with the increasing awareness of environmental issues and as the desire to explore the real wilderness beckons, the days of the casual day tripper look numbered. Will once more the streets of Skipton become the safe haven of its peace loving inhabitants? As my old French master used to say "I want it to be an oasis of calm," and why not? These mindless creatures have ruled for too long! Is the day not dawning when we will stare at them as stuffed exhibits alongside dinosaur remains in some musty museum? Let's hope so!!

M.J.C. (6Mb)



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A cloud of death
lingered inside the hunters,
conscience having no presence
in murdering minds.

The air slightly scented.
With the odour of blood,
The wild cat
Having been carefully skinned.

The hunters kill them,
The heartless skin them,
The mindless sell them,
The culprits buy them.

R.V. (2K)

THE BLACK PANTHER

A fleeting glimpse of the death-black killing machine.
Silently, stealthily slinking in sinuous movements.
Muscles rippling under silken coat.
Weaving and oozing through the trees like a trickle of oil.
An inky-black shadow, gleaming white fangs, lethal vicious claws unsheathed.
He springs.
Teeth piercing yielding flesh.

Blood, raw meat, entrails,
Fruits of raking claws and slashing fangs.
Gorged, the hunter sleeps.

J.J.C. (2K)

ENNUI: AN ACCOUNT OF A DAY IN PRIVATE STUDY

Private study Boredom, boredom, more boredom. The rest of the Fourth Year were of on a school trip to York, and here I was slouched in a chair in the Boarders' Dining Room. Bored No teachers, no-one else around. Eight periods of forty minutes each to kill.

I had been sitting in the form room, feeling like a crow among birds of paradise. Dark blue blazer, black trousers and black shoes stood out among the flowery hooded tops and flared jeans of my comrades. They laughed and joked, eyeing each others' plumage, strutting in display that had no end purpose. The register was taken, and the gaudy but unseasoned cockerels fluttered off to congregate in the Hall.

My mind was already shutting down in preparation for a hard day doing nothing, a twelve-cylinder engine firing on one, it was starting to be a hot day, and I was glad I wouldn't have to think much. I wandered round the School, trying to find where P.S. was, I discovered an empty Boarders' Dining Room, and settled into a comfortably flexible plastic chair and, learning back, I opened Justin Scott's "A Pride of Kings"—over five hundred pages of a novel I had read many times before. I liked reading novels for the fourth time; by then they are like an old, well-loved armchair—familiar, undemanding, an enfolding, comforting refuge against the world.

I read from nine o'clock to dinnertime at twelve forty-five. Most would regard this as boring, both for me and of me, but it was the best day of the week—an uninterrupted read in tranquil surroundings, and no human contact required.

Dinnertime was an interesting experience I ate my lunch, then wandered about the school grounds for the best part of an hour. I have made no friends outside my own year, and so, in that fifty minutes, only one person—a teacher—registered my existence. Everyone looked through me, not at me, and I experienced the sensation of being invisible, in the midst of four hundred jostling, joking schoolboys.

It seemed no-one knew I was there, and because of that I felt like a voyeur, watching people's lives proceeding without my own doing the same. I went everywhere, into the Tuckshop, out again, up to the Cricket Pitch, around and back, somehow, not once did I bump into anyone. I was a wraithlike alien in human guise and it was a humbling experience, a realisation of my own unimportance in other people's lives. Their lives were a stream and mine a thin wire stretched taut and vertical in the stream. I could feel the stream's passage, but had no influence over it.

After dinner, my mind even more thoroughly deactivated, I finished the book and was left with one and a half hours to fill. I put my bag on the table, my feet on the bag, and leaned back in my flexible chair. My torso was horizontal, my feet above the level of my head, and my legs elegantly crossed at the ankles. As people passed I feigned a state of foppish relaxation even though I physically couldn't sleep.

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Inevitably the first passing teacher rose to the bait, Blazer hanging open, tie over one shoulder, feet on the table and chair finely balanced on two hind legs was something I had rightly guessed nobody in authority could pass by without mentioning.

“Feet off the table Hepton! Look alive!” I wondered what earthly good, that would do. Staring studiously at empty hands wasn’t going to speed the time either. With a sigh designed to sound resigned to the weaknesses of human nature, I swang my feet off the table and crashed the chair to a quadruped stance. Struck by an idea, I grabbed for my pencil case. I spent the last forty minutes cleaning my nails with a compass point.

A.H. (4G)

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**“FIRST YEARS”
NOVEMBER 29, 1989**

Drama is, of course, many things but it is principally an occasion, a celebration of joint creativity involving energy, movement, light, colour, music, spectacle, and above all enjoyment. It is quite simply stimulating entertainment. What the audience sees and responds to is only the tip of the iceberg: the planning, the writing, the construction of stage and scenery, the technical and lighting effects, the process of learning to perform, are all intense and time-consuming prerequisites for any production. It is as such no light undertaking. To rekindle such an endeavour when it has lain dormant for some years has of course its problems, but equally its opportunities: latent talent has new opportunity, there is sense of freshness, urgency and adventure and good-will and expectancy abounds.

Mr. Clough's stated intention was to provide something which would provide confidence and experience for potential actors and would be a good introduction for performers, technicians and musicians, so as to afford the audience a couple of hours' light-hearted entertainment. The end triumphantly justified its means.

“First Years” was original in the fullest sense: for Mr. Clough not only directed but produced an original script “in his own write”. This Ernie Wise job, however, certainly required no “guest artistes” as its success firmly rested on the exuberance, expertise and ability of the pupils themselves.

Beginning at an Old Boys' Reunion Day, the play traces the recreated sense of their schooldays recalled by a group of old friends who haven't met for forty years. The childhood memories were certainly generic ones, progressing from quivering first year initiation, through the academic hell of Latin verbs and the intimidating physical hell of Rugby humiliation, to sexual stirrings and juvenile rites of passage. In short, an affectionate look at formative experiences recognised by every generation present in the audience from authentic First Formers to my own father, who celebrated his eightieth birthday on the opening night of the run and enjoyed the show immensely without recourse to cheap nostalgia.

Despite a wide-spread belief to the contrary, it is not easy for boys to play “themselves” and for such parts to be brought off convincingly requires a rather strange form of expertise. Though many of the parts were recognisable schoolboy types, the vivacity of much of the playing produced genuine individual interest—none more so than Sam McGuinn's rubber-faced confusion in the role of Marshall, which captivated the audience by its instructive sensitivity, fine dramatic timing, sheer stage presence and his ability to create the illusion of being in and out of his trousers at the same time. Vying with him as the fulcrum of the first half of the show was the perky performance of James Newberry as the knowing and knowall Hancock.

