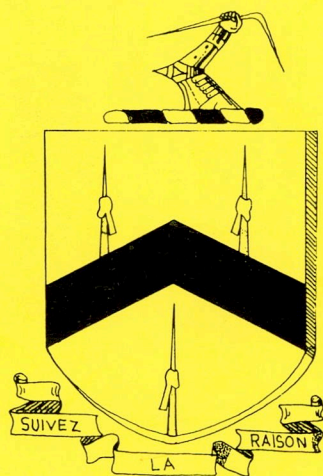


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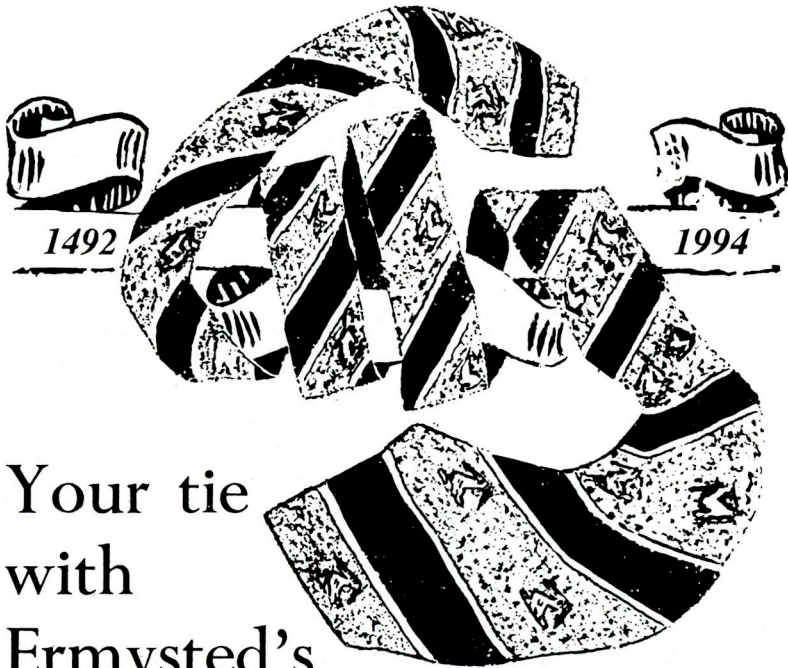


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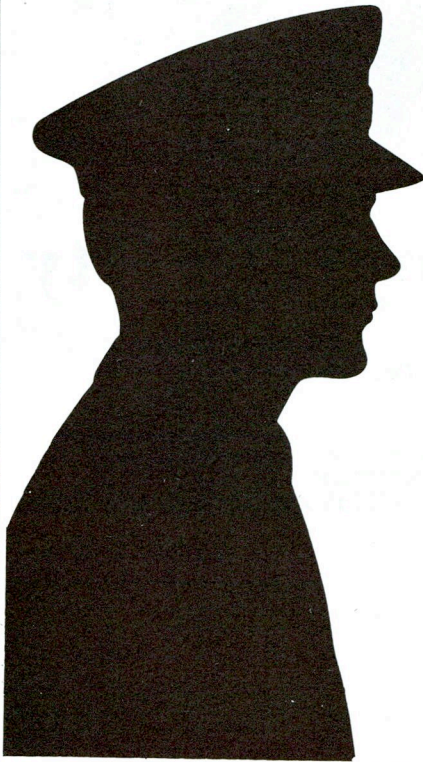
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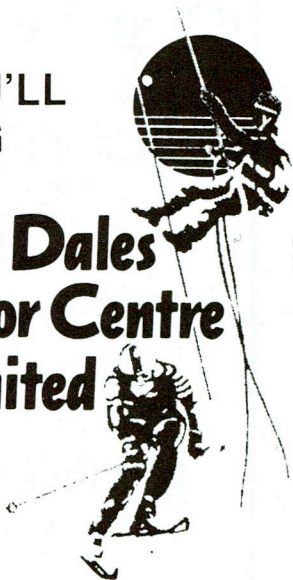
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Ave S.H.

Mr. Howarth joined the History Department in September 1993. As an old boy of E.G.S. he had been taught History by his predecessor Mr. Varley. In his final year at school he was Deputy Head Boy, Head of Petyt and captained the 1st XV from centre. He read for his degree at Newcastle University and then went on to attain his teaching certificate at Leeds University. His first teaching post was at Wellington School on the Wirral followed by seven years at King Edward VII, Lytham. Here he taught History, Politics and Games and renewed his contact with E.G.S. through annual Rugby Fixtures between the schools. He is married and has a young son. His interests include walking, the Yorkshire Dales, Local History, food and rugby. Now approaching the status of 'veteran', he has played in Wharfedale's three league championship winning sides.

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(All arrived in September 1993 unless contrary is stated)

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| David James | Gerard | 1P |
| Timothy Lawrence Ingleby | Grainger | 1G |
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| Daud Ahmed | Hafiz | 6BB |
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| Jonathan | Harle | 1G |
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| James David | Parker | 1K |
| David Alexander | Pass | 1K |
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| James Oliver | Pickles | 1G |
| Jonathan | Pile | 1P |
| Kieran Peter | Potts | 1K |
| Motaz Talal Abdulla | Qadan | 4G |
| Matthew Stuart | Riley | 1G |
| Kieran | Ripley | 1P |
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| Matthew James | Smith | 1G |
| Andrew Malcolm | Smithson | 1P |
| Philip Arthur | Stansfield | 1P |
| Robert William | Stockdale | 1P |
| Iain Thomas | Strickland | 1P |
| Adrian Robert | Symonds | 1K |
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| Justin | Thomas | 1P |
| Jonathan Michael | Turner | 1G |
| Ian Michael George | Warburton | 1G |
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| Richard James | Warren | 1K |
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Vale, E.S.

E.S. was, to a degree very rare nowadays, a self-made man. Born in Saltaire, he left school at 16 and worked in the worsted industry, taking commercial courses at night school. He soon began to take lessons from local choirmasters and play the organ in local churches. After 2 years national service in the Pay Corps he took a part-time Music Teaching Diploma and began his teaching career at Otley Secondary School, soon to be “re-organised” in union with Prince Henry’s G.S. In 1969 he accepted the posts of Head of Music at E.G.S. and Choirmaster/Organist at the Parish Church.

“Eddie’s” impressive rows of qualifications, as seen in the Calendar, were mostly achieved through part-time study, though nowadays many candidates with less ability would proceed directly to full-time degree courses.

The achievement is yet more impressive when we consider the massive variety of his work. Each year there is a crop of instrumental certificates gained; there are three concerts per year, with varied programmes and often highly demanding choral works, old and new; Founders’ Day always requires its own music, as do such special events as the Pageant in 1992 and the Royal Visit. This complex of activities interlinks with work centred upon the Parish Church, where so many of our musicians receive their initial training. Several candidates have reached the last ten in the Choirboy of the Year competitions and the Church Choir, which includes many E.G.S. pupils, has performed in cathedrals from Inverness to Guildford, as well as at St. Paul’s and on the BBC’s “Songs of Praise” programme.

E.S. always displays great enthusiasm for his music whether choral or orchestral, whilst he conveys to those performing the same zeal to inspire them. As an accompanist who is called upon so often he is exemplary, coupling supreme sensitivity and lightness of touch on the keyboard. No task is too difficult and he has not been known to have played a wrong note with even the most demanding or fiendish work.

He has never been afraid to experiment with all periods and types of music and those in his charge have often undertaken compositions which have really stretched them, yet they somehow cope adequately. Over the years he has struggled with Philistinism and depleted numbers and it is to his credit that he always managed to present a good balanced programme.

It is his choral attributes that one associates most with him; he received a sound grounding through the R.S.C.M. which has been reinforced with time. He can take pride in having one of the best parish church choirs in the country able to sing full settings and anthems. Choristers have been encouraged where possible to bring fathers along to sing and many have maintained links with the church choir after leaving school and university. It is pleasing to know that he will continue to display his talents at Holy Trinity and that the choral tradition is in safe hands.



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LEAVERS 1993-1994

6A

All those listed as taking Advanced Level have left.

6B

George William BELLAS (9/88)

Michael Alan KNOWLES (9/88)

Paul Robert LAVEN (9/93)

Matthew Graham PLANT (9/88)

5D

David Mark BREWIN (9/90)

Dominic John PICKLES (9/89)

Daniel Edward SPOONER (1/91)

Jamie Allan VAN DYKE

Geoffrey Richard WARD (9/93)

Benjamin Newton WHITLEY (1/90)

5X

Colin Peter ROBERTS (9/89)

David WHINRAY (9/89)

3F

Glenn Robert FURNIVALL (9/91)

2J

Barry John GREENLAND (9/92)

1K

Matthew Ashley John DRIVER (9/93)

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| Key used: | |
| Art and design | adn |
| Eng Literature | eli |
| English Language | ela |
| General Studies | gt |
| History and Appreciation of Music | ham |
| French | fr |
| Economics | ec |
| History | hi |
| Further Maths | fm |
| Maths | ma |
| Geography | gy |
| German | gn |
| Design & Technology | cr |
| Physics | ph |
| Biology | bi |
| Chemistry | ch |
| Physics | ph |
| Latin | ltn |

*Indicates A grade

FORM 6AC:

Birch, J. M., ec, eli*, gt, gy*.
Cheung, Michael, ec, ela, gt, gy*
Green, David J., ela*, fr, gt*, gn.
Hanson, Robert S., eli, fr, gt*, gy.
Hodgson, Andrew M., ela, gy.
Hussain, Azhar M., ec, eli*, gt, ma*.
Lee, Jonathan J., ec, eli, gt*, gy.
Lister, David J., ela*, fr, gt, gy*.
Newman, Christopher W., ec, eli, gt, gy.
Pendle, James g., ela*, eli, gt, gy.
Racz-Clarke, Richard, gt, ph.
Squires, Christian N., ela, eli, gt, gy.
Steventon, Adam, ela, eli, gy.
Tarbett, Andrew J., adn, ec, ela, gt.
Tetley, Philip, ec, ela, gt, gy.
Watkins, Daniel, eli, gt.

FORM 6AH:

Claxton, David C., ela.
Donougher, Ian P., ec*, fm, gt*, ma*, ph.
Knapp, Thomas W., gt, gy*, ma, ph.
Laycock, Warwick, bi, gy.
Lusted, Alastair J., gt*, gy, ma, ph.
Parker, John R., ec*, fm, gt, ma.

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Peel, Andrew D., ec, gt, gy, ma.
Razaq, Fawad, ch*, fm, gt, ma, ph.
Schosland, Alexander, adn, ch, gt, ma.
Smethers, Gary D., ch*, fm, gy, ma, ph.

FORM 6AK:

Ahmed, Hamer N., bi*, ch*, gt*, ph.
Ayrey, Stewart R., ch*, gt*, ma, ph.
Brown, Andrew P., bi, ch, gt, ma.
Butterfield, Peter J., bi, ch, gt, ph.
Campbell, Christopher, ela, fr, gt, gy.
Coles, Henry J., bi*, ch*, gt*, ph.
Eddison, James A., ch, cr*, gt, ph.
Haggerty, Daniel C., ltn, bi, ch, gt.
McGuinn, Samuel C., bi, ch, gt, gy.
Nelson, Robert J., bi*, ch*, gt*, ma.
O'Regan, Paul, bi*, ch*, gt*, pk*.
Omar, Asif, bi, ch*, gt, ma, ph.
Smales, Andrew J., bi, ch.
Taylor, Allan R., bi, ch*, gt, ma.
Wilkinson, Mark C., bi*, ch*, gt*, ph*.

FORM 6AM:

Addison, Dominick J., ela, eli, gy.
Atkinson, Andrew J., ec, fr, gt, gy.
Binns, Nicholas T., ham, ela, gt.
Birch, Jason P., ela.
Dale, Nicholas E., ela, eli, gt.
Day, Rohan C., ec, fr, gt, gy.
Dolphin, Robert E., ec, gt, gy.
Firth, Benjamin R., ela, fr, gt, gn.
Gill, William R., ela*, fr, gt, gy.
Knowles, Anthony J., ela.
McNeill, Duncan J., ela, eli, gt, gy.
Parry, Michael D., ela, gt, gn, ma.
Rankin, Edward L., ec, ela, gt, gy.
Whittaker, Jacob D., ec, gt.

FORM 6AS:

Canny, Michael J., adn, cr, ela, gt.
Fawcett, James A., bi, ela*, gt, gy.
Goodburn, Paul, bi, cr, gt, gy.
Grindrod, Paul S., bi, ela, gt, gy.
Hirst, Dominic M., bi, ela*, gt, gy.
Kent, Mark A., ec, gt, gy.
Lavercombe, Damian F., bi*, ela*, gt, gy.
Richardson, C. C., bi, ela, gt, gy.
Simms, Aidan W., bi, ela, gt, gy.
Simpson, M. C., adn*, ela, gt, gy.
Topp, Rupert F., bi, gt.
Walker, Simon J., bi, ela, gt, gy*.
Whitfield, Benjamin M., bi, ela, gt, gy.

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G.C.S.E. Results 1994

(Grades A, B, C only)

Key used:

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| Art | ar |
| Art & Design | adn |
| Music | mu |
| Business Studies | bu |
| Biology | bi |
| Chemistry | ch |
| English Language | ea |
| English Literature | ei |
| Geography | gy |
| German | gn |
| Latin | la |
| Physics | ph |
| French | fr |
| Information Technology | it |
| History | hi |
| CDT-Design and Communication | cc |
| CDT (Design and Realisation) | dr |
| Religious Studies | rs |
| Mathematics | ma |

* Denotes Star Grades and A Grades.