The second, slighter, half of the show belonged principally to Matthew Binns, who brought both physical maturity and authoritative voice and presence to the role of Broomhead, the precocious adolescent whose precise and hard-edged deflation of the Biology “Sex-lesson” should serve as a warning to any

would-be woolly liberal patronisingly progressive 'educational' teacher.

Perhaps the most assured performance was that of Nick Hall as the games teacher, Mr. Hartley. Here was an actor at confident physical ease on stage and one equipped with the speaking intelligence and resonance of voice to embrace a demanding role. If the origins of the creation of the part owed something to a specific Wakefield prototype, the playing of the role embraced elements of a more familiar Ermysted's model without recourse to obvious caricature. Hall's measure of success was such that many in the audience wrongly thought the performer to be an actual adult staff member.

In addition to the original script, the music was written by Chris Illingworth and performed by himself on keyboard with Angus Crabtree on clarinet. The scenes changes time shifts were effected by the music and each character was individualised by his own particular theme. The jaunty lilting tone of the work perfectly captured the mood and humour of the action, and anyone wishing to recapture the pleasure of the performance can do so by purchasing the recorded cassette of the music.

But essentially the success of the evening was very much a corporate venture, underpinned by the sterling work of the stage crew headed by Messrs. McLean and Davies, the stroboscopic effects of the lighting department, the hard work of the supporting production team of Mr. Paley and Mrs. Muhlemann and not least the female help from Aireville School.

The production gave enormous pleasure far removed in its energy and engaging humour from, say, stilted, tableau School Shakespeare. It triumphantly established the fact of drama again at the school and provided the platform and apparatus for it. We now look forward with keen anticipation to the developed substance of it: First Years grow up, they become thankfully more than just Second Years.

G.L.T.

"FIRST YEARS"

An original comic play

Written and Directed by David Clough

CAST OF CHARACTERS

THE BOYS:
CRICHTON
MARSHALL

BRADLEY

HANCOCK
BROOMHEAD
VOLES
CRINGINGTON

Daniel Blackburn
Matthew Short
Sam McGuinn
Andrew Parkin
Mark Symes
James Newberry
Matthew Binns
Nathan Roberts
Patrick Thursby

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THE STAFF:

MR. HARTLEY (Games Master)

MR. GELDING (The Latin Master)

MR. QUIGLEY (The Deputy Head)

MR. GREEN (Junior Biology Master)

Nick Hall

Steve Sanders

James Hepton

Reuben Whittaker

Edward Pickles

THE GIRLS:

SHARON

DEBBIE

MICHELLE

TRACEY

Victoria Knight

Lisa-Jane Walton

Rachel Peel

Melinda Green

BRADLEY'S MUM

HANCOCK'S DAD and BILCOTES PROP.

MARSHALL'S DAD and BILCOTES PROP.

BROOMHEAD'S DAD

VOLES' DAD

BILCOTES' HOOKER

Victoria Knight

Edward Pickles

Reuben Whittaker

Craig Cartman

Alan Rankin

Jacob Whittaker

BACKSTAGE

Assistant Director

Assistant Producer

Stage Manager

Original Music

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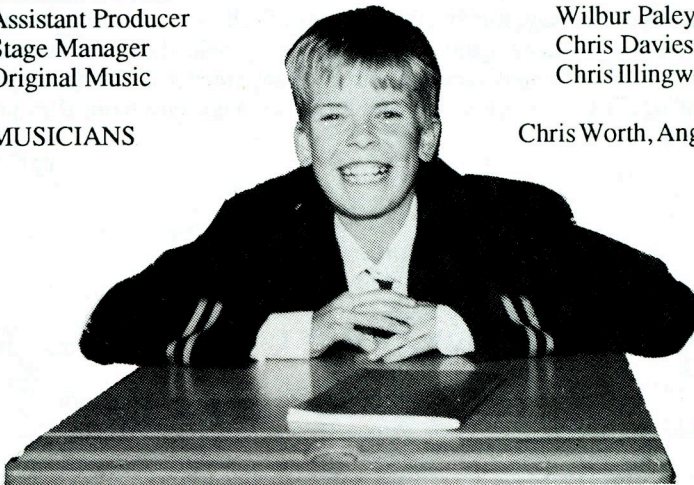
Wilbur Paley

Chris Davies

Chris Illingworth ACAM

MUSICIANS

Chris Worth, Angus Crabtree



Sam McGuinn



Patrick Thursby Daniel Blackburn Matt Binns James Newberry



Matthew Short P. Thursby Nick Hall Nathan Roberts

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CHRISTMAS MUSIC CONCERT

December 19, 1989

Despite the fact that many were struck down with 'flu and other viruses and the Music Master was several degrees under, the concert went ahead. It was understandably a little low key and this was particularly evident with the brass band who did not show their usual exuberance. Perry in particular endeavoured to keep the band up to the mark, emphasising what a superb trumpeter he is. Particularly was this so in the selection of carols.

The choir opened the programme with a narrated musical work by John Rutter, who seems to excel when it comes to carol settings and arrangements. The theme of this work was the need on the part of Brother Heinrich to write something extra special for the Christmas music festivities and with the aid of the Donkey he manages just this. Nicholas Hall was very competent as the Narrator, being and now much used to holding a captive audience.

Various soloists displayed the progress they are making, notably Gareth Johnson who showed plenty of resilience and competence in his rendering of the Introduction and Allegro by Senaille. John Collyer, once he overcame his nervousness, performed capably the Aubade by Sparke on his euphonium. Daniel Maude undaunted by the disappearing music stand demonstrated the art of trill in the Trumpet Tune by that fine 18th century English composer Maurice Greene.

At the keyboard there were solos on the piano by Nicholas Lane playing 'The Schoolmaster' by Lutoslawski and Alastair Newstead an Entree by Handel. Both obviously have a lot of musical talent but did seem rather anxious to leave the piano stool as quickly as possible. Martin Collinson capably performed Stanford's Postlude on the organ. The three then combined for a trio on the piano, 'The Secret' by Gautier. Their ensemble work was commendable.

After the interval there was a Bach orchestral piece which rather stretched their resources but manfully they kept going and then the Brass Band concluded the evening with a work by Albinoni and a mixture of carols.

The audience appreciated the hard work put into the concert and responded generously.

PROGRAMME

December 19, 1989

CHOIR	Brother Heinrich's Christmas By John Rutter Narrator—Nicholas Hall
B FLAT SOLO	Gareth Johnson Introduction and Allegro Spiritoso By Senaille
PIANO SOLO	Nicholas Lane The Schoolmaster By Witold Lutoslawski

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EUPHONIUM SOLO

John Collyer
Aubade By Philip Sparke

3 CELLOS

M. Parry, T. Parry, H. Davies
Andante String Quartet in A Minor by Schubert
"Matchstalk Men and Matchstalk Cats and Dogs"
By M. Coleman and B. Burke.

ORGAN

Martin Collinson
Postlude—founded on old Irish church melody
By Standford

TRUMPET SOLO

Daniel Maude
Trumpet Tune By Maurice Greene

PIANO SOLO

By Alastair Newstead
Entree By Handel

SIX HANDS
FOR PIANO

M. Collinson, A. Newstead, N. Lane
"The Secret" By L. Gautier

I N T E R V A L

ORCHESTRA

Arioso By J. S. Bach

BRASS BAND

Adagio By Albinoni
"Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas"
By Martin and Blane

Carols—"O Come all Ye Faithful"
"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

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EASTER CONCERT—April 5, 1990
PROGRAMME

CHOIR:

“A Spring Garland” by Eric H. Thiman

1. Spring the Sweet Song—Thomas Nash
2. It was a Lover and His Lass—Shakespeare
3. The Peaceful Western Wind—Thomas Campion
4. Spring Goeth All in White—Robert Bridges
5. Spring Bursts Today—Christina Rossetti
6. An Easter Carol—17th Century

SAXOPHONE SOLO S. J. Baldwin

1. Morning Glory
2. Set Free by Graham Lyons

VIOLIN DUET A. D. Mason, D. J. Kershaw

First Movement

Sonata in G—J. B. Loeillet

FLUTE SOLO—M. J. Rich

Larghetto, Gavotte and Minuet

Sonata in C Major by Handel

BASS QUARTET D. Maude, M. Collinson,
J. R. Collyer, G. R. Johnson

Brass Polka by Joseph Horovitz

PIANO SOLO D. E. Feather

Prelude in B Flat by Rachmaninoff

I N T E R V A L

ORCHESTRA

Three Pieces from Swan Lake By Tchaikowsky

1. Scene
2. Dance of the Swans
3. Waltz

B FLAT BRASS SOLO G. R. Johnson

Salute D'Amore by Elgar

PIANOFORTE DUET A. J. Newstead, N. J. Lane

March of the Tin Soldiers by Leon Jessel

CLARINET SOLO J. Foster

Adante Ballade by N. Gade

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PIANOFORTE SOLO D. C. Smith
French Suite No. 2 In C Minor by J. S. Bach

BRASS BAND

1. March Prelude by Edward Gregson
 2. One Day in Your Life by Darrol Barry
- Soloist—M. Collinson

INFORMAL CONCERT OF MUSIC FOR SPEECH DAY

July 10, 1990

PROGRAMME

TREBLES & ALTOS Marching through Georgia—American Civil War
OF THE CHOIR

O Lovely Peace—G. F. Handel
Sound the Trumpet—Henry Purcell
Donkey Riding—Lancs. Sea Song

TRUMPET SOLO—MATTHEW PERRY

Winner of Senior Music Prize 1st Movement Trumpet Concerto—
Hummel

PERCUSSION SOLO—ANTHONY COPNALL

Winner of Junior Music Prize The Swan—Saint-Saens

TROMBONE SOLO—PETER LAWSON

Winner of Skipton Council Shield “Ase’s Death” from Peer Gynt Suite—
Grieg

PIANO SOLO—DANIEL FEATHER

Winner of Doris Altham Barker
Prize for Musical Achievement 3rd Movement Sonata in A minor
K310—Mozart

EUPHONIUM SOLO—JOHN COLLYER

Scherzando from Euphonium Sonata—Ernest Young

ORCHESTRA

Neighbours—Tony Hatch and Jackie Trent
The Ash Grove—arr David Stone

BRASS BAND

March of the Serious Young Men

Dance of the Happy Old Gentlemen—Eric Ball

Jamaican Rumba—Arthur Benjamin

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December, 1989

M. D. Parry	Cello	Grade Two—Merit
T. M. Perry	Cello	Grade Four—Pass
H. G. Davis	Cello	Grade Four—Pass
M. D. Perry	Trumpet	Grade Eight—Distinction
J. Collyer	Euphonium	Grade Seven—Pass
M. Collinson	Organ	Grade Six—Merit
A. McKinnon	Theory	Grade Five—Pass
G. Johnson	Theory	Grade Five—Distinction
N. Binns	Euphonium	Grade Four—Merit

May, 1990

M. J. Broadley	Trumpet	Grade Four—Pass
N. C. Gardiner	Cornet	Grade Two—Pass
C. M. Harris	Baritone	Grade Three—Distinction
P. G. Lawson	Trombone	Grade Two—Pass
A. P. MacKinnon	Trumpet	Grade Six—Merit
A. M. Pickles	Euphonium	Grade Three—Merit
M. J. Robinson	Cornet	Grade Three—Pass
G. H. Smith	Trumpet	Grade Three—Merit
S. B. Smith	Tenor Horn	Grade Two—Pass
C. Squires	Tenor Horn	Grade Four—Pass
P. R. T. Sharp	Piano	Grade Five—Merit
N. G. Townson	Trumpet	Grade Three—Merit

July 1990

P. Butterfield	Violin	Grade Two—Merit
D. Feather	Double Bass	Grade Eight—Merit
A. Gill	Violin	Grade Two—Pass
C. Harris	Baritone	Grade Four—Merit
R. Hope	Oboe	Grade Four—Pass
A. Newstead	Viola	Grade Three—Pass
M. Roodhouse	Violin	Grade Two—Pass
M. Wilkinson	Tuba	Grade Six—Pass

FRENCH EXCHANGE TRIP 1990

On a cool grey May morning a group of 48 girls and boys and several members of staff set off excitedly and perhaps a little apprehensively from Aireville Park carpark for Arras in Northern France. The coach was a splendid double-decker with super facilities on board. We were entertained with good videos and games of cards for much of the journey and the coach was very comfortable. We were glad to arrive safely in Arras and to meet the families of our correspondents after about 10 hours in the coach.

My hosts lived in a fairly new house on the outskirts of Arras in a little village. I was made very much a part of the family and participated in their activities at the weekend. It was interesting to try several new foods during my stay. I particularly enjoyed our trip to Bruges at the weekend. It is known as the “Venice of the North” and specialises in hand-made lace. We went on a boat trip and a horse-drawn carriage. This enabled us to see all the sights and old canal system.

We had some excursions as a group. We had a tour of Paris by coach and saw all the sights that were to be seen. We took a trip round La Défense, a new business centre in Paris. During our free time in Paris we visited the Centre George Pompidou. Some of us managed to go to the top on the escalators and from there we could see a wide view over central Paris. We also had trips round Arras on foot and visited the underground caves or Les Souterrains. Sight-seeing in Arras included climbing the Beffroi, an old Belfry. There was also a Reception for us at the old Town Hall where we had speeches and light refreshments.