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P. Gillings, adn, bi*, cr*, ch*, gy*, gn*, ma*, ph*, ea, ei*.
C. Harris, bi*, ch*, gy*, gn*, it*, la*, ma*, ph*, ea*, ei*.
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A. Mitton, bi*, ch*, gy*, gn*, it*, la*, ma*, ph*, ea, ei*.
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J. Wrathmell, bi*, dr*, ch*, gn*, hi*, la*, ma*, ph*, ea*, ei*.

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 D. Brewin, bi, ch, fr, gy, gn, ma*, ph, bu, ea, ei.
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 W. Day, bi, ch, fr*, gy*, gn*, ma, ph*, bu*, ea*, ei.
 M. Dean, adn, bi*, ch, fr, gy*, ma, ph*, rs, ea*, ei.
 C. Duke, bi*, ch, fr, gy*, hi*, it, ma, ph*, ea, ei.
 A. Edwards, bi*, ch, fr*, gy, ma*, ph*, rs*, ea, ei.
 I. Grannan, bi, ch*, fr*, gy*, hi, ma, ph*, bu* ea, ei.
 B. Harrison, bi, ch, hi, it, ma, rs, ea, ei.
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 P. Robinson, adn, bi*, ch*, fr*, gn*, hi, ma, ph, ea*, ei*.
 L. Salkeld, bi, ch, fr*, gy*, gn*, ma, ph, bu, ea*, ei*.
 G. Smith, bi*, ch*, gy*, gn, ma*, ph*, rs*, bu*, ea, ei.
 N. Thackray, adn*, bi*, ch*, fr*, gy*, gn*, ma, ph, ea, ei*.
 P. Thursby, adn*, bi*, dr*, ch*, fr*, gy*, ma*, ph*, ea, ei*.
 D. Tucker, adn*, bi*, ch*, fr*, gy*, gn*, ma, ph, ea*, ei*.
 D. Whinray, bi, ch, fr, gn, ma, ph, ea, ei.
 B. Wilson, adn, bi*, ch*, gy*, hi*, ma, ph, ea*, ei*.

FORM 6AM:

J. Whittaker, ma.

FORM 6BA:

J. Coward, ma.

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**Associated Board Royal Schools
of Music Examinations**

DECEMBER 1993

- M. D. J. Wibberley, Grade 3, trumpet, merit.
- W. A. Anderson, Grade 5, trumpet.
- J. B. Smith, Grade 2, trombone.
- T. J. Scargill, Grade 3, cornet.
- J. O. Burgess, Grade 3, baritone.
- C. Harris, Grade 6, baritone.
- A. S. Townson, Grade 3, cornet.
- M. R. Rundle, Grade 1, cello.
- B. A. Watson, Grade 5, clarinet.

MARCH 1994

- H. W. Smith, Grade 6, trumpet.
- G. H. Smith, Grade 6, trumpet.
- J. Wormald, Grade 8, E flat horn.
- S. Wherity, Grade 4, B flat horn.
- J. Greenwood, Grade 4, double bass.
- L. Taylor, Grade 5, B flat saxophone.

SUMMER TERM 1994

- S. Clarkson, Grade 3, saxophone, distinction.
- P. Jones, Grade 3, trombone.
- N. Jones, Grade 4, clarinet, merit.
- D. Hamilton, Grade 5, theory, distinction.
- R. Iles, Grade 3, trombone.
- W. Law, Grade 3, clarinet.
- L. Potts, Grade 3, clarinet.

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UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE LIST

October 1993

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| N. ANWAR | Sheffield Hallam University (Law) |
| D. APPELYARD | Birmingham University (Medicine) |
| S. H. G. BALDWIN | Dundee University (Medicine) |
| M. J. BINNS | Bradford College of Art. |
| D. M. BOLDY | Dundee University (English Literature) |
| A. I. BURNS | University of Humberside (Business Studies) |
| D. A. CARRUTHERS | Newcastle University (Chemistry) |
| D. R. COLLEY | York College of Art (Art & Design) |
| R. W. COOPER | Leeds University (Materials Science and Engineering) |
| A. G. COPNALL | Hull University (German and Scandinavian Studies) |
| J. P. DAY | Nottingham University (Law) |
| D. J. DINSDALE | Guildhall University, London (Economics) |
| I. H. DREW | Aberystwyth University (Law) |
| A. M. EMISON | UMIST (Communication and Control Engineering) |
| J. M. A. FOSTER | Liverpool University (Classical Studies) |
| D. J. GARDNER | Architectural Association, London (Architecture) |
| J. K. GEDDES | Durham University (Physics) |
| M. GOODBURN | Trent University, Nottingham (Design Studies) |
| I. J. GREAVES | Brunel University (Communication and Information Studies) |
| A. HAFIZ | University College, London (Medicine) |
| T. S. HARRISON | Aston University (Managerial/Admin. Studies) |
| S. HESELTINE | Preston University (English, Literary Studies) |
| C. J. HIRD | Bradford University (Civil Engineering) |
| R. K. HOLLIDAY | University of Humberside (Business Technology) |
| N. J. HOPE | Manchester University (Economics) |
| N. J. E. HUTCHINS | Lancaster University (Economics/Politics/Marketing) |
| G. R. JOHNSON | Manchester University (Maths and Physics) |
| D. E. KEARNS | University of Essex (Philosophy) |
| T. M. J. KENDALL | University of Northumbria (Applied Physics and Microelectronics) |
| N. MUHLEMANN | Newcastle University (Management Studies) |
| J. R. NEWBERRY | Bristol University (Law) |
| E. J. S. NEWISS | Bradford and Ilkley College (BTec Art & Design Foundation Course) |
| M. P. NICHOL | Durham University (Biological Sciences) |
| M. J. PARNHAM | Lancaster University (Biological Sciences) |
| R. M. PECKOVER | Aston University (Transport Management) |
| D. PIGHILLS | Huddersfield University (HND Business Studies) |
| S. POTTER | University of West of England, Bristol (Business in Science). |
| M. B. RIPLEY | York University (Applied and Environmental Biology) |
| T. ROBERTSHAW | Queen's College, Cambridge (Engineering) 1994 |
| C. L. ROWLAND | Manchester University (Biology) 1994 |
| J. M. SHILLITO | Keele University (Music/Electronics) |
| M. J. SUTCLIFFE | University of Teesside (Computer Science) |
| M. E. SYMES | Imperial College, London (Materials Science) 1994 |
| R. K. TAYLOR | University of Humberside (Business Studies) |
| M. K. THORNE | Manchester Metropolitan University (Politics and Sociology) 1994 |
| J. J. TOSNEY | St. George's, London (Medicine) |
| M. P. TULLY | Liverpool University (Dentistry) |
| N. J. WADDINGTON | Bradford and Ilkley College (Art Foundation Course) |
| P. D. WILDMAN | York University (Information Technology, Business Studies & Lang.) |
| J. D. WILLIAMS | Nottingham University (Civil Engineering) |
| T. D. WRIGHT | University of Essex (American Studies) |

In addition, there were a further eight leavers who have applied through U.C.A.S. to take up higher education places in Autumn 1994, including two, J. Baxter and D. J. Blackburn who have been offered places at Cambridge.

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Founders' Day Service

Saturday, December 11th, 1993

Programme

STRING ORCHESTRA:

“Christmas Pastorale” — Corelli (1653-1713)

FIRST HYMN:

“Praise, my soul . . .”

Music: John Goss (1800-1880)

Brass arrangement: E. Scott

SECOND HYMN:

“God, whose city’s sure foundation . . .”

Music: E. J. Sweeting (1863-1939)

CHOIR:

“Te Deum Laudamus . . .”

Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

ANTHEM:

“View me Lord a Work of Thine . . .”

Music: Richard Lloyd

ADDRESS:

Reverend James Turnbull

THIRD HYMN:

“Ye that know the Lord is gracious . . .”

Music: R. H. Pritchard (1811-1887)

FOURTH HYMN:

“Forth in thy name, O Lord I go . . .”

Music: Orlando Gibbons (1558-1625)

Brass arrangement: E. Scott

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Founders' Day

Saturday, 11th December, 1993

The outstanding academic achievements of Skipton's Ermysted's Grammar School were outlined to Old Boys at the annual Founders' Day celebrations.

The day's proceedings began with a service at Skipton's Holy Trinity Church, at which the preacher was the Rev. James Turnbull, curate of Bolton Abbey Priory Church, and coroner for the West Yorkshire area.

It was conducted by the rector of Broughton, Elslack and Thorton, Father Trevor Vaughan, and a lesson was read by the School's head boy Peter Butterfield. A collection raised £326 for Cruse in Craven.

A rugby match was called off because of the inclement weather, but in the cross country event the school narrowly beat the old boys.

At the annual meeting Mr. Ken Oxley was elected chairman of the Old Boys' Association, succeeding Dr. Brian Cartwright, who has held the post for the last three years.

He was congratulated on his work during a busy period, which embraced the quincentenary celebrations and the sports hall appeal.

It was later announced that the appeal was just £15,000 short of its £335,000 target, and headmaster Mr. David Buckroyd urged those present to help to bridge the gap. An official opening is still being planned.

The annual dinner was held in the evening when chief guest was renowned rugby player Mr. Michael Harrison, whose family have contributed much to the School over the years, in both academic and sporting ways.

Mr. Harrison, who is a foundation governor and a parent, paid tribute to the excellent all-round education provided at the school, and said he was proud to be associated with it.

Headmaster Mr. David Buckroyd drew attention to Ermysted's outstanding academic success, which had resulted in the School being placed fifth overall in the list of state schools in the country. It was, he said, a remarkable achievement.

Fifth formers achieved a 93.1 per cent pass rate in their GCSE examinations, which was 3.3 per cent up on last year, and A Level students recorded a 92.1 per cent rate, which was an increase of 5.3 per cent on the 1992 figure.

Mr. Buckroyd said it was a marvellous performance, which put them top of all state schools in North Yorkshire, and it was due to the "excellence of our raw material and the dedicated labours of staff and boys alike."

(Adapted, with kind permission, from the "Craven Herald" of December 17th, 1993)

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Speech Day

July 12th, 1994

In the same year Ermysted's Grammar School comes under the scrutiny of inspectors, Headmaster David Buckroyd has suggested money would be better spent in his classrooms.

Mr. Buckroyd, speaking at the Skipton school's annual prizegiving on Tuesday, said the Government was wasting valuable resources on inspections and glossy publications such as the recent Parents' Charter when cut-backs within his and other schools were as sharp as ever.

He suggested parents would soon let him and his staff know if the School — named this year as one of the country's top five state schools for GCSE and A-level results — was failing to deliver.

The Government has spent £48 million this academic year alone on school inspections, via the Office for Standards in Education.

These in turn have identified just five schools at risk of failing, Mr. Buckroyd said.

Ermysted's own inspection — a requirement under new OFSTED regulations — is scheduled for the week beginning November 28.

But an inspection earlier this year at its sister school, Skipton Girls' High — at a cost of thousands of pounds — told the local population what it knew perfectly well already — 'that it is a very good school', said Mr. Buckroyd.

"And what about the attendant trauma, stress and disruption — the inevitable by-products which we will be facing next term in the run-up to our own inspection?" he added.

"The world of education is full of financial waste.

"Resources should be concentrated at the sharp end rather than being retained centrally to stoke the fires of political ambition and to create the illusion that declining education standards are being tackled.

"I am very much in favour of accountability where public monies are concerned but our parents would soon let us know if we were failing to deliver."

Mr. Buckroyd revealed the year 1993-94 had been one of the School's most successful yet in terms of GCSE and A-level results.

Most of last year's School leavers were able to follow their first choice of university and college course, he said.

On the sporting front, the School's rugby teams had a memorable season.

There were also fine performances in cricket, cross country, orienteering, golf and swimming, with pupil Mark Quinn's pre-eminence as a junior breaststroke swimmer at county and regional level leading to his inclusion in the national squad.

Other sporting and extra curricular activities were also popular.

One-third of the School's staff were involved in such activities on any weekend during the autumn term, Mr. Buckroyd said.

Prizes were presented by Sir Peter Yarranton, chairman of the Sports Council.

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Sports Hall Opening Ceremony

July 12th, 1994

One of the sporting world's finest ambassadors, Sir Peter Yarranton, chairman of the Sports Council, opened Ermysted's new sports hall after Tuesday's prizegiving ceremony.

The £450,000 project, which took 14 months to build, was made possible, in the absence of government grants, by a special appeal committee, whose dedicated team of fundraisers ensured £350,000 was raised towards the final cost.

The 544-square metres sports hall comes complete with changing rooms and has facilities for various activities including cricket, basketball and badminton.

The hall has also been equipped with a multi-gym in memory of former pupil David Greenwood who died in a road accident five years ago.

Sir Peter, a formidable rugby player in his day and former captain of the Barbarians, said the sports hall was a testament to the hard work of the School, its appeal committee and everyone else behind the scenes who had worked towards the same objective.

"I've opened many things in many places but never have I done so knowing that so many people have been involved in such a major project," he said.

Roger Whittaker, Chairman of the Governors, said the completion of the sports hall marked the end of a 15-year pipe-dream for new facilities.

"It was a tremendous effort — Ermysted's and its friends have always rallied superbly whenever a crisis or need has arisen," he added.