The most relaxing trip perhaps was to Bellewaerde in Belgium, a theme park with many rides. There were several rides that were very good and a large roller coaster.

We spent some time at the Lycee College Gambetta and watched a film. The main feature of the school is perhaps the CDI. This is large library and study area for the students. There are staff in there from morning to night six days a week! There is a research section for students doing projects etc. The School itself is quite dull but very very big and has around nineteen hundred pupils. The School did all it could to make us feel welcome and we were all impressed by their eagerness to further their friendships with us.

I'm sure that everyone benefitted enormously from the exchange both from the language aspect and socially. We would like to thank the members of staff who organised and supervised the trip and hope it will be repeated next year.

J.R.C. (2K)

LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

Miscellaneous Activities

In November Fifth and Sixth Form Students attended an intensive German course at the High School.

Sixth Formers visited Salford University for a “German Day” in January.

Second Form pupils entertained guests from Arras in October.

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SKIPTON - SIMBACH, 1989

At last we saw the signs leading into Simbach and, after 24 hours of a gruelling journey, we pulled up in the car parks of the Tassilo-Gymnasium School in Simbach and a large group of German families gathered round. This was it—we were in Simbach!

The next day, after recovering in our German homes from the long journey, we all met at 7.45 a.m. for the beginning of school, after washing up as early as 6 a.m.!! This was normal for the Germans but for me at least it needed some getting used to!

The morning started with a welcoming ceremony, with speeches and exchanges of gifts. After lessons, we all made the steady climb to top of the Schellenburg hill where we had a slightly hazy but still impressive view of the surrounding area. On the way down, back to school, we visited a small church which is hidden in the forest.

Tuesday dawned and we all met at the School for a tour of Simbach and Braunau, the larger town just across the River Inn in Austria. First stop was the Museum of Simbach where we heard about and saw exhibits exploring Simbach's history. Then we went to the immaculate Town Hall where our photograph was taken and speeches were made.

We crossed the beautiful River Inn to Braunau fortunately the weather was perfect so many photographs were taken. Once in Braunau, a visit to the old Catholic Church was made which revealed some local history as well as showing some great architecture. There we saw the building which gives Braunau a certain notoriety—Hitler's birthplace.

After our tour of Braunau we were allowed to wander around by ourselves giving us the perfect opportunity to try out our German.

The next day was our first excursion which took us to the Chiensee—Bavaria's largest lake. We were again blessed with glorious weather and we were able to obtain magnificent views of the Alps. Our trip took us by boat to the island of Ludwig II (who was king of Bavaria) and his unfinished palace. It was modelled on Versailles but, according to our guide of the palace, "He was only there for ten days, then he went away, then he died."

On Thursday, with glorious weather yet again, a trip was made to Salzburg, on the edge of the Alps in Austria. Our first visit was to the incredible gardens of the Hellbrunn Palace, built in the 1700's, which had hidden fountains everywhere with the sole purpose of getting everyone wet. After that, we drove into the centre of the town and were allowed to wander freely round the shops and sights.

Our last trip, on Friday, took us to Passau, the town famed for its three rivers, the Inn, Danube and Ilz which merge at the town. Unfortunately, although we had the hottest October ever known to Bavaria, it was much colder and foggier as we made our way to the Castle of Passau. From there, one usually gets a view looking down on the three rivers but this was impossible as the fog was too dense.

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At the weekend, it was the family programme and people visited Munich, Burghausen and other sights. In the evening was a party which the teachers gate-crashed!

On Monday, everyone woke knowing there was not very long left. In the morning a treasure hunt was organised around Simbach—answers in German!

The afternoon was perhaps the climax of the holiday—the international football and volleyball matches.

In scorching weather, England fought well and hard but lost 4-0 at football.

The girls has more success; despite having never played the game before they lost by 2 sets to 1.

Thanks to Mr. Dawson, Mrs. O'Connell, Mr. Gill and Mrs. Bendall for a most enjoyable and well organised holiday.

A.G.C. (4W)

JOINT SIXTH FORM ART AND DESIGN TRIP

November 1989

The first of two exhibitions we were to see at the Academy showed work by Paul Gauguin and other artists of the Pont-Aven School of Brittany. The intention of the exhibition was to show a number of important themes that appeared in French art towards the end of the 19th Century, in particular, Synthetism. Synthetism was a programme devised by Gauguin which was used to represent the artist's idea of how a subject should be shown, instead of how it looked in reality.

The majority of the exhibits were etchings in one form or another. This is a method whereby a metal plate, usually copper, is coated with a resinous ground which is resistant to acid. The linework is then scratched on to the plate with a needle, exposing the metal underneath. The plate is then placed in a bath of acid here the exposed metal is corroded. Other media included drypoint, aquatint, lithography, woodcut and zincography.

Unfortunately, the exhibition was far from impressive. Indeed, it was not only the basic quality of the exhibits themselves, but also the poor layout and display of these, which produced a mostly negative reaction from most of the party.

Fortunately, the Academy was also showing an exhibition entitled 'The Art Of Photography' which proved to be more popular. The exhibition covered the history of photography, its styles and trends, from 1839 up until 1989—the present day. A tremendous variety of subjects were covered from portraits and landscapes, to inner vision and scenes of conflict. I thought a section of panoramic landscapes by Watkins, taken in the Yosemite National Park, America had the edge on the other prints on show. The black and white images were surprisingly sharp, and showed the natural beauty and awe inspiring nature of the region. Regrettably, time was not on our side, many of us decided to leave for lunch, before pressing on to the Design Museum.

The Design Museum is situated on the South Bank of the Thames, not far from Tower Bridge. The exterior of the building would not look out of place on

the Mediterranean, its walls being of a pure white aspect; indeed once inside, you can't help noticing the very clinical nature of the interior. The exhibitions are spread over three floors.

The ground floor contains the foyer, a horrendously expensive cafeteria, as well as a small selection of posters and other graphic pieces from past displays. Probably the most obscure thing about the ground floor is the well disguised bookshop, or should that be shelf, which can be found behind the desk near the entrance.

The first floor was a great improvement. The displays on this floor were temporary additions to the museum. Topics covered included the new Citroen XM, a display of the evolution of advertising for household products, a range of electronic gadgets from Sony, and an extensive audio/visual display of the Channel Tunnel project.

The top floor is a permanent display of household objects and how design has changed over the years. Objects include such things as the chair, the kettle, and the telephone as well as other, less mundane objects.

The top floor also houses a range of computers which can be used by visitors as an electronic guide book to the top floor. The systems provide a more detailed analysis of all the objects on display, as well as showing exactly where they are found.