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JUNIOR SCHOOL PRIZES

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| Marmaduke Miller Art Prize | T. H. A. PROCTOR |
| Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize | N. D. JONES |
| John Bevis Wilkinson Chemistry Prize | H. M. GOODALL |
| Mechanics' Institute Design and Technology Prize | M. J. LEWIS |
| Petyt Trust English Prize | B. TRUMAN |
| George Bottomley Memorial French Prize | A. B. JONES |
| George Bottomley Memorial German Prize | J. WIGHTMAN |
| Rodwell Memorial Geography Prize | C. R. MASON |
| Foundation History Prize | T. H. A. PROCTOR |
| Petyt Trust Latin Prize | A. B. JONES |
| Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize | A. B. JONES |
| Firth Memorial Music Prize | A. S. TOWNSON |
| Foundation P.E. Prize | J. O. BOXESS |
| Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize | H. M. GOODALL |
| Foundation Religious Studies Prize | S. A. LINDSAY |

MIDDLE SCHOOL PRIZES

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| Jonathan Chapman Memorial Art Prize | P. J. THURSBY |
| Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize | B. J. LUND |
| Foundation Business Studies Prize | C. M. BROOKS |
| Foundation Chemistry Prize | S. L. FOLEY |
| Foundation Design and Technology Prize | R. J. HOPE |
| Foundation English Prize | C. M. HARRIS |
| Jonathan Chapman Memorial Geography Prize | C. J. BOXER |
| Foundation History Prize | J. S. R. WRATHMELL |
| Jack Eastwood Memorial Prize for Languages | L. S. SALKELD |
| Jack Eastwood Memorial Latin Prize | C. M. HARRIS |
| Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize | C. M. HARRIS |
| Foundation Modern Languages Prize | S. E. WILLIAMS |
| Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize | R. J. HOPE |
| Foundation Religious Studies Prize | T. G. D. CAPSTICK |

SENIOR SCHOOL PRIZES

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| Marmaduke Miller Art Prize | M. C. SIMPSON |
| Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize | P. O'REGAN |
| John Bevis Wilkinson Chemistry Prize | H. N. AHMED |
| Foundation Economics Prize | A. M. HUSSAIN |
| Petyt Trust English Prize | A. M. HUSSAIN |
| George Bottomley Memorial French Prize | D. J. GREEN |
| George Bottomley Memorial German Prize | D. J. GREEN |
| Rodwell Memorial Geography Prize | T. W. KNAPP |
| Petyt Trust Latin Prize | D. R. SYMES |
| Foundation Linguistics Prize | J. P. BIRCH |
| Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize | F. RAZAQ |
| Firth Memorial Music Prize | J. M. WORMALD |
| Foundation P.E. Prize | A. M. HODGSON |
| Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize | P. O'REGAN |

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FOUNDATION FORM PRIZES

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| 1G | J. HARLE |
| 1K | P. S. G. FORMAN |
| 1P | R. NEWMAN |
| 2K(Joint) | S. J. CLARKSON |
| | W. D. Z. TAYLOR |
| 2J | A. S. ALLEN |
| 2S | K. J. McSHARRY |
| 3W | A. B. JONES |
| 3F | D. W. HAMILTON |
| 3X | M. G. HOYLE |
| Skipton Town Council Silver Jubilee Shield | I. M. G. WARBURTON |
| Public Speaking Cup | P. J. LEWIS |
| Iain McLeod Memorial Prize (Joint) | T. R. HANSON |
| | J. M. HARTLEY |
| Fleming Essay Prize | B. M. THORN |
| Longden Smith Prize for Rugby | J. D. WHITTAKER |
| Jimmy Harrison Memorial Prize for Progress | |
| in Senior Rugby | J. M. HARTLEY |
| Peter Rose Memorial Prize for Cricket | S. J. WALKER |
| Drama Prize (Joint) | H. G. DAVIES |
| | N. J. DOBSON |
| Doris Altham Barker Prize for Musical Achievement (Joint). | N. T. D. BINNS |
| | P. R. T. SHARP |
| Parents' Association Fortitude Prize | A. CARLSSON |
| Arthur Coe Prize for Distinguished Service | P. TETLEY |
| Old Boys' Association Head of School Prize | P. J. BUTTERFIELD |

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Spring Concert

March 24th, 1994
at the Parish Church

PROGRAMME

Brass Band

Voices of Youth — Edward Gregson

1. Nobility of Youth.
2. Sadness and Tenderness.
3. Gaiety.

Woodwind Group

Cuckoo Quartet — Ronald Hanmer
Directed by Mr. M. Jones

Organ and Orchestra

Concerto in B Flat

Opus 4, No. 2 — Handel
Conductor — Mr. H. Rogerson

1. Allegro
2. Adagio.
3. Allegro, Mai Non Troppo.

Choir

“Nelson” Mass — Joseph Haydn

Soprano: Frances Brindley.
Alto: Valerie Baulard.
Tenor: Harry Winter.
Bass: Robert Green.

1. Kyrie Eleison (Lord Have Mercy)
2. Gloria in Excelsis Deo (Glory Be to God on High)
3. Qui Tollis (That Takest Away the Sins of the World)
4. Quoniam Tu Solus Sanctus (For Thou Only Art Holy)
5. Credo (I Believe in One God)
6. Et Incarnatus Est (He Was Crucified For Us)
7. Et Resurrexit (And The Third Day He Rose Again)
8. Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)
9. Benedictus (Blessed Is He That Cometh in the Name of the Lord)
10. Agnus Dei (O Lamb of God)
11. Dona Nobis (Grant Us Thy Peace)

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“A Midsummer Night’s Dream”

January 13th, 14th and 15th, 1994



Tim Scargill, Hermia

Matthew McLellan, Helena

CAST The Court

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| Theseus, Duke of Athens | John Wrathmell |
| Hippolyta, Queen of the Amazons | Simon Mounsey |
| Egeus | Barnaby Watson |
| Hermia, Egeus' Daughter | Tim Scargill |
| Lysander | Luke Taylor |
| Helena | Matthew McLellan |
| Demetrius | Paul Robinson |
| Philostrate | Andrew Dickson |
| Attendant | Paul Burton |

The Fairy Kingdom

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| Oberon, King of the Fairies | Jamie Squire |
| Titania, Queen of the Fairies | David Hamilton |
| Puck | Nick Dobson |
| Fairy | Howard Goodall |
| Peaseblossom | John Wightman |
| Cobweb | Oliver Longden |
| Moth | Richard Farn |
| Mustardseed | Charles Fielding |

The Mechanicals

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| Peter Quince/Prologue | Andrew Jones |
| Bottom/Pyramus | Henry Davies |
| Flute/Thisbe | Austin Pickles |
| Snug/Lion | Tim Perry |
| Starveling/Moonshine | James Greenwood |
| Snout/Wall | Ben Whitaker |

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PRODUCTION

Director Wilbur Paley
Assistant Director Sheila Muhlemann
Set designed and constructed by Chris Davies, Philip Emison, Nicholas Mattock,
Ben Truman, Gavin Henderson, James Eddison
Stage Manager Chris Davies
Lighting Martin Bendall, Andrew Gill, Matthew Short.
Music Philip Lewis
Costumes Sheila Muhlemann
Prompt Richard Freytag
Make-up Anne Scales, Sarah Muhlemann
Programmes Valerie Beaumont
Finance Andy Sellers/Ian McLean
Posters David Clough, John Allison



Bottom, Henry Davies Titania, David Hamilton

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A Dream Come True

With this production the recent resurgence of drama at Ermysted's came of age. First years became mature actors, chronicle became genuine drama and pantomime assumed the shape of true comic entertainment. It also marked the transition in terms of acting from innocence to experience. It was in a sense a production waiting to happen and the triumphant success of Wilbur Paley's "Midsummer Night's Dream" was both a culmination of the earlier work of many of the cast and an extension beyond it into the realms of the highest dramatic demand.

If "school Shakespeare" spells, for many, horror and anathema, and "the School Play" reverberates with feelings of dutiful tedium and grin-and-bear-it parental support, the combination of both with the prospect of a robotic textual grind can justifiably make the most conscientious viewer anticipate an evening of at best honourable attendance and at worst sacrifice on the altar of high culture. Few in the audience I suspect were prepared for the lavish spectacle, the polished exuberance, the exciting pace and movement and the coherent dramatic experience to which they were treated. For it turned out to be an evening of genuine uninhibited entertainment producing a warmth of audience response properly generated by the nature of Shakespeare's comedy and not by any coarse pandering to easy dramatic effects and patronising wooing of audience responses. The play was brought excitingly to life in an imaginative production which for many present may have represented their first experience of the thrilling entertainment that Shakespeare can provide.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" is of course a love comedy using the dramatic metaphors of blindness, disguise and mistaken identity to explore the self-delusion inherent in those in love which makes it impossible for them to distinguish between appearance and reality. As such it is universal and needs no modernist distortive "interpretation" to make it appeal to a contemporary audience. And the principal strength of this production was in its intrinsic clarity of perspective. Judiciously pruned (in the manner of the equally successful Kenneth Branagh film of "Much Ado") by Sheila Muhleemann, it focused on contrasts. The formal stiffness of the Athenian Court suggestive of its leisured arrogance (John Wrathmell's Theseus) and self-indulgence (Luke Taylor's smoothly adolescently romantic Lysander) complemented by its decorative females whose subservient status was underlined both by the poise of the young actors Simon Mounsey, Matthew McLellan and Tim Scargill, and the resplendent costumes created by Sheila Muhleemann, contrasted sharply with the honest energy and earnest endeavour of the city underclass Mechanicals to provide suitable celebratory entertainment for their masters.

Here an element of the play which can too easily degenerate into undisciplined coarse farce was held nicely in focus and achieved effectively by diversity in characterisation rather than ensemble playing. If Andrew Jones' droll and seriously deadpan Quince, and Ben Whitaker's typically Yorkshire Snout, cussed but determined to milk every ounce of performance as Wall (like Fred

Truman with a sense of humour), took the early honours, Henry Davies' Bottom grew in stature and control in the second half and Tim Perry's Lion's disingenuousness was beautifully caught in a series of gormless chipmunk facial gestures which had the audience convulsed with laughter.

The Fairy Kingdom provided yet another distinct contrast. The dark shadowy bower conveyed a sense of impending disaster and a fervent neurotic energy being continually expended to avert it. The lighting effects were carefully and creatively organised to suggest modulated shifts of mood but always with a dark emotional context. Nick Dobson's intriguing Puck, both in edgy manner and biker-leather costume suggested echoes of 50s unsettled alienation from the society around him — more perhaps Montgomery Clift than James Dean.

But for me the performance of the production was that of Demetrius. Paul Robinson's portrayal had an authentic Shakespearean feel most marked in his easy but arresting modulation of emotion within a few lines of the same speech. What often started as a controlled hardness of feeling erupted without warning as frightening and vicious anger. Many young actors given experience and training acquire the rhythm and feeling or Shakespeare's language, in itself a big step up from playing extensions (or reductions) of their adolescent selves. Most of the cast indeed succeeded in this vital requirement. But one whose shifts of feeling can be achieved thrillingly and naturally and without recourse to artificial jolts of over-emphasis is a talent indeed.

The pacing of the production was first rate, neatly orchestrated by Philip Lewis's assured musical accompaniment. And if the climax focused heavily on the Mechanicals' play within a play, the attendant comments from the Athenian rulers and their coarse and patronising dismissal of the workers' efforts firmly placed the production's sympathy with the Athenian under class.

The real audience in the Hall were with justification far more lavish in their praise for the tremendous entertainment that they had been privileged to enjoy.

Starveling/Moonshine, James Greenwood Thisbe/Flute, Austin Pickles Quince, Andrew James



Tim Perry, Snug/Lion

Henry Davies, Bottom/Pyramus

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Concert on the evening of Speech Day

July 12th, 1994

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| Cello Solo | Ian Warburton | Cool Prelude Mini Minuet | Colin Evans |
| Cello Duet | Ian Warburton John Wightman | Dots & Dashes | Shelia Nelson |
| Piano Solo | Robert Varley | Fantasia in C minor | Mozart |
| Clarinet Solo | Andrew Dickson | Carol from 5 pieces | Gerald Finzi |
| Organ Solo | Peter Sharp | 'Giant' Fugue | J. S. Bach |
| Euphonium Solo | Nicholas Binns | Introduction & Allegro | Senaille |
| Tenor Solo | Jonathan Wormald | Danny Boy This is Love | Trad. Irish Lloyd Webber |
| Double Bass Solo | James Greenwood | Jupiter (Planets) Sonatina | Gustav Holst Gordon Dale |
| Tuba Solo | Mark Wilkinson | 1st Movement Tuba Concerto | R. Vaughan Williams |
| Orchestra | | Londonderry Air | arr. G. O'Conner-Morris |
| Brass Band | | Melodies of Britain Slaidburn | arr. Frank Wright William Rimmer |
| Choir | Swingin Samson | Michael Hurd Hallelujah Chorus | Handel |

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Speech Day Concert

Despite the avowed shortage of time prior to the concert for proper rehearsals, the programme for this informal evening offered a list of nine soloists and three ensembles, and a high quality of presentation, established by the very first item, was maintained throughout.

Ian Warburton, a novice on the cello and recipient of the Sipton Town Council Silver Jubilee Shield for his promising start, opened the proceedings appropriately with pieces exploiting the open strings. Ian displayed confident rhythmic control, and his bowing and pizzicato both produced tones much more secure than was the hall floor for his instrument. John Wightman, another relative beginner, joined Ian, and the two indicated that the cello section seems fit to survive the next few years.

Robert Varley conveyed well the complex changes of mood and style in the Mozart 'Fantasia', which seems to nod to Bach in sections of Baroque clarity and yet elsewhere to foreshadow Schubertian Romanticism; singing melodies were well sustained, there was poise in lighter passages. Robert was certainly stretched by faster, more intricately decorated sections, but he carried the piece off with panache.

Finzi's beautiful 'Carol' for clarinet was given a sensitive interpretation by Andrew Dickson, whose tonal clarity was especially pleasing in the upper register.

The evening's highlight for this reviewer came in Peter Sharp's performance of Bach's 'Giant' Fugue: a model of careful control and intelligently chosen registers to bring out the various 'strands' of the fugue — even masking the fact that the School organ is currently rather poorly!