Probably the most entertaining thing about the museum is the interactive video display. This allows the user to design his own toothbrush, which involves quite a bit of thought if your newly formed company is to stay in the black and make a success of their amazing new design.

Overall, the trip was extremely worthwhile—being both entertaining and informative. A vote of thanks must be given to Mr. Cawood and Mr. Davies for the organisation and smooth execution of the trip.

P. H. (6MB)

ART APPRECIATION VISIT 1990

The morning started early, extremely early, round about 6 a.m. on the dark dismal morning of Thursday, February 1, we gathered on the platform of Skipton Station. The train was already there and waiting to be boarded, but we had to wait for the staff to make thier long awaited arrival? The train was eventually boarded and it departed for Leeds (on time at 6.15).

On arrival at Leeds at about 7 o'clock we immediately boarded the "Yorkshire Pullman" (a train!). The carriages looked brand new with plush upholstery and tables between alternate seats and even a telephone. The train departed on time at 7.15. During the journey to London cards, walkmans and books were a must for passing the time. As people peered out of the windows England's countryside flashed by at over 100 mph.

After a journey of 2 hours and 5 minutes through dull and boring countryside we arrived in the sprawling metropolis of Britain's "Big Apple" (London). On leaving our train we headed straight for the Underground and a Victoria Line train bound for Pimlico.

From the burrowing tunnels of the Underground we surfaced and walked to the Tate Gallery going in the rear entrance for some reason unknown to us. We were then shown into the main display areas, we then split up into groups of 2 or 3 and walked round the gallery with pads, pencils and cameras at the ready. For the unlucky people without cameras the very expensive souvenir shop was available. The shop presented a wide range of items including posters, postcards, art literature and other memorabilia. After 3½ hours of studying classic art, grumbling stomachs echoed round the gallery, as they knew it was lunch time. After consuming our lunches another half an hour was given to us for a last look round and to scribble notes and diagrams.

After leaving the Tate Gallery we re-entered the bustling world of the Underground at Pimlico for the tube to Tower Hill not knowing what was going to happen. At Victoria the next station along the line, everybody on the two trains in the station was evacuated due to a bomb scare. From here we had to trek about 1 mile to Westminster passing by Big Ben and The Houses of Parliament dodging black taxis and big red buses.

On arriving at Westminster Underground Station, with aching legs and calf muscles we got onto a train to Tower Hill for the Design Museum, which we reached after walking across the famous Tower Bridge.

The first floor was full of up to date and also futuristic vehicles and household equipment. The second floor contained mainly things from the past but there were also some Macintosh Computers for the visitors. After 1½ hours of looking through the ages of science and technology it was back off to Tower Hill and get back to Kings Cross.

All the usual activities were partaken on the train back to Leeds. From Leeds we boarded our Skipton bound train and got into Skipton on time at 9.17. Altogether this was a long but enjoyable day out.

R.B. (5W)

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

When I followed Kath Scarborough into the chair of the Parents Association I had to admit to certain misgivings. Kath and her committee had broken all records and here I was following all she had achieved. With the country facing high interest rates, mortgages spiralling and money at a premium my fears could not have been further from the truth. Why was this so? Because Ermysted's Grammar School is special, the staff, the parents and most of all the boys—they are all special. The result—another record year and Alison Turner started it all. Last year she had organised a Christmas raffle raising in excess of £1,000 and this year Alison topped that. I sincerely hope she can keep up this momentum.

The second major fund-raiser was the Summer Fair. Planning had started in January when the weather was wet and windy. July 7 proved to be the same. For the first time in fifteen years the fair had to be held inside and as the morning progressed and the rain increased, so did the problems. What goes where? Do we have this? Do we have that? The result—a record Summer Fair. In a little over two hours we raised almost £1500, or rather the wonderful parents and friends of Ermysted's Grammar School did. I didn't believe that such a rainy day could produce so much money but it was indeed raining pennies (or pounds) from Heaven! I do assure you that every penny will go back into School. As always you can pin-point one person amongst the helpers and this year it was Bob Garland. He organised all the helpers and spent a great deal of time on the telephone. I am absolutely indebted to him.

In amongst these events we held an auction and the annual joint dance with the Girls' High School. Whilst lesser events, they are important for "topping-up" revenue at the right time. It is worth remembering that while we make great efforts to raise money, the staff at Ermysted's under the watchful eye of the headmaster, rightly make efforts to spend it, and spend it they did, to the tune of £4,500.

The Development Fund Draw continues to be popular. A total of £535 was paid out in prizes and £535 was put into funds. Mary Binns organises the draw very efficiently and this is one aspect of the P.A. that we don't have to worry about. Many thanks, Mary.

One side of the Parents' Association which is always sad is that when the boys leave school, willing parents go too. This year we lost our fair share. Kath Scarborough who was chairman for two years gave a massive contribution to school. Sue Rawstron likewise worked with telling effect. Sue was Parent Governor for the P.A. and I am sure she will also be missed at that level. Sue could always be seen at "Meet the Masters' Evenings", school plays, new parents evenings pouring out numerous cups of tea.

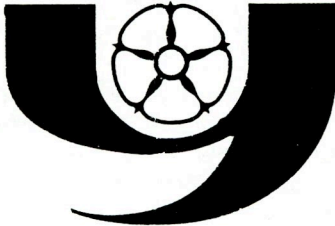
Phil Dunderdale—I describe him as a spender of money and a putter up of bunting. He was always badgering the Headmaster to "spend, spend, spend"! His heart was certainly in the right place. Hopefully we will all meet again in the newly formed Old Boys' Parents' Association.

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Finally, the Headmaster. What a marvellous person David Buckroyd is, it doesn't matter whether it is the most formal of evenings or washing up, David is always the same; humorous, caring and honest. Grateful thanks, David.

With another year ahead of us and then 1992 and the quincentennial, we have a lot to look forward to, but it is always worth remembering why we do it—the boys of Ermysted's Grammar School.

Michael Binns, Chairman.



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1992 AND ALL THAT!! (with apologies to 1066)

The European Economic Community has decreed that 1992 is the year we all get together like good friends, whether we like it or not!!

We may also find that our cousins across the Atlantic will decide to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the “discovery” of the “New World” by one Cristoforo Columbo (Christopher Columbus), itinerant sailor of Genoa.

We who have ties with Ermysted's know that the aforementioned events are but minor distractions compared with our celebration of the 500th anniversary of the “Last Will and Testament” of Peter Toller, who left monies for the upkeep of the school he had founded some time previously. The exact date of the founding of the school is unknown, but it is almost certainly that, even as you read this, the true Quincentenary date is past.

A joint Governors, Staff, Parents' Association and Old Boys' Society committee has been formed to plan 1992 celebrations. As I write this, things are starting to gel, and I can confidently forecast that in 1991 you will receive more correspondence from your officials than in any other previous year, although I must admit I cannot vouch for 1948.

Some decisions have already been made, these include:—

- (1) The Anniversary “Year” will commence on Founders' Day 1991 and will close on Founders' Day 1992.
- (2) The theme for the year will be “Commemoration and Celebration”.
- (3) The “Commemoration” aspect will need a major fund-raising effort, the target being the building of a new Sports Hall on the land behind the Swimming Baths, under the shadow of “The Top”. This will be the conclusion of proposals first put forward in 1980 and would enable much needed alterations to be made to the Craft, Design and Technology departments.

- (4) The "Celebration" aspect of the Quincentenary is still under consideration, amongst ideas being discussed are:—
An Anniversary Ball.
A Pageant written and performed by the Staff and the Boys.
A Celebration Garden Party.
An Anniversary booklet similar to that printed in 1948.
The commissioning of engraved Glassware.
An Anniversary logo competition for the boys.

So what does this mean so far as the Old Boys' Society is concerned?

It is estimated that upwards of £325,000 will be required for the Sports Hall project, so not unnaturally a professional body of Fund-Raisers will probably be engaged to co-ordinate and organise this effort, the sums and time involved are far too large for a totally voluntary group to undertake.

It is almost certain that Covenants will play an important part of the fund-raising, with H. M. Government subsidising the appeal.

A monthly covenant, before tax, of £10 over a 5 year period would raise £600 for the Appeal, for a personal outlay, at 25% tax level, of only £450 (£7.50 per month).

Whilst I appreciate that, for some of our younger members this monthly sum may seem high, I am also certain that for most of us it would create no problems at all, and for some members a larger sum may be possible.

Over the years the Old Boys' Society has had an unparalleled record for fund raising for School projects, the Memorial Hall is a case in point. Let us therefore try to make sure that once again the Old Boys' Society is in the forefront when the total income is finalised when the appeal is closed. If we could get the equivalent of 280 Old Boys to commit themselves to covenant that kind of donation we would raise £168,000, which would put us in line with the level of donations that our predecessors made to the Memorial Hall.

When one looks at the field of education it almost seems that a general decline in standards and facilities is becoming prevalent. From my observations and close contact with the Headmaster, Staff and Pupils over the last 3 years as your Chairman I can confidently report that, under the combined stewardship of David Buckroyd and Roger Whittaker, this is not happening at Ermysted's.

In closing, the Quincentenary Year is almost upon us, let's do everything that we, as Old Boys of Ermysted's can, to ensure that future generations of Boys and Staff will be able to look back and appreciate our efforts, as I know how the present incumbents of Ermysted's appreciate all that the Old Boys have done in the past.

So, please, let's put our hands in our pockets to further improve the facilities for present and future pupils at Gargrave Road.

Thanking you, in anticipation, for your ever generous support.

LEN PRICE

(Chairman, Old Boys Society)

OBITUARIES

ARTHUR C. COE (Aged 81)—A chartered accountant, Arthur set up the practice of Coe & Midgley in Otley Street in the 1930s. He was for many years a Governor of Ermysted's, and was Chairman of the Governors for over ten years, he was also Chairman of the Old Boys. Arthur was involved in many local organisations, often as their honorary auditor, and was President of Skipton Rotary Club in 1966-7. (A further appreciation will be found under "Ave Atque Vale").

KEN McCLURG (Aged 69)—Ken played full back for the school, but his sporting career was interrupted by the War, when he joined the Royal Navy. After the War he was instrumental in reviving many of the traditional local sports and shows, and was involved in many community activities.

HARRY M. GILL (Aged 93)—His teaching career began as long ago as 1914, as a student teacher at Brougham Street, remaining connected with the school—as Aireville—where he retired as Master-in-Charge in 1962. During the First World War he joined the RAF (then the Royal Flying Corps), and in the Second War was Flight Commander of the Town Corps of the Skipton ATC 264 Squadron. He was involved in many local groups, especially connected with music and drama.

Harry's two recent volumes upon "The History of Flasby" and "The History of Gargrave" filled an important gap in the local scholarly literature. His initiative in the organisation of the excavation of the Roman Villa at Gargrave was valuable, as was his continued kindness to the E.G.S. History Department in the provision of local material. [D.G.]

FRED PEACE (Aged 72)—Fred left school to go into accounting, at first in Keighley, then in Rossendale where he took up the position of secretary and director of David Whitehead's Ltd., textile manufacturers. During the War he fought in Africa and Europe, and was mentioned in despatches for distinguished service.

FRED HURST (Aged 70)—Fred joined the Yorkshire Bank on leaving school; at his retirement he was manager of their Knaresborough branch. In the War he was commissioned into the Duke of Wellington's Regiment.

RONNIE PARKER (Aged 75)—A former player with Skipton R.U.F.C., he was a founder member of Skipton Round Table and held prominent positions with the Chamber of Trade and the Rotary Club.

RALPH WILKINSON (Aged 65).

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KENNETH S. HUNT (Aged 81).

CHARLES GODFREY (BOB) HAMMOND MANN (Aged 81).

ARTHUR CECIL HARKER (Aged 84).

LAWRENCE IRWIN (Aged 73).

JONATHAN EDWARD POWELL (Aged 22)—Od Boy 1983-1985. Died January 23rd, 1990 in tragic circumstances.

MARRIAGES

Jonathan Earl to Miss Winefride Isabella Smith at St. Stephen's R.C. Church, Skipton.

Ian Summersgill to Miss Julie Elizabeth Thwaite at St. Aidan's Church, Hellifield.

Stephen Pope to Miss Jane Adele Thornton at St. Mary's Church, Long Preston.

Paul Boothman to Miss Denise Watson at Holy Trinity Church, Skipton.

Philip Dee to Miss Oonagh Bernadette Reilly at the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption, Beeston, Nottingham.

Jeffrey Taylor to Miss Sandra Jane Cousins at St. Nicholas' Church, Winsley, Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire.

Mark Toseland to Miss Fiona Jane Bradley at St. Michael's and All Saints' Church, Linton.

OLD BOYS' NEWS

Timothy Swinglehurst has been ordained as a Catholic Deacon in Rome.

Rick Holden became possibly the first Old Boy to play at Wembley, when he appeared for Oldham Athletic in the Littlewood's Cup Final against Nottingham Forest.

Stephen Pope is a Sales Manager with Interiors of Skipton.

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John Whitfield has gained his Ship's Master's Certificate from the Auckland Nautical School, New Zealand.

Roger Ingham recently was the runner-up in the Foster's B.B.C. Sports Commentator of the Year, North East Regional Final.

Philip Dee has gained an M.Sc. in Nuclear and Particle Physics from the University of London.