The next three soloists demonstrated their versatility, each performing two contrasting items or movements: Nicholas Binns, in his final School concert, produced a strong tone and good dynamic variation on his euphonium, working hard in the summer heat; Jonathan Wormald sang with good phrasing and breath control, producing pleasing top notes, but yet to develop his lower register to match; James Greenwood's items on double bass were the first which I appreciated with my feet as well as my ears, as the low notes vibrated through the floor. The folk-style Sonatina with its jaunty humour might have been composed for the soloist — he certainly did it justice, and managed to get my feet tapping.

Mark Wilkinson will be remembered for the technical virtuosity he displayed in the Vaughan Williams 'Tuba Concerto', described as 'fiendish' by his accompanist. Mark seemed unabashed by this and demonstrated sophisticated polish throughout, and particularly in the closing cadenza.

The first ensemble was the Orchestra: relatively small, but also relatively young, so with time to grow. The sound was well balanced, the strings being

unusually reliable for their age, and the reeds blending pleasantly. The flutes had occasional problems with intonation, and all sections could benefit from greater awareness of the conductor, but the overall effect was good, and very promising for the future.

The Brass Band was introduced as 'representative', because several regular members were absent, but a chance listener would not have guessed. This ensemble, too, had a well-balanced sound and fine rhythmic accuracy, best exemplified in the 'March of the Men of Harlech' and the stirring march 'Slaidburn', a 'souvenir' from Mr. Scott's first concert with the Brass Band of 25 years before. The present band has solid assistance from its senior members, who will be missed after this, their final appearance.

The Choir was billed as the last ensemble, but, in fact, there were two groups: first the Trebles, who sang 'Swingin Samson' with verve and enjoyment. Their diction was good, so that the story — and the jokes — came across, but they need more effort, or perhaps just more confidence, to reach the higher notes cleanly, especially in the wider intervals. The second group was the full, four-part Choir, augmented — beneficially or not I cannot say! — by a tenor and three basses who happened to be in the audience (Messrs. D. M. Buckroyd, M. Jones, V. G. Varley and R. M. Whittaker). 'Hallelujah' rang out to provide an uplifting finish.

The Headmaster closed the evening with words of thanks to Mr. Scott for all his efforts, and he expressed the hope that there would be opportunity for further collaboration in the future.

On the basis of his final 'informal concert', Mr. Scott — who had spent almost the entire evening either accompanying or conducting — can retire a happy man: happy with the musical achievements of pupils under his tutelage, and happy with the legacy he leaves for his successor.

Athletics

In matches against other schools we had a good year. Bingley G.S. v. Bradford G.S. v. E.G.S. saw our 3rd Year team victorious for the first time in this fixture, the 4th Year came third.

Individual winners were—

| | | |
|-------------|----------|--------------|
| B. Rickaby | 4th Year | 800m & 1500m |
| J. Burgess | 3rd Year | 800m |
| S. Kennedy | 3rd Year | 1500m |
| S. Spooner | 3rd Year | High Jump |
| D. Dennison | 3rd Year | Discus |

In the match Ashville v. Silcoates v. E.G.S. our Senior team came second as did our Under 15 team and the Under 13 team won.

Individual winners were:—

| | | |
|--------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| D. Spooner | Senior | High Jump, Long Jump & 400m |
| A. Hey | Senior | 1500m |
| J. Burgess | Under 15 | 800m |
| B. Rickaby | Under 15 | 1500m |
| M. Stewart | Under 15 | Shot & Javelin |
| A. Wilkinson | Under 13 | 100m |
| M. Brear | Under 13 | 800m & Discus |
| D. Huff | Under 13 | 1500m |
| J. Morris | Under 13 | High Jump, Javelin |
| W. Law | Under 13 | Shot |

In an individual match at Bradford G.S., E.G.S. won 6 out of the 9 events and Under 13 level and 3 out of 8 events at Under 12 level

Winners were:—

| | | |
|--------------|---------------|------------------------|
| A. Wilkinson | Under 13 | 100m, Shot & High Jump |
| A. Burton | Under 13 | 400m |
| W. Law | Under 13 | Hurdles |
| Relay | Under 13 Team | |
| D. Huff | Under 12 | 1500m |
| J. Taylor | Under 12 | High Jump & Long Jump |

Sports Day was held on the morning of July 6th to avoid the forecast rain. The Senior HEPTATHALON was won by J. HARTLEY with L. Craven second and N. Walton third.

Results:—

| | | | |
|-----------|----------------|-----|-----------------------|
| Long Jump | 1. J. Hartley | 2=. | L. Craven & D. Hindle |
| 100m | 1. J. Hartley | 2. | L. Craven |
| High Jump | 1. J. Hartley | 2. | L. Craven |
| 400m | 1. J. Lyles | 2. | J. Hartley |
| Shot | 1. J. Voss | 2. | J. Hartley |
| Discus | 1. J. Voss | 2. | J. Hartley |
| 1500m | 1. J. Marchant | 2. | J. Hartley |
| | | 3. | N. Walton |
| | | 3=. | N. Walton/D. Smith |
| | | 3. | N. Walton |
| | | 3. | G. Bellas |
| | | 3. | G. Bellas |
| | | 3. | N. Walton |

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FIRST YEAR

| | | | | |
|--------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| 100m | 1. Forman (T) | 2. Smithson (P) | 3. Lewis (H) | 14.5sec. |
| 200m | 1. Jaquin (P) | 2. Forman (T) | 3. Lewis (H) | 31.2sec. |
| 400m | 1. Huff (T) | 2. Leong (T) | 3. Smithson (P) | 67.6sec. |
| 800m | 1. Huff (T) | 2. Jaquin (P) | 3. Pile (H) | 2m 35.09sec.* |
| 1500m | 1. Huff (T) | 2. Pile (H) | 3. Wright (P) | 5m 21.8sec. |
| High Jump | 1. Taylor (E) | 2. Stansfield (H) | 3. Broughton (P) | 1.25m |
| Long Jump | 1. Huff (T) | 2. Forman (T) | 3. Taylor | 4.06m |
| Triple Jump | 1. Stanfield (H) | 2. Huff (T) | 3. Taylor | 8.65m |
| Shot | 1. Cryer (E) | 2. Leong (T) | 3. Lewis (H) | 7.20m |
| Javelin | 1. B. Smith (H) | 2. Jaquin (P) | 3. Pickles (T) | 14.70m |
| Discus | 1. Jaquin (P) | 2. Palin (E) | 3. Benson | 16.92m |
| Relay 4x100m | 1. Toller | 2. Petyt | 3. Hartley | 61.3sec. |

VICTOR LUDORUM

1. Huff (T) 33pts. 2. Jaquin (P) 24pts. 3. Stansfield (H) 19pts.

CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Toller, 142pts. 2. Hartley, 110½pts. 3. Petyt, 107½pts. Ermysted, 93pts.

SECOND YEAR

| | | | | |
|--------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 100m | 1. Law (T) | 2. Morris (P) | 3. Burton (E) | 13.5sec. |
| 200m | 1. Wilkinson (P) | 2. Morris (P) | 3. Burton (E) | 26.9sec.* |
| 400m | 1. Wilkinson (P) | 2. Shah (H) | 3. Burton (E) | 61.6sec.* |
| 800m | 1. Wilkinson (P) | 2. Brear (E) | 3. Law (T) | 2m 25.8sec.* |
| 1500m | 1. Brear (E) | 2. Middleton (E) | 3. McSharry | 5m 18.6sec. |
| High Jump | 1. Morris (P) | 2. Law (T) | 3. Persson (E) | 1.50m |
| Long Jump | 1. Wilkinson (P) | 2. Law (T) | 3. Lambert (H)) | 4.81m |
| Triple Jump | 1. Lambert (H) | 2. Brear (E) | 3. Craven (T) | 8.96m |
| Shot | 1. Wilkinson (P) | 2. Morris (P) | 3. Drake (H) | 10.25m |
| Javelin | 1. Morris (P) | 2. Lazenby (H) | 3. Persson (E) | 23.22m |
| Discus | 1. Drake (H) | 2. Breare (E) | 3. Persson (E) | 24.45m |
| Relay 4x100m | 1. Petyt | 2. Ermysted | 3. Toller | 57.2sec. |

VICTOR LUDORUM

1. Wilkinson (P) 35pts. 2. Morris (P) 29pts. 3. Law (T) 23pts.

CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Petyt, 123½pts. 2. Ermysted, 116½pts. 3. Toller, 102½pts. 4. Hartley, 99½pts.

THIRD YEAR

| | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 100m | 1. Burgess (H) | 2. Bellas (E) | 3. Goodall (H) | 12.9sec. |
| 200m | 1. Lewis (H) | 2. Bellas (E) | 3. Goodall (H) | 26.5sec.* |
| 400m | 1. Lewis (H) | 2. Kennedy (P) | 3. Goodall (H) | 61.1sec. |
| 800m | 1. Burgess (H) | 2. Walker (P) | 3. Baldwin (T) | 2m 21.6sec. |
| 1500m | 1. Burgess (H) | 2. Kennedy (P) | 3. Hand (T) | 5m 18.1sec. |
| High Jump | 1. Kennedy (P) | 2. Burgess (H) | 3. Hand (T) | 1.45m |
| Long Jump | 1. Richards (E) | 2. Masson (P) | 3. Capstick (P) | 5.02m* |
| Triple Jump | 1. Richards (E) | 2. Lewis (H) | 3. Capstick (P) | 10.23m |
| Shot | 1. Bellas (E) | 2. Hudson (H) | 3. Dennison (P) | 9.52m |
| Javelin | 1. Masson (P) | 2. Goodall (H) | 3. Boatwright (P) | 38.05m* |
| Discus | 1. Hand (T) | 2. Goodall (H) | 3. Bellas (E) | 28.33m |
| Relay 4x100m | 1. Hartley | 2. Ermysted | 3. Petyt | 54.1sec. |

VICTOR LUDORUM

1. Burgess (H) 26pts. 2. Goodall (H) 22pts. 3= Bellas (E)/Hand (T)/Kennedy (P) 21pts.

CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Hartley, 156½pts. 2. Petyt, 121½pts. 3. Ermysted, 115pts. 4. Toller, 83pts.

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FOURTH YEAR

| | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 100m | 1. Charlton (E) | 2. Preston (E) | 3. Wormald (P) | 12.7sec. |
| 200m | 1. Charlton (E) | 2. Wormald (P) | 3. Stewart (T) | 26.2sec. |
| 400m | 1. Williams (H) | 2. Emmott (H) | 3. Charlton (E) | 61.6sec. |
| 800m | 1. Rickaby (P) | 2. Emmott (H) | 3. Brotherton (T) | 2m 25.9sec. |
| 1500m | 1. Rickaby (P) | 2. Emmott (H) | 3. Gowan (T) | 4m 55.2sec. |
| High Jump | 1. Wormald (P) | 2. Doyle (P) | 3. Emmott (H) | 1.50m |
| Long Jump | 1. Stewart (T) | 2. Williams (H) | 3. Reeves (P) | 5.10m |
| Triple Jump | 1. Stewart (T) | 2. Williams (H) | 3. Brotherton (T) | 11.16m |
| Shot | 1. Stewart (T) | 2. Crundall (H) | 3. Williamson (P) | 10.29m |
| Javelin | 1. Crundall (H) | 2. Williams (H) | 3. Farn (P) | 29.43m |
| Discus | 1. Lewis (P) | 2. Preston (T) | 3. Marlow (H) | 26.57m |
| Relay 4x100m | 1. Petyt | 2. Ermysted | 3. Hartley | 52.1sec. |

VICTOR LUDORUM

1. Stewart (T) 27pts. 2. Williams (H) 23pts. 3. Charlton (E) 20pts.

CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Petyt, 75pts. 2. Hartley, 67pts. 3. Toller, 58pts. 4. Ermysted, 42pts.

Overall Championship Points for Athletics

1. Hartley, 433 $\frac{1}{2}$ pts.
2. Petyt, 427 $\frac{1}{2}$ pts.
3. Toller, 385 $\frac{1}{2}$ pts.
4. Ermysted, 366 $\frac{1}{2}$ pts.

Overall 12 new records were broken or equalled during the season. Alex Wilkinson holds pride of place by taking 5 and equalling one. He was also North Yorkshire Champion over 200m and competed in the English Schools Championships where he reached the semi-finals.

NEW RECORDS

| | | | | |
|----------|-----------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| Senior | Discus | J. Voss | 36.82m | (33.37m) |
| 3rd Year | 200m | M. Lewis | 26.5sec. | (27.0sec.) |
| | Long Jump | J. Richards | 5.02m | (4.99m) |
| | Javelin | P. Masson | 38.05m | (36.26m) |
| 2nd Year | 100m | A. Wilkinson | 11.9sec. | (13.3sec.) |
| | 200m | A. Wilkinson | 24.3sec. | (27.4sec.) |
| | 400m | A. Wilkinson | 61.6sec. | (62.5sec.) |
| | 800m | A. Wilkinson | 2m 25.8sec. | (2m 33.0sec.) |
| | Long Jump | A. Wilkinson | 4.81m | (4.80m) |
| | Shot | A. Wilkinson | 10.25m = | (10.25m) |
| | High Jump | J. Morris | 1.55m | (1.48m) |
| 1st Year | 800m | D. Huff | 2m 35.1sec. | (2m 38.7sec.) |

1st XI Cricket Retrospective 1994

PLAYING RECORD

| Played | Won | Drawn | Lost |
|--------|-----|-------|------|
| 11 | 2 | 4 | 5 |

A very similar playing record to last year, but a more pleasurable season in the standard of cricket played and in terms of individual development.

The main 'failure' of the side was to sustain throughout a match a high standard of play. If the the side had batted well, then the bowling could be poor and vice-versa. The fielding, although markedly improved, was still short of sound catching and general sharpness.

Having said that, the opposition was often very strong and there were a number of very good individual performances to reflect on.

John Wrathmell developed during the season into a fine, technically sound opening bat, who, if he can accumulate runs at a slightly higher tempo next season will make some big scores. His ideal opening partner, Andy Hodgson used his block/hit style to good effect, particularly at Batley and ensured that the scoreboard moved quickly while he was at the wicket. Jonathan Coward, Simon Walker and Chris Richardson made useful runs too but the batting line-up rarely dominated the opposition attack to the extent of putting the game beyond reach.

The pick of the batsmen was Simon Lewis who, even though still in the Fourth Year, has shown he has the ability to build an innings and made runs regularly. As he gets older his 30s and 40s will become much bigger scores and he should be the linchpin of the batting order.

Of the bowlers, Chris Richardson and Jonathan Coward performed consistently well with Chris Campbell, Nasar Bashir, Richard Taylor, James Thackray and Andy Hodgson making useful contributions occasionally. Generally though, the attack never really threatened to regularly bowl sides out and perhaps more significantly, consistently gave away 4 or 5 runs per over which released any pressure on batsmen that had been achieved.

To be fair to both batsmen and bowlers, regular winter nets next year (which weren't available this season) should be a big help in ironing out problems and developing skills for the challenges to come.

Simon Walker, the captain, deserves particular mention for doing a good job in what was obviously a period of transition. He was particularly thoughtful in calculating declaration totals, particularly at Leeds G.S. which produced good games of cricket, if not always the ideal results.

C.D.

Squad: S. Walker, A. Hodgson, S. Lewis, J. Wrathmell, J. Coward, C. Campbell, C. Richardson, R. Taylor, N. Bashir, A. Hussain, D. Addison, S. Rogers, G. Leake, T. Hanson, P. Barker, J. Thackray, M. Stewart, M. Slater.

1st XI Results

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| LEEDS G.S. | MATCH DRAWN School 156-4 Dec. Leeds 143-8 | S. Lewis 68 J. Wrathmell 65 n.o. R. Taylor 4 for 34 |
| BATLEY G.S. | LOST BY 7 WICKETS School 106 all out Batley 109-3 | A. Hodgson 28 S. Walker 20 n.o. P. Barker 20 C. Richardson 2 for 14 |
| RIPON G.S. | MATCH DRAWN School 174-4 dec. Ripon 72-5 | S. Lewis 79 n.o. A. Hodgson 58 N. Bashir 3 for 5 C. Campbell 2 for 14 |
| Q.E.G.S. WAKEFIELD 2nd XI | LOST BY 32 RUNS — 30 OVERS GAME Q.E.G.S. 129-6 School 93 all out | C. Richardson 4 for 14 J. Coward 2 for 15 S. Walker 27 |
| GIGGLESWICK | MATCH DRAWN School 136-7 dec. Giggleswick 87-7 | S. Lewis 39 n.o. A. Hodgson 26 A. Hodgson 4 for 34 |
| M.C.C. | LOST BY 140 RUNS M.C.C. 193-3 dec. School 53 all out | C. Richardson 22 |
| PARENTS' XI (20 Overs) | LOST BY 5 WICKETS School 118-2 Parents' XI 121-5 | S. Walker 52 n.o. S. Lewis 39 A. Butt 38 |
| CLITHEROE R.G.S. | WON BY 61 RUNS School 161-5 dec. Clitheroe 100 all out | J. Coward 44 S. Lewis 31 J. Coward 6 for 48 R. Taylor 2 for 19 |
| SOUTH CRAVEN | LOST BY 8 WICKETS School 121 all out South Craven 122-2 | C. Richardson 32 |
| STAFF XI | MATCH DRAWN School 162-3 dec. Staff 122-5 | A. Hodgson 72 J. Wrathmell 38 V. Rooke 57 S. Howarth 37 J. Coward 3 for 30 |

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OLD BOYS XI
(40 Overs)

WON BY 5 WICKETS

Old Boys 125 all out

K. Hussain 32

J. Thackray 4 for 23

S. Lewis 42 n.o.

School 129-5

2nd XI Retrospective

The difficulty in obtaining 2nd XI fixtures has again been a disappointment to a group of very keen cricketers. In addition, due to a misunderstanding, the team played against a very strong 1st XI from Q.E.G.S. Wakefield, with the result that the 'season' was not ideal in terms of development.

In fact the team came out of that game with credit, particularly in the areas of application and attitude and whilst being soundly beaten, were not overwhelmed.

The second game against Giggleswick was much closer; with 3 results possible right up to the last moments Bashir and Hamilton had to settle for the draw as the last pair at the wicket, only 7 runs short.

The side possessed a sound and varied bowling attack, with Robertshaw, Bayley and Hanson, the medium-pace attack all acquitting themselves well and showing promise for next year. Hamilton (off-spin) and Bashir (leg-spin) also showed enough to suggest that given some hard work in the winter nets they could be a useful addition to any attack.

On the batting side, with only two matches, there was not much chance for individuals to show 'regular' form but Rogers and Varley both made good scores against Giggleswick and Leake's gritty innings against Wakefield was a fine effort.

C.D.

Squad: S. Rogers, M. Slater, B. Wilson, A. Knowles, T. Hanson, G. Leake, P. Bayley, D. Robertshaw, J. Varley, G. Smith, A. Hamilton, K. Holme, W. Varley, N. Foucher.

2nd XI Results

Q.E.G.S. WAKEFIELD

WON BY 3 RUNS

School 79 all out

G. Leake 24

Q.E.G.S. 82-3

GIGGLESWICK

MATCH DRAWN

Giggleswick 141 all out

N. Bashir 6 for 26

P. Bayley 2 for 25

D. Robertshaw 2 for 41

S. Rogers 39

J. Varley 36

School 134-9

Under 15 Retrospective

This season has been a very successful one for the Colts, not only because they have been able to complete all four of their matches, but also because they have remained unbeaten this season, winning three and drawing one of their games.

In their first match at Batley, the home side declared on 128 for 5. Ermysted's scored 132 for 4 with Stewart scoring 66 and Calvert 27.

Against Ripon at home, the visitors declared on 111 for 7. The Colts replied with 112 for 3 with Charlton hitting an unbeaten 39 and Rickaby 27.

At Giggleswick the home side batted first and declared on 162 for 6. The Colts made a brave attempt to pass this total but it proved to be just beyond their reach and at close

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of play they were 143 for 4, the match ending in a draw. Williamson scored an unbeaten 38.

Their final game at Fulneck was a limited overs match. The Colts batted first and scored 129 for 6 in their 25 overs. Calvert hitting an unbeaten 35, D. Barton 34 and Marlow 26. This proved too much for the home side who were all out for 81, Calvert taking 3 for 14 and Rickaby 3 for 13.

Although there have been some very good individual performances, it must be stressed that the success of the team this season has been due largely to the well balanced nature of the side and the mature and sensible way in which the whole team has approached their cricket.

One member of the team who does deserve a special mention, however, is Simon Lewis who has displayed outstanding ability this season playing not only for the Colts XI but also the 1st XI, North Yorkshire Under 15s and Yorkshire Under 15s.

It is worth noting that because of the limited number of games played this season, a number of players in the squad did not have a chance to play for the team but there are a number of promising individuals who have improved this season and who, in time, I am sure will eventually get the opportunity to represent the School.

R.T.

Squad: S. Lewis, B. Rickaby, M. Stewart, J. Charlton, C. Calvert, D. Barton, M. Desgranges, J. Greenwood, R. Varley, T. Marlow, M. Cox, G. Williamson.

Under 15 Results

BATLEY G.S.

WON BY 6 WICKETS

Batley 128-5 dec.
School 132-4

M. Stewart 66
C. Calvert 27

RIPON G.S.

WON BY 7 WICKETS

Ripon 111-7 dec.
School 112-3

J. Charlton 39 n.o.
B. Rickaby 27

GIGGLESWICK

MATCH DRAWN

Giggleswick 162-6 dec.
School 143-4

R. Varley 2 for 17
J. Charlton 2 for 30
G. Williamson 38 n.o.

FULNECK SCHOOL (25 Overs)

WON BY 48 RUNS

School 129-6
Fulneck 81 all out

C. Calvert 35 n.o.
D. Barton 34
T. Marlow 26
C. Calvert 3 for 14
B. Rickaby 3 for 13

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Under 14 Retrospective

The Under 14 team was always short of batting once the captain M. Lockwood was out, few players having a good enough defence. J. Hand, S. Wherity and H. Smith bowled well and A. Langenegger improved as a player. There is a lot of hard work to be done in all aspects of cricket before this team is capable of challenging the schools we play.

D.C.A.S.

Squad: M. Lockwood (Capt.), L. Walker, H. Smith A. Langenegger, J. Burgess, J. Hand, T. Day, S. Wherity, P. Masson, M. Lewis, S. Kennedy, S. Cunliffe, D. Dennison, M. Crewe.

Under 14 Results

BATLEY G.S.

LOST BY 48 RUNS

Batley 127-8 dec.

J. Hand 5 for 27

School 79 all out

M. Lewis 21

GIGGLESWICK

LOST BY 8 WICKETS

School 97 all out

L. Walker 34

Giggleswick 98-2

BRADFORD G.S.

MATCH DRAWN

Bradford 171-4 dec.

M. Lockwood 24

School 143-9

Under 13 Retrospective

For a side embarking (as the fashionable cant has it) on a pretty steep “learning curve”, a two match season allows for precious little development.

However, after an almighty hammering at Bradford the side picked themselves up well to challenge Ashville (who had performed creditably well against Bradford) with spirit and fight. The opening attack of Morris and Wrathmell had them reduced to 37 for 5 and had the game not been an overs-restricted one would have put them out for the sort of total our own limited batting could have coped with.

Morris and Wrathmell are players of ability with both bat and ball, and Keane’s dogged defiance which all but saved the game at Bradford marks him as a player who will develop. But many of the lads who played are clearly in need of more opportunity and more practice as they yet lack any real grounding in real cricket of any systained length.

G.L.T.

Squad: Wrathmell (Capt.), Morris, Jamieson, Wibberley, Bryan, Blacoe, Keane, Persson, Green, Scarr, Drake, Townson, Livesey.

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Under 13 Results

BRADFORD G.S.

LOST BY 167 RUNS

Bradford 252-2 dec.
School 85 all out

**ASHVILLE
(24 Overs)**

LOST BY 26 RUNS

98-8
School 72 all out

J. Morris 3 for 22
J. Morris 18

Under 12 Results

BRADFORD G.S.

LOST BY 24 RUNS

Bradford 127-9
School 103 all out

M. Scotter 3 for 18
A. Atkinson 62 n.o.

**ASHVILLE
(24 Overs)**

WON BY 52 RUNS

School 124-4
Ashville 72 all out

A. Atkinson 48
N. Thackray 32
A. Atkinson 3 for 4
A. Longden 3 for 2

Senior House Matches

NOT PLAYED

Intermediate House Matches

18 OVERS PER SIDE

FINAL PLACINGS

1. Toller 2. Ermysted 3. Hartley 4. Petyt

SEMI-FINALS

TOLLER bt. PETYT BY 6 WICKETS

Petyt 80-6

J. Choudray 27 n.o.
M. Lockwood 2 for 2
M. Lockwood 27 n.o.
G. Williamson 3 for 8

Toller 81-4

ERMYSTED bt. HARTLEY BY 8 WICKETS

Hartley 108-8

J. Richards 3 for 30
E. Stephens 27 n.o.
J. Charlton 30 n.o.
H. Smith 28 n.o.
S. Wherity 28 n.o.

Ermysted 112-2

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3rd PLACE PLAY-OFF

HARTLEY bt. PETYT BY 27 RUNS

Hartley 135-7

M. Lewis 26 n.o.
T. Marlow 25 n.o.
G. Williamson 3 for 22
G. Williamson 30 n.o.
D. Barton 27 n.o.

Petyt 108-7

FINAL

TOLLER bt. ERMYSTED BY 6 WICKETS

Ermysted 100-5

J. Charlton 29 n.o.
H. Smith 29 n.o.
M. Lockwood 2 for 8
M. Lockwood 28 n.o.
J. Hand 28 n.o.
A. Dickson 24

Toller 101-4

Junior House Matches

18 OVERS PER SIDE

FINAL PLACINGS

1. Ermysted 2. Toller 3. Hartley 4. Petyt

SEMI-FINALS

ERMYSTED bt. PETYT BY 39 RUNS

Ermysted 69-7

T. Palin 21
J. Morris 4 for 10
P. Wrathmell 4 for 6
T. Palin 3 for 2

Petyt 30 all out

TOLLER bt. HARTLEY BY 9 RUNS

Toller 98-2

H. Bryan 28 n.o.
M. Wibberley 26 n.o.

Hartley 89-5

3rd PLACE PLAY-OFF

HARTLEY bt. PETYT BY 22 RUNS

Hartley 68-3

M. Smith 25 n.o.
D. Jamieson 4 for 2
S. Lofthouse 2 for 6

Petyt 46-9

FINAL

ERMYSTED bt. TOLLER BY 23 RUNS

Ermysted 92-7

P. Wrathmell 25 n.o.
A. Atkinson 3 for 16
M. Scotter 2 for 6
N. Thackray 3 for 6
S. Persson 2 for 7

Toller 69 all out

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Under 12 Retrospective

This year's Under 12s were the most promising team for a few years. The Sports Hall enabled evening nets to take place which were well attended.

Unfortunately, fixtures are hard to come by and the team only managed matches against Bradford and Ashville.

The Bradford match was a close game; Bradford elected to bat and made 127 for 9 off 35 overs, declaring just after tea. This proved an excellent declaration giving the School a comparable number of overs to achieve the runs. Andrew Atkinson batted extremely well and although wickets kept falling at the other end, kept the School just behind the run rate. He was left stranded, School being dismissed for 103.

The Ashville match in contrast was a 25 over game and proved to be a one-sided affair. Atkinson continued where he left off at Bradford and this time found somebody to stay with him. Nicholas Thackray scored 32 in a partnership of 103 with Atkinson who was eventually run out for 48. This gave him a season's average of 110.

The School's total was 124 for 4 after their 25 overs and then good captaincy by Atkinson enabled 8 of our team to bowl as we dismissed Ashville for 72, with Atkinson 3 for 4 and Longden 3 for 2 being the main wicket takers.

S.S.

Squad: M. Smith, A. Atkinson, R. Benson, N. Thackray, T. Palin, S. Lofthouse, R. Emmott, B. Smith, B. Chaksfield, M. Scotter, A. Longden, J. Pile, C. Butt.

Representative Cricket

Two young cricketers both at Ermysted's Grammar School have been making a name for themselves by being selected for representative teams, and one of them has written himself into the record books for the second successive year.

He is Simon Lewis, 14, of Ilkley, who has continued his excellent form of last season when he was Yorkshire Under 14 player of the year, opening for the side and being involved in a number of record partnerships, by being selected for the full Yorkshire county Under 15 side for this season.

This week he is playing against Wales, Leicestershire, Hertfordshire, Humberside and Staffordshire, and on Monday Yorkshire beat Wales by 10 wickets, scoring 258-0 in reply to Wales' 256-5.

Lewis and Chris Walls, of Easingwold, were the Yorkshire openers and their stand was the biggest for any wicket in the team's history. Lewis made 95 not out and Walls an unbeaten 147.

Last year the two took part in a record opening stand of 236 for Yorkshire Under 14s against Leicestershire at Skipton.

On Tuesday Yorkshire beat Staffordshire by nine wickets, scoring 142-1, Lewis hitting 72 not out and Walls 38 and they put on 88 for the first wicket.

Chris Campbell, 18, of Addingham, has been selected for the North Yorkshire Under 19 team for the forthcoming season.

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"Craven Herald" of June 3rd, 1994)*

Cross-Country

The cross-country team had another good year turning in many excellent individual performances, winning several team events and even getting to a National Final.

The find of the year David Huff (1G) led from the front literally, and won the Runner of the Year Trophy comfortably from last years' winner Chris Mason and 3rd placed Ben Rickaby.

SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS 1994

These races ran very much to form with our county representatives winning each of the four races (see photo).

New records were set in each race since they were all shortened and the Seniors' stroll up Sharp Haw came to an end. This also coincided with making the races obligatory for all pupils including the Upper Sixth Form. The team event was a close "run" affair with only four house points covering all of the houses. However, Toller by virtue of two wins in the four age groups held off the challenge of Hartley. The house results and top 10 individuals in each race are listed below.

| | Preliminary | Juniors | Intermediate | Senior |
|-----|--------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 1. | D. Huff | J. Burgess | B. Rickaby | C. Simpson |
| 2. | J. Pile | M. Brear | A. Emmot | D. Haggerty |
| 3. | P. Jaquin | H. Bryan | P. Gillings | J. Marchant |
| 4. | D. Robertshaw | S. Kennedy | S. Wormald | M. Lumsden |
| 5. | S. Robertshaw | S. Wherity | J. Wormald | S. Lyles |
| 6. | N. Thackray | E. Williams | N. Townson | E. Rankin |
| 7. | P. Lewis | I. Livesey | G. Smith | C. Kilner |
| 8. | A. Wright | A. Townson | A. Mitton | B. Whitfield |
| 9. | D. Roberts | W. Law | J. Jones | R. Dolphin |
| 10. | B. Smith | L. Walker | J. Wrathmell | J. Bailes |

HOUSE POINTS

1. Toller, 13 2. Hartley, 12 3. Ermysted, 10 4. Petyt, 9



SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY WINNERS, 1994

Craig Simpson, Ben Rickaby, David Huff

THE ENGLISH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY CUP

This is a competition for 1st and 2nd years and 3rd and 4th years. The 3rd and 4th year team fell at the first hurdle finishing only fifth out of 12 teams in the preliminary round at Harrogate Granby High School. Only Ben Rickaby who finished second in the race ran to form.

The younger lads more than made up for the disappointment, David Huff, though one year younger than most of his adversaries, stormed off on the first lap and was never caught. He led his team-mates through to victory and qualification for the regional round in Middlesbrough.

| | | |
|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| UNDER 13 | 1st | David Huff |
| | 10th | Max Brear |
| | 12th | David Middleton |
| | 15th | Ian Livesey |
| | 24th | Hereward Bryan |
| | 40th | Richard Green |

The regional round had 26 schools from as far afield as Whitley Bay down to Selby and across to Cumbria. A top three place was once again needed to qualify for the National Finals.

We were never going to win but good packing kept us in with a chance of third. Eventually after giving their all in sprint finishes our runners finished.

| PLACINGS | | TEAMS | |
|----------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|
| 12th | David Huff | 1st St. Cuthbert 45 | |
| 13th | Max Brear | 2nd Gosforth Central 46 | |
| 19th | David Middleton | 3rd Ermysted's G.S. 71* | |
| 27th | Ian Livesey | 4th Eskdale 71 | |
| 48th | Stephen Robertshaw | | |
| D.N.F. | Hereward Bryan | | |

* We won through only because Ian Livesey finished ahead of Eskdale's equivalent runner.

NATIONAL FINAL

Here the top three teams from eight regions throughout the country including Northern Ireland competed in the event at Rugby.

We didn't expect the team to win, but the boys who went down to run will have gained tremendous experience for the future and possibly next year's English School's Championship.

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|--------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| David Huff 40th | } | Team total 277 |
| David Middleton 49th | | |
| Max Brear 89th | | |
| Ian Livesey 99th | | |
| Hereward Bryan 112th | | |
| Stephen Robertshaw 140th | } | 19th Team in the country. |



E.G.S. HOME FIXTURES

This was our annual pre-Claro-Craven event. However, it was held in December because of competitions in January. Unfortunately it clashed with the English Schools Cross-Country Cup Finals so our 1st Year and 2nd/3rd Year teams were depleted. Nevertheless we did find some new stars of the future.

The Under 12s finished a creditable third team out of six. Duncan Robershaw ran well in seventh but Jonathan Pile made an impressive debut coming fifth, Chris Butt 12th and Tim Grainger 22nd completed the team.

The Under 14s despite four lads running at Rugby still completed 2½ teams. Chris Mason storming in with third place individually with good support in particular from David Sneddon 11th, Adrian Townson 23rd and Luke Walker 26th.

The Under 16s and Seniors failed to complete a team and this was irritating to the extreme in the Seniors where Daniel Haggerty won the race, Craig Simpson was second and Johnathan Marchant finished third. The winning team had 37 points so anyone at all even finishing last would have won for the team. Make sure this doesn't happen again!

FOUNDERS' DAY

The annual race against the Old Boys took place at Aireville Park after the Founders' Day service. The turn out of the Old Boys was well down on last year so only five runners would count. The race was won by that "honorary" old boy Stephen Speak. "Come on lads you should be able to beat me now I'm thirty!" Former Cross-Country captain Tom Robertshaw was second with Ben Rickaby leading the victorious School home in third.

It was nice to see former runners Simon Grace 7th and David Isherwood 17th but this year let's have a few more Old Boys competing!

Please contact the School and leave your current address if you want details of future Founders' Day races sent to you.

TEAM SCORES

| | | |
|----------|----------------|----------------|
| School | 3, 4, 6, 8, 9 | 30 points, 1st |
| Old Boys | 1, 2, 5, 7, 17 | 32 points, 2nd |

REPRESENTATIVE LEVEL CROSS-COUNTRY

Following the area championships nine boys were selected for the area teams in the County Championships again at Aireville Park. David Huff finished third with Johnathan Pile 18th. David qualified for the county team.

In the Under 14s James Burgess excelled finishing 13th and again making the team. Max Brear 33rd and David Middleton 42nd, both have another year at this age group and hopefully will make it then.

The Under 16s hope was Ben Rickaby. He ran under par finishing only 16th but still making the county team.

The Seniors saw cross-country captain Craig Simpson finish 11th, Daniel Haggerty 16th and next year's captain Johnathan Marchant 25th. Daniel and Craig made the county team.

At Beverley, running for their county and earning their county colours all of our runners performed up to expectations.

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|----------|--|
| Under 12 | David Huff, 6th |
| Under 14 | James Burgess, 11th |
| Under 16 | Ben Rickaby, 6th |
| Under 18 | Craig Simpson, 11th; Daniel Haggerty, 14th |

Orienteering

The School Orienteering Club continues to be seen in the forests and on the fells of Northern England, attending 24 events throughout the season. The School's league has been closely contended with Mark Villiers once again proving too strong for the rest. He managed to score maximum points from his best six events. The award for the best newcomer must go to Simon Wherity who finished in third place only a handful of points behind the evergreen Mr. Gill. Another pleasing newcomer was Richard Freytag who finished in seventh place.

The prestigious events in Britain, i.e. the J.K. and the British Championships, were held in the South of England so School was unable to attend. Also a lack of notification about the Yorkshire Schools Championships meant that School was unable to attend and defend the trophies won last year.

The badge scheme continues to prove popular with a number of boys achieving standards.

Yellow—Robert Stockdale, Philip Edwards, Andrew Atkinson.

Orange—Richard Freytag, William Taylor.

Red—Richard Freytag, Simon Wherity.

Green—Simon Wherity.

Next season promises to be one to look forward to with the J.K. being held in North Yorkshire. Easter 1995 will see up to 4,000 orienteers descend on Harrogate, and one of the individual days is at Kilnsey in Wharfedale. Hopefully School will be represented at the prestigious event for the first time!

Rugby 1993/1994

The School had an excellent year at all age levels. It is almost unknown for us to have winning teams at 1st XV, 2nd XV, Colts, Junior Colts and Under 13 levels. A check back through the records over the years would show the School as a whole having a winning average of about 40%. 1993/94 saw an astonishing 68.6% average achieved. The quality of improvement can be gauged from the normally tough fixtures against Kirkham, Silcoates, Harrogate G.S., Crossley Heath, P.H.G.S. Otley and K.E.S. Lytham, where a total of 28 wins, 3 losses and 1 draw was achieved.

This improvement is a great credit to the boys of these teams and the masters who give so much of their time to School Rugby.

However, before we become too euphoric, the fixtures against Q.E.G.S. Wakefield, Woodhouse Grove, Lancaster and Bradford G.S. serve as a salutary lesson as to where we stand in relation to the really top schools. There we had a record of 1 win 22 losses and 1 draw. There is still much to do. Much of the improvement is a result of games afternoons being used to teach and practise individual and unit skills. This has provided the boys with a solid basis on which to improve their performance.

Many boys are now members of local club sides, and so the School continues to be a breeding ground of great value to the area. It is not coincidental that every one of the successful Wharfedale 1st XV backs and half-backs (including reserves) is an Old Boy of E.G.S. It was also a source of some pride to watch Wharfedale Colts play in the final of the Yorkshire Colts Cup with no less than 13 of the current School 1st XV on display.

By the end of the season 10 boys had played for North Yorkshire Schools at Under 18 level and a further 5 at Under 16 level. Hodgson, Butterfield and Lyles played for the Yorkshire County State Schools, and the first two went on to play for the Full County XV with Butterfield also representing the Northern Counties.

Next season will see a new look 1st XV as all the backs will be new, the forwards should be a useful outfit with Lyles as captain and Hartley, Jubb, Voss, Whitaker, Robinson and Squires all having 1st XV experience. The 2nd XV will have some experience and a good crop of 5th Formers to draw upon. Lower down the School all the teams look to have good potential and overall E.G.S. Rugby is in good health.

1st XV Rugby

Expectations were high that Jacob Whittaker's team would be able to produce good results. Most of the backs had played the previous season, as had several of the forwards. These expectations were soon to prove correct as the team sailed through the early games gaining comfortable wins against Bingley, Ripon and Rishworth. The away game against Kirkham required a last minute try by Hodgson to secure a hard fought win. Silcoates were beaten for the first time since fixtures commenced in a game that we dominated, nearly gave away with penalties, and finally won when John Hartley capitalised on a defensive mistake. Hipperholme were then swept aside and the half-term finished with a dour 0-0 draw against a strong Harrogate side.

On resuming we went to Halifax and were soundly beaten by a big, strong and talented Crossley Heath team. This however spurred the team into gaining a good win away to Leeds G.S. which was followed by a comfortable win against Benton Park and then our first win for several years over Prince Henry's Otley. This game was one in which we were indebted to a strong performance by Ben Whitfield at scrum-half. In the next game at Q.E.G.S. Wakefield we allowed the opposition an early try, and then played very well



Duncan McNeil, Peter Butterfield, Richard Racz-Clark, Sam McGuinn, Anthony Knowles,
Rupert Topp, Andrew Hodgson, Christian Richardson, Edward Rankin, Robert Nelson,
Simon Walker, Sam Lyles, Jacob Whittaker, Dominic Addison, Andy Peel

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without being able to put points on the board. A succession of injuries also reduced our chances and two late penalties condemned us to a 0=14 defeat. The last School game of the term was a visit to Lytham where a good win was achieved. An eight point lead had been surrendered to two tries, one dubious and one easily avoided. Late in the game School gained a penalty which the captain decided against kicking, in the face of all perceived wisdom. However, his critics were silenced when he himself charged over from a planned tap-penalty move. A further score by Whitfield was the icing on the cake.

After Christmas we resumed with an early win against Fulneck, and then the wheels came off the wagon when successive games against Woodhouse Grove and Lancaster were lost. Lancaster were by far the most accomplished side that we played in the whole season and gave us an object lesson in ball retention, fast straight running, invention and solid tackling. The game against Woodhouse Grove was probably lost the night before as it was apparent that a good proportion of the team were not in a good enough state to compete for a full game and the final score of 5-28 included 21 points in the last ten minutes when tired and abused bodies could no longer compete. York then provided us with an confidence booster before the Bradford game. This was a dull and uninspiring game which Bradford won by a try, the only score of the game. School's achilles heel throughout the season had been the lack of a consistent goal-kicker, and in this game three kickable penalties went astray.

At the end of the season the Old Boys game was hosted by Wharfedale R.U.F.C. after having been re-arranged from Founders' Day when Sandylands was waterlogged. This was a keenly fought affair which School deservedly won 10-6 and thus lifted the trophy for the first time since 1990.

Altogether an excellent season, but there was just the hint that in some of the major fixtures losses could have been turned into wins with a little more self-discipline off the field and a little more accuracy with the boot.

D.S.

2nd XV Rugby

The 2nd XV enjoyed a successful season, scoring 275 points against 170. The squad began the season in fine style, demolishing a workmanlike Bingley G.S. XV with some real flair, a result which gave them the impetus for the remainder of the Autumn Term during which they lost only the match against Silcoates, and that by a four point margin. High points were the handsome 26-0 away win at Kirkham G.S. and the very dour 6-3 victory, again away, against Leeds G.S.

In the Spring Term fortune favoured the bigger schools, and we were defeated by Q.E.G.S. Wakefield, Woodhouse Grove, Bradford G.S. and a Lancaster R.G.S. side which was undefeated all season. The most notable victory of the term was against K.E.S. Lytham.

In the course of the season a large number of players developed their skills to the extent that there will be severe competition for places in next year's 1st XV. Grannan, Hey, Squire and Whitaker all won representative honours in the Under 16 age group. Lee led the side by example with his tireless back-row play; Wynn and Bayley proved to be fine finishers on the wings, W. Varley always kept the side in contention with some fine goal-kicking, whilst Smith's burgeoning skills eventually made the scrum-half berth his own.

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The front five developed into a very tough nut for opposing forwards to crack, emerging unbowed, if occasionally bloodied after some fearsome encounters against older, bigger players. Out of this unit mention should be made of M. Robinson, who made huge strides in his development as a hard scrummager with back-row mobility. The squad's strength lay in its admirable attitude, epitomised by the likes of Lovatt, Hamilton and Tucker, who would turn up when asked to at short notice, frequently playing out of position, and always giving 110%. The 1994-95 season should be very interesting!

PKW/CD

Colts XV Rugby

Once again the Malhamdale Trophy was won by the Junior Colts but for Mr. Wallace's and Mr. Howarth's Colts XV the season was not without its glories.

The games began in uncharacteristic fashion against first time opponents Bingley. The disappointing result was reflected in Mr. Wallace's post match "discussion" and ever popular training sessions. This obviously inspired the team as they immediately began a remarkable run of form. The Colts sailed through the next games with impressive and emphatic victories over Rishworth, Ripon and Kirkham, where the team played with great skill and dedication, and this form peaked with a 55-0 annihilation of one-time conquerors Silcoates, an astonishing improvement on the results of latter years.

The win over Harrogate did not carry the weight of previous scorelines, but the team produced displays of determination and ability as they beat Hipperholme, Crossley Heath and Otley 43-0, 44-5 and 50-7 respectively. A victory in gloomy conditions at Giggleswick was followed by the team's first real challenge in the form of Q.E.G.S. Wakefield. No team had ever even been ahead of this Q.E.G.S. side, but the Colts produced what must be the performance of the season. The whole team played their hearts out and in a concerted period of pressure they led 7-0, but it was a more experienced Wakefield side which managed to pull back the deficit and two late tries gave a slightly false scoreline to one of the team performances of their careers.

Two determined victories followed against Fulneck and a very professional Lytham side. The final league match of the year was against old rivals Bradford, and if you thought the team had played to its limits at Q.E.G.S., they surpassed those limits here. A Bradford side who had experienced walkovers for 3 years were shocked by a Skipton team who played with a rare fire and courage. The game looked incredibly within their grasp and several chances were squandered, but in the end they were beaten only by the clock.

However, it was a final game which reflected the skill and dedication with which the team played throughout the season, sealing some memorable victories with a huge points average, and so nearly achieving such major upsets.

The year did not end here, however. The Colts won a Yorkshire Schools tournament at Harrogate at the end of the season without conceding a single point, and several players made their debuts for the Claro-Craven team, with Adam Emmott continuing to represent them and North Yorkshire. It is a side with great promise for these and later years.



A. Preston, E. Stephens, S. Wormald, S. Dawson, M. Smith, B. Williams,
R. Beazley, E. Smith, P. Wilkinson, T. Marlow, E. Emmott,
A. Gowan, M. Geddes, M. Stewart, J. Charlton, L. McQuaid

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Junior Colts XV Rugby

| P | W | D | L | Points For | Points Against |
|----|----|---|---|------------|----------------|
| 14 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 471 | 136 |

The side are to be congratulated on winning the Malhamdale Trophy with a better record than their predecessors. On only one occasion during the season were they fully exposed by a powerful Lancaster side on a day when depleted by injuries, illness and absence. The final game almost brought a prestigious victory over Bradford G.S. Each scored three tries, and I am sure all will be straining at the leash next year to lift this especially prized scalp. There were three other close fought games against Otley, Giggleswick and Woodhouse Grove, the latter being proof that a 0-0 draw can be an entertaining and absorbing encounter.

In the other matches the team carried too much fire-power for their opponents, amassing points with relative ease and an occasional avalanche. The side was well equipped to run amok with strength both up front and behind, the power and technique to win the ball and the pace and fluency to use it. The pack had no weak link. Hand at number eight was a complete player, influential in all facets, exhibiting a calm authority. His back-row partners were the abrasive courageous Smith and the arch predator Hudson, a recruit from Rugby League whose ball skills and pace were invaluable. Both locks were a consistent strength. Goodall for his mazy runs and Purver for his line-out ball and unfashionable yet essential qualities of solid scrummaging, unseen mauling and close quarter tackling. Masson's hooking and throwing-in are already of a high standard, whilst prop Bellas produced frequent devastating bursts like a turbo-charged rhino. The other prop Hoyle, joining the side after the departure of Furnival to Scotland, proved a consistent source of quality maul ball.

The half-backs never quite provided the essential link the team requires to make it complete. However, scrum-half and captain Dawson led by example, always in the thick of the action, determined and lion-hearted. His service is his main limitation. Two fly-halves were used, first Lockwood a thoughtful player who has all the attributes for the position but needs to work on his basic speed and distribution. Wherity is an exciting prospect with good hands, the ability to time his passes to perfection as well as having an eagle-eye for a gap. Kennedy was a tower of strength in the centre. His speed off the mark often crushed the attacking intentions of his opponents before they could blink. He is a real competitor, does not believe in lost causes and epitomises the spirit of the side. His partner Richards was equally redoubtable. Several played on the wing. Burgess burst onto the scene long legged, awkward to put down, with a fair turn of speed, he will do a lot of damage next year. Lewis has great potential, runs with verve and has the makings of a fine goal kicker. Full-back Greenwood never flinched in adversity, got himself out of trouble when seemingly doomed, although he will need to improve his kicking game. Williams was always more than useful as a utility back with others such as Boatwright, the ever-faithful substitute and Dennison likely to be very much part of the act next season.

This is a side with exciting potential and we wish them well of 1994/95.

C.I.D./A.S.

Players: M. Dawson (capt.), L. Greenwood, M. Lewis, J. Burgess, D. Williams, S. Kennedy, J. Richards, S. Wherity, M. Lockwood, J. Hand, I. Hudson, H. Smith, J. Purver, H. Goodall, M. Hoyle, W. Bellas, P. Masson, M. Boatwright, D. Dennison, N. Pickles, J. Wightman, M. Crewe, G. Furnivall.

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Under 12 Rugby

On balance, this season's Under 12 XV emerged with credit, despite losing the majority of its fixtures. Facing a batch of the stronger rugby playing schools in the North of England is a daunting task, more so this season as Lancaster and Wakefield were particularly outstanding, even by their standards.

Things started out well with a gutsy away win at Silcoates in very wet conditions. Further early victories against Otley and Knaresborough continued the encouraging form. At this early stage it was the instinctive play of the backs that shone out, orchestrated by the impressive fly-half play of Benson, and finished off by the likes of Forman, Smithson and Thackray.

In the Spring Term our tougher fixtures pitched us against big, well organised packs. Despite never completely matching this challenge, the Ermysted's pack began to gel as a unit, and technique improved markedly. By March, the likes of Parker, Stansfield, Lofthouse, Cryer and Jaquin were beginning to show 2nd Years the way, in such matters as ball retention and rucking. For too much of the season, the team relied on the tackling of a few individuals like Benson, Forman, Smithson and Jaquin. It eventually improved in time for Bradford, courtesy of some tackling bags imported from Wharfedale, and a gruelling session "sensitively" tutored by Mr. Wallace.

Undoubtedly, the core of a good team exists here. With a bit more personal commitment to fitness and skills from the average squad members, potential will be realised.

S.H.

House Rugby

SENIOR

The annual House Tournament was played on an appalling day when the weather was so bad that after two rounds of matches it was decided to play no further.

As it was a short Term there was no alternative date available and so the results of that day were allowed to stand. The results were:—

Petyt 0, Toller 19
Ermysted 12, Hartley 5
Petyt 22, Hartley 10

FINAL POSITIONS

1=. Ermysted/Toller 3. Petyt 4. Hartley

JUNIOR

The atrocious weather wiped out all attempts to play the 1st and 2nd Form Junior matches. The 3rd and 4th Forms were luckier and the results were:—

Ermysted 0, Toller 29
Hartley 33, Petyt 5
Ermysted 10, Petyt 20
Hartley 38, Toller 7
Hartley 48, Ermysted 0
Toller 20, Petyt 17

Therefore the Junior Trophy was awarded on the basis of these games.

1. Hartley 2. Toller 3. Petyt 4. Ermysted

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Swimming Gala, 1994

SENIOR

| | | | | |
|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|------------|
| Freestyle x3 | 1. Bateman (H) | 2. Townson (T) | 3. Benson (P) | 1:13.2sec. |
| Freestyle x2 | 1. Rykman (H) | 2. Lyles (T) | 3. Townson (T) | 44.3sec. |
| Breaststroke x2 | 1. Lyles (T) | 2. Thackray (H) | 3. Benson (P) | 56.1sec. |
| Backcrawl x2 | 1. Smith (E) | 2. Bateman (H) | 3. Lyles (T) | 54.0sec. |
| Butterfly x1 | 1. Bateman (H) | 2. Lawson (T) | 3. Tetley (H) | 23.0sec. |
| Dive | 1. Foucher (H) | 2. Richardson (T) | 3. Beard (T) | |
| Relay | 1. Toller | 2. Hartley | 3. Ermysted | 1:40.4sec. |

INTERMEDIATE

| | | | | |
|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Freestyle x2 | 1. Quinn (E) | 2. Baldwin (T) | 3. Bellas | 40.4sec.* |
| Freestyle x1 | 1. Baldwin (T) | 2. Bellas (E) | 3. Stephens (H) | 19.0sec.* |
| Breaststroke x1 | 1. Quinn (E) | 2. Wightman (H) | 3. Lewis (H) | 21.1sec.* |
| Backcrawl x1 | 1. Baldwin (T) | 2. Stephens (H) | 3. Smith (E) | 22.9sec.* |
| Butterfly x1 | 1. Quinn (E) | 2. Smith (E) | 3. Wightman (H) | 19.9sec.* |
| Dive | 1. Doyle (P) | 2. Gowan (T) | 3. Lewis (H) | |
| Relay | 1. Ermysted | 2. Toller | 3. Hartley | 1:36.7sec. |

JUNIOR

| | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|------------|
| Freestyle x2 | 1. Townson (T) | 2. Potts (P) | 3. McDougal | 46.6sec. |
| Freestyle x1 | 1. Townson (T) | 2. Potts (P) | 3. Moran (P) | 21.1sec.* |
| Breaststroke x1 | 1. Breare (E) | 2. Jones (P) | 3. Potts (P) | 27.0sec. |
| Backcrawl x1 | 1. Townson (T) | 2. Burton (E) | 3. Jaquin (P) | 25.2sec. |
| Butterfly x1 | 1. Jones (P) | 2. Pile (H) | 3. Breare (E) | 28.0sec. |
| Dive | 1. Scargill (E) | 2. Webster (E) | B Smith (H) | |
| Relay | 1. Ermysted | 2. Petyt | 3. Toller | 1:44.6sec. |

VICTOR LUDORUM

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Senior | | |
| 1. C. Bateman (H) 19pts. | 2. S. Lyles (T) 16pts. | 3. N. Townson (T) 9pts. |
| Intermediate | | |
| 1. M. Quinn (E) 21pts. | 2. D. Baldwin (T) 19pts. | J. Wightman (H) 12pts. |
| Junior | | |
| 1. A. Townson (T) 21pts. | 2. L. Potts (P) 14pts. | 3. S. Jones () 12pts. |

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

| | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1. Ermysted, 140pts. | 2. Toller, 128pts. | 3. Hartley, 109pts. | 4. Petyt, 87pts. |
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Tennis

Aspiring Agassis, budding Beckers and stylish Sampras took to the courts again this year. The Junior (1st-4th) Knockout event was played over lunchtimes and resulted in a quick one set match between Warren Crundall and Paul Brotherton, Crundall eventually winning 6-0.

1. Warren Crundall (4W) 2. Paul Brotherton (3X)

Losing semi-finalists: Andrew Atkinson (1K) and John Melbourne (3X).

The Senior tournament is organised rather like the World Cup with a league basis before the knockout stage. Llyall, Taylor and Kilner all looked good in their league games with the eventual final between Rashid Hussain and Darren Smith taking place at the same time as the Staff Cricket Match. This was a tactical battle, Hussain winning 6-3,6-2 with some excellent tennis.

1. Rashid Hussain 2. Darren Smith

Losing semi-finalists: Luke Taylor and Chris Kilner.

S.D.S.

Parents' Association Report

As I write this, another School Year is drawing to a close and our final event of the year, the Summer Fayre has just been held. For the first time in several years the weather favoured us with a fine, warm afternoon and we were able to hold the event outside, which helped us to raise a record amount. The day was rounded off with a well attended Barbecue and Dance when an enjoyable time was had mastering the intricacies of Ceilidh dancing!!

Speech Day saw the official opening of the long awaited new Sports Hall, a truly magnificent facility, and an ambitious project to which parents past and present gave generously in various ways and through numerous activities. The Sports Hall is a much needed development which will benefit generations of boys at Ermysted's.

This has been a year of considerable progress for the Parents' Association and several new events have been organised to complement the "hardy annuals". Membership of the Development Fund, now run by Jane Swiffen, topped 200 for the first time, enabling a sizeable increase in prize money, and during the year over £1,000 was paid out to 60 lucky winners. The Fund was renamed, not surprisingly, the "200 Club". A record number of parents joined the PA insurance scheme which provides wide ranging cover at a very reasonable cost.

In the week prior to Christmas, Joan Wormald organised our first Wassail Evening, when a large number of parents, friends and relatives, fortified by mulled wine and mince pies, joined in carol singing led by the Parish Church Choir and the School Orchestra. This proved a most successful event, which by popular demand, will be repeated this year. The Christmas Raffle, run by Mary Binns, raised almost £1,800 — its highest ever amount, and a total of 71 good quality prizes were distributed.

Following the success of the uniform stall at the 1993 Summer Fayre, Jackie Hamilton arranged a sale of "re-cycled" uniforms at the end of January, raising a net amount of over £370. This facility provides a useful service to parents in addition to helping our funds. In March we held an Antiques Roadshow, run by Tennant's Auctioneers, and a wide range of unusual and interesting items were brought for valuation, though no-one was able to retire on the proceeds of their heirlooms! Our Joint Dance this year was held at the Girls' High School in May, music being provided by the Dale Country Band, and an excellent supper supplied by the parents of both schools.

During the year we have raised in excess of £7,000 and this has been used to benefit our sons in many ways. We have made a generous contribution towards the cost of the new minibus, which is equipped with up-to-date safety features. Equipment has been provided for the Chemistry department and the Modern Languages department has benefitted from our donation of Coomber cassette recorders. A weather station, which can be linked into the computer system, and field equipment have been supplied to the Geography department. We have assisted with the refurbishment of lockers for First Year boys and provided recording equipment for the Music, Drama and Art departments. Our final donation of the year was a labelling/signing machine and it came in response to an irresistible plea from the incomparable pen of "Adj" Douglass!

This has been a successful year thanks to the team effort of many parents. My thanks go to John Hindle, our Treasurer, Corinne Rowley, the Secretary, all members of the Parents' Association Committee who give freely of their time to attend meetings and organise events, all those who assist through being on the "helpers" list, and the numerous parents who donate prizes and actively support our various activities. We are greatly indebted to Anne Scales and Marilyn Midgley in the School

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Office, who somehow find the time to deal with our administration and co-ordinate communications between the PA and parents.

I would particularly like to thank the Headmaster, David Buckroyd, who has been an ever present guide at our meetings despite his demanding schedule, and whose contribution to our work is of immense value, as is his advice and wise counsel.

The end of the year always brings goodbyes to those parents whose sons have completed their education at Ermysted's. This year is no exception, and we are losing three of our stalwarts who have been associated with the School for many years, Michael and Mary Binns have been closely involved with the PA, whilst their two sons have been at the School, Michael having served as Chairman on two separate occasions with distinction and total commitment, and Mary has been involved in the organisation of the Summer Fayre, the Christmas Raffle and the Development Fund, these being major fund-raising activities. We shall miss their support and contribution and I know they will miss Ermysted's. Michael Schosland has also had close links, over many years, with the School, having served as Treasurer on the PA, and organiser of liquid refreshments at many of our events! To all three I say thank you for all their help and send best wishes for the future, and we shall be pleased to see them back at our events as the opportunity arises.

The challenge with which we are faced in 1994-95 is to maintain the momentum achieved this year, but I am sure that with the support, enthusiasm and initiative of parents, including those coming into Ermysted's for the first time in September, we can look forward to another busy and successful year.

HOWARD CUTLER

Chairman, E.G.S. Parents' Association

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Chris Davies, at the School (strictly postal business, please!)

Leaving School

My predecessor as Chairman of the Old Boys, Brian Cartwright, headed his contribution to the Chronicles last year "Forty Years On". Appropriately, I too could have used the same title as I am now in my 40th year since leaving Ermysted's.

On reflection however, I have to say that the expression "leaving Ermysted's" doesn't have the right ring about it from my point of view. Unlike a large number of boys who have been educated at Ermysted's, I have led what many may consider to be a parochial existence, having remained rooted in Skipton all my life. The nearest I came to escaping was when I was called up for National Service and passed the medical A1, although calling it a medical is really stretching the true meaning of the word. Alas, the tide of history overtook me, conscription was cancelled and my chance to see other parts of the world at Her Majesty's expense disappeared.

The fact that I didn't leave Skipton brings me back to my reflection on the term "leaving Ermysted's". Remaining in the town and, from the start of my working career, being nurtured by a boss who was an Old Boy himself and insisted we retain close contact with the School, I somehow feel that I've never actually left the School. This had been added to by the fact that I have three sons who all went to Ermysted's, moving on from there to Universities, and I have two step-sons who are taking the same route at this moment in time. Furthermore, I have been involved with the Old Boys' Society for the past twenty years hence my strong feelings that I am still part of the School.

An old saying is "Familiarity breeds contempt". In my case nothing could be further from the truth. Familiarity has bred pride in the School, in the way it has operated, the results it has achieved and in the standing it has in the educational world.

This feeling of pride was enhanced even more on the 12th July this year with the official opening of the Sports Hall built to commemorate the Quincentenary of the School. All Old Boys whose sporting experience at Ermysted's was based on the old Gym will be truly envious of the wonderful facilities now available to the pupils and I would like to take this opportunity of thanking those Old Boys who contributed to the Appeal and helped to bring about this magnificent achievement.

The only funds available to the Old Boys' Society are those raised via the £5 annual subscription approximately 350 of you pay, out of which we pay for the "Chronicles" you receive, and any profit we make at the Old Boys' Dinner. It is gratifying therefore to report that a donation of £6,000 was made to the Sports Hall Fund from the Old Boys' Society.

More recently, as a result of a spate of tragic accidents involving school minibuses, the Governors decided that it was imperative that Ermysted's minibus be brought up to the highest safety standards by the fitting of seat belts. When all options had been considered, the only choice was to purchase a brand new vehicle and this has already been done. Over recent years, the Old Boys' Society has built up a fund towards the upkeep of the minibus and I am pleased to report the sum of £4,500 has been handed over towards the cost of the new bus.

The purchase of the bus is not the end however. School funds have been depleted in order to complete the Sports Hall, the bus will require continuing service and maintenance, and I want the Old Boys' Society to continue assisting the School financially wherever possible. Your continued support is essential and I sincerely hope that as many of you as possible will attend Founders' Day and the Old Boys' Dinner on the 10th December. I look forward to seeing you then.

Ken Oxley
Chairman

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Old Boys' News

David Hewetson is a Pharmaceutical Salesman, based in Reading.

David Binns has won — for the fourth time the R.S.P.B./Fine Art award for a painting of three herons “Fine Plumes on a Grey Day”.

Chris Baker has been appointed President of the Bradford Union of Golf Clubs.

Neil Heseltine was ‘on the bench’ for Yorkshire in the County Championship Final against Durham at Twickenham.

Also at Twickenham, Harry Crabtree, as President of Skipton R.U.F.C. was a guest of the R.F.U. at the England v. Ireland International.

John Socha has gained a B.Sc. in Information Systems Technology at Anglia Polytechnic University in Chelmsford.

David Butcher has been elected President of the Keighley and Craven Law Society.

Charles Whiteley (1983-1990) has graduated from Downing College Cambridge with a 2.1 in Law. He has been awarded a scholarship at the Inns of Court Bar School.

Tim Woodburn was awarded a 2.1 in Economics at Guildford. He now works in an employment agency in Manchester.

Blake Morrison’s autobiographical work “When Did You Last See Your Father?” featured strongly in the sales charts in the middle of 1994.

Stephen Anderton (1966-1973), working for English Heritage, is helping to recreate a medieval herb garden at Mount Grace Priory, near Northallerton.

Darren Moorby (1983-1990) is an English Language Assistant in Göttingen.

Philip Dee (1973-1980) has gained his Ph.D. in Nuclear and Particle Physics at Birmingham University.

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Richard Walker (1983-1990) has gained a B.Sc. (Hons) in Geography at Newcastle University and has joined Touche Ross, the accountants, at Birmingham.

Alastair Wallbank holds an M.Sc. in Marine Resources and Management from Herriot Watt University.

Ian Wallbank has taken a degree in Environmental Technology at Sunderland.

Old Boy Andrew Wilson visited the School in November. He is now Professor of Astronomy at the University of Maryland and the Hubble Space Telescope Institute. He donated a collection of mirrors and lenses for use in astronomical telescopes to the Physics department. "In gratitude to Messrs. W. A. Beatty, W. Evans and E. Whitehead for stimulating a lifelong love of Physics and Astronomy".

Ermysted's had the distinction of fielding a player on each side in the Universities Athletic Union R.U. Final which was held at Twickenham in March 1994. Glen Harrison played for West London Institute, whilst Declan Hayes played hooker for the University of Northumbria. Declan's team won by 13 points to 9.

Marriages

Philip Bentley to Clare Fieldhouse at the Sacred Heart Church, Broughton.

David Hewetson to Nicola Anne Catto at St. Mary's Church, Carleton.

Malcolm Thornton to Hilary Margaret Cleminson at Holy Trinity Church, Skipton.

Paul McGowan to Alison Rachel Throup at St. Mary's Church, Bradley.

Jeremy Taylor to Diana Katherine Melck at St. Peter's Church, Church Lawford, Rugby.

Neil Alderson to Alicia Catherine Roberts at St. Leonard's Church, Chapel-le-Dale.

Jeremy Capstick to Penelope Susan Leaver at the Church of St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney.

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Obituaries

ALAN WALTON (75) — Alan served in the army during the war, in the Western Desert, Palestine and Jerusalem. Afterwards he spent 26 years in the Ambulance Service, and worked for Alfred Green's of Skipton.

JOHN GEORGE HESELTINE (80) — During the war 'Jack' was a sergeant in the Military Police, and was then employed by P. Green Ltd., in Bradley.

MARTIN BEECROFT (65) — Martin expanded the family business in Long Preston after the war on the agricultural side. Later he set up a major distribution supply agency at Preston Docks during the oil crisis. A sportsman, he enjoyed racing vintage cars and sailing. At various times he was chairman of Long Preston Parish Council, a trustee on the Long Preston Water Trust and clerk to the James Knowles Trust (Alms Houses).

CHARLES MARK ("CHARLIE") CUTLER (80) — He was at Ermysted's from 1919-22. In his early career he was Deputy Clerk to Barnoldswick Urban District Council, before moving to the legal department at Dagenham Borough Council in Essex. On his return to Skipton he worked at the Rover Company in Carleton and then joined Steele and Sons Solicitors as a legal executive, where he remained for 29 years until his retirement. He played a prominent part in the formation of the Barnoldswick and District Branch of the Old Boy's Society, and he was closely associated with Ghyll Church, both as a warden and lay reader. He was also well known in Thornton-in-Craven through his years as Clerk to the Parish Council and Almshouse Trustee. His two sons attended Ermysted's, Donald from 1945-50, and Howard from 1954-62. His youngest grandson, Oliver is currently a pupil at the School, maintaining a close family link with Ermysted's which goes back 75 years.

Individual Contributors

Rats

Moonlight slanted through the broken window, throwing eerie shadows across the roughly paved floor. The rotten beams creaked and groaned in the night breeze. There was a rustling noise in the shadows as a thin bony creature in a long hooded cloak ran out into the moonlight; it leapt onto the window-ledge and was off out of the window in a flash.

Out in the courtyard more creatures began to appear, all were dressed in the long cloak. Their faces were indistinguishable as they were hidden by the large hood.

Then, as if from nowhere there appeared a slightly larger animal, carrying a long staff with two menacing forks at the end. These were tipped with spikes that gleamed and shone in the dark night. The creature's face was caught in the silver light; the face was evil. A RAT!

The rodent's eyes darted here and there noting his repulsive army as he walked towards them, an evil grin spreading across his face.

The horde of rats gathered beneath their leader who had arranged himself on an uneven stone. Two rats stood by their leader each holding a sceptre. On the end of each sceptre was a skull, about the size of a young rabbit's. The skulls glowed hauntingly as the evil rat began to speak.

"Listen rats, the time has come for us to overcome those weak woodland animals. I, and I alone will rule all Oakwood, the woodlanders will be imprisoned in my kingdom. It shall be called Ratwood. I am Ratzra, the voice of evil!"

The rats weren't the only ones who heard Ratzra's evil speech!

The silent mouse had heard enough. He carefully scrambled down from his perch on the crumbling walls and dashed off through the wild jungle of long grass and brambles to warn his friends of the oncoming danger they were about to face.

He arrived breathless at the great, towering oak. He desperately rummaged about at the foot of the tree tearing aside weeds and clumps of grasses. The young mouse was sure it was there. At last his hands felt a curved, smooth object. Groping around in the dark he pulled out the slender horn and put it to his lips. One gently blow brought a loud