J. D. Taylor is a stockbroker with Dillon Read of London.

John Brown has been appointed Headmaster of Cononley Primary School.

Jimmy Mason won the Bronze Medal for the Junior Shotput at the A.A.A. Indoor Championships at R.A.F. Cosford.

Richard Mashiter has been appointed Assistant Genral Manager (Commercial Lending) with Skipton Building Society.

Peter McCarthy was selected for the England 18 Group Squad (Rugby Union).

Harry Crabtree, Chief Environmental Health Officer for Craven D.C., has been appointed its first Head of Paid Service, responsible for the co-ordination of council policies and staffing matters.

Adrian Rooke hs gained a B.Sc. in Accounting and Data Processing at Leeds University.

John Hartley, a former head boy, has qualified as a Doctor at St. Mary's Hospital School, London, and is to become a Surgical Houseman at St. Mary's.

Martin Capstick is an Executive Officer with the Department of Transport.

Declan Hayes toured France with the North of England Under 21's Rugby Squad.

Tom Bentley, who as head boy in 1933 read one of the lessons at the ceremony to open the "New Block" (Rooms A to H and Laboratories), visited the School whilst on holiday from Australia.

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“Forty Years On” (continued)

Reminiscences of Geoff Ridge E.G.S. 1941-49

The bell to start and end classes was manually operated and situated outside the Teachers' Common Room opposite the Geography Room (now the Staff Study) door, with the all-important clock on the wall above. Sixth formers rang the bell on a rota system and probably, like me, felt for the first time real **power** under our finger tips; even the headmaster took notice and action when I rang that bell . . .

That corner was in view clearly from the Sixth Form chemistry lab. at the diagonally opposite corner of the rectangle comprising two floors of classrooms, woodwork room, art room (hidden, top corner) chemistry lab., (no biology lab. in those days) and physics lab. This was useful because as a somewhat irresponsible scientist I always got involved doing chemical experiments which “WAB”. our chemistry master W. A. Beattie, warned us never to try because of the dangers—and we had an invaluable two-minute warning before WAB arrived from the staff room.

I am missing six teeth which disintegrated following excessive exposure to mercury and phosphorus compounds, and I at one stage filled the corridors along to the staff room (the prevailing wind was the wrong way when we had to open the lab. outside windows plus the swivel windows to the corridors, because it was killing us) with phosphorus oxide fumes. WAB emerged from the staff room to take a fifth form lesson and his nostrils quivered like a bloodhound's nose, and he unerringly made a bee-line for me. We settled it amicably enough.

Other adventures included an exercise involving a black powder, safe while damp but super-detonator sensitive when dry (no further details—experts will know it) and of which I smeared a tiny amount on the blackboard . . . when WAB arrived it had dried. When he wrote on the board it banged like a demented Chinese cracker. Give his his due, he identified the compound and culprit in one, and offered me the duster to clean the board. I got singed knuckles to the sustained applause of my colleagues. Undeterred, we made a larger quantity and left it to dry on a filter paper in a cupboard. Problem was, when dry, we couldn't go near the staff or we'd have had our hands blown off . . . so I threw a solid hymn book into the cupboard right on the powder (I don't know what I have against hymn books—I think they must merely be comfortably solid and therefore most useful in many ways). There was an impressive explosion which blew a hole into the book, and for all I know the scorch marks may still be visible in that cupboard.

School Notes

Mrs. Keane, Mrs. Higson and Mrs. Muhleman have assisted us with lessons during the year. Their efforts to civilise the Staff Room have perhaps been less effective than has their teaching.

Mr. J. Padgett, Workshop Technician, has retired after many years of service. We wish him every happiness in his retirement.

The Annual Remembrance Ceremony was held in the Memorial Hall on Friday, 10th November. It proved a moving occasion, both for those Old Boys who had individual friends and relatives to remember and for later generations who appreciated, each in his own way, the significance of the events concerned.

We greet our fraternal contemporary magazines "Snewsweek" from 6Mb, and "IV Special". We have, as usual, looted them for copy with neither reservation nor shame: That's business!

There were 489 boys on the roll in September 1989.

Most Fourth Formers took part in the Work Experience Scheme from 16th-20th July. Andrew Burns (4G), on Work Experience at the "Craven Herald", did a survey of Summer visitors and had it published.

John Lovell (5X) had an article published in a rugby match programme: Surprisingly this related to the contest between Canterbury and Scotland at Christchurch, New Zealand.

Mrs. Perry and the Canteen Ladies issued a questionnaire relating to School Meals. They have since made even greater efforts than before to give good value and to put themselves to yet more trouble on our behalf, despite difficulties caused by "privatisation".

The "Tuck Inn" also issued a questionnaire, "to help keep up to date with your needs". The Fourth Year Business Studies Group runs this enterprise.

There were some memorable Form Assemblies. 3D's enactment of the demolition of the Berlin Wall was one of the best. Few groups had to be baled out by the staff: 4G was one of them!

An essay competition, subject "Why Town Twinning?", was won by Stephen Green (6Mb), with Nick Hall (6Mb) as runner-up. The prize was a week's holiday in Simbach.

The Handicapped Children's Party was again held in December. Many boys helped to entertain the guests and Mrs. Gracie and Mrs. Scales ran a quiz to contribute to the funds. Other income came from the profits on form magazines.

A new edition of the blazer badge is in circulation. Whilst it is historically more accurate than the old one, some think the golden "monkey wrenches" upon it are somewhat heavy-handed.

Mr. D. J. Morton is helping to administer the Poll Tax ("as we are ordered to call it") in Leeds.

Rev. S. Westley is preparing a Doctoral Thesis on "Medieval Heresy in France".

The last "Alphas, Betas and Gammas" (effort grades) were awarded in the Summer; in future there will be a four-tier division, A-D.

The Editor accepts full responsibility for printing errors. At least "Easter Concept", for "Easter Concert" in 1988-89, page 20, was marginally better than the nightmarish spectre of "University and Polytechnic Lust". Contributors will greatly assist the Editor if they sharpen their shovels before beginning to write.

New Report Folders were provided for the 4th Form, as a pilot project: Ultimately all pupils will have these. New and interesting features are a pupil Self-Assessment and an Agreed Statement compiled by each pupil jointly with his Form Tutor.

The secondary schools of Skipton and Threshfield presented a Festival of Arts in Skipton Town Hall on November 14th; the production was well received by press and public alike.

Tom Bramley (6Sa) and Steven Sanders (6Sa) appeared on the TV quiz "Blockbusters". Apart from not knowing who William Ermysted was, they did well.

37 walkers from the school raised over £400 in the Christian Aid Walk in Autumn 1989.

Form 2A organised a recovery process for aluminium drink cans.

An activity, alleged by the survivors to have been hockey, has occasionally been seen on the Top. A Senior team drew with Harrogate G.S. in a more orthodox variant of the game.

Daniel Feather and Jan Thirkettle received Gold Awards in the Duke of Edinburgh's Scheme.

Azif Omar (3x) was judged to have made the best speech in the Youth Speaks Competition, organised by Skipton Building Society; his speech concerned the Salman Rushdie affair.

Daniel Stephens (5C) took 9 wickets for 13 runs for the First XI against the staff in the annual conflict. He may be assured this exploit will not be forgotten!

The Champion House Trophy (i.e. Cook Cup) for 1989-90, which embraces all sporting and scholastic activities, was awarded to Toller House. The results (adjusted to reflect House sizes) were:—Tollar 46½ points; Hartley 37 points; Ermysted 25½ points; Petyt 21 points.

J. Tiffany will be Head Boy next year. R. M. Kozlowski will be his Deputy.

Culled from the Corridors

“a word for a boring teacher is Pedagod”.

“there were two holes above each other”.

“the soldiers mounted their bayonets”.

“Church-going on Sundays was compulsive”.

“Q—What did Lloyd George propose in the 1909 Budget?
A—To increase death rates”.

“Ermustdes Grammer School, Jargrave Road, Skipton”.

Gems from First Form History Exams

“The chief priest dessicates and destroys his own pagan temple”.

“At the Synod of Whitby, most of the talking was done by Wilfred, Bishop of Wigan”.

“If a Roman Citizen went North of Hadrian’s Wall, he could no longer rely on Roman Law to help him, if for e.g., he was killed”.

“Once Pope Gregory the Great got struck by some fair-haired boys and he was so shocked by this that he informed St Augustine to send missionaries”.
(I blame the teacher, Ed.).

Twenty Five Years Ago

(Based upon the “Chronicles” of 1964-5)

The Old Boys’ rugby match was cancelled due to flooding and there were snow drifts on the Cross Country course in March.

Several masters and boys participated in “call-outs” with the Upper Wharfedale Fell Rescue Association.

A “mock election” was held to mirror the national one in 1964. The Liberals won, with Conservatives second. Voting was open to Fourth Form and above.

The Annual Cross Country Concert was held for the fiftieth and last time. A review held on Cross Country Evening, it was apparently considered too satirical (even for the 1960s!).

The First XV won 13 of its 16 games and drew one. It was led by J. M. Harrison of Threshfield, who was Captain of Yorkshire Schoolboys and Vice-Captain of England Schoolboys.

There was a whole day’s holiday to celebrate the 750th Anniversary of the Sealing of the Magna Carta.

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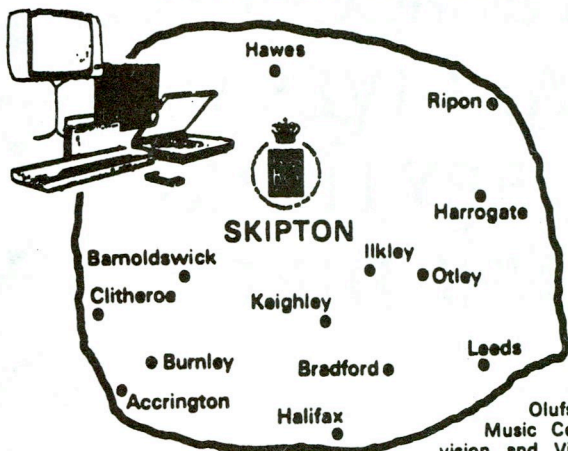
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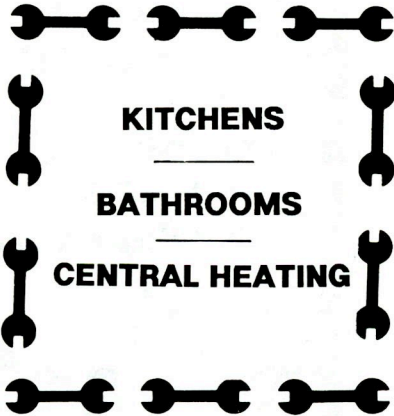
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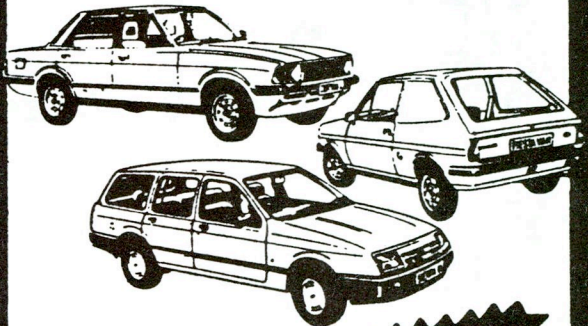
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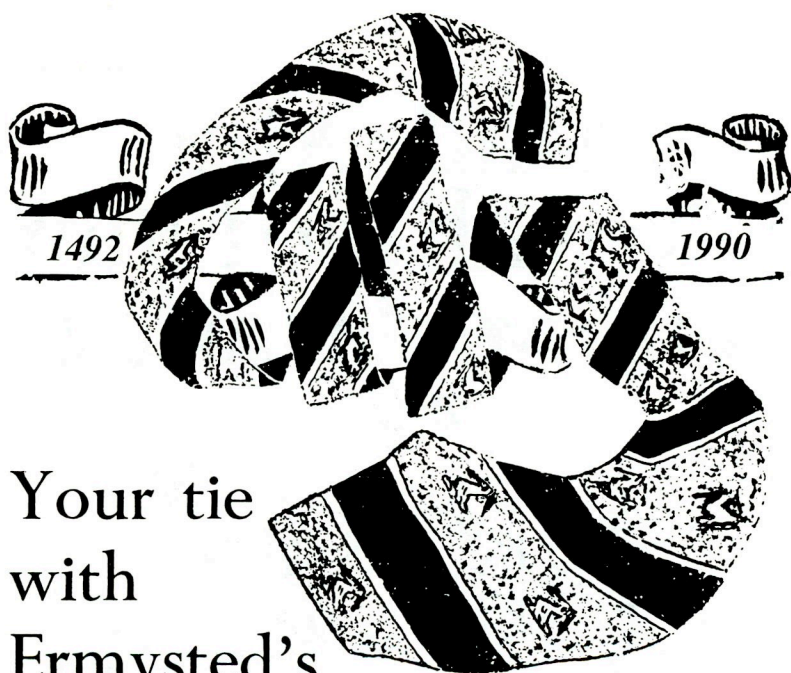
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“Chronicles” and “Calendars” pre 1945

Photographs representing named persons

Copies of A.M. Gibbon’s “History of E.G.S.”

Boys’ Notebooks, Workbooks and Emphemera

Memories of School Life

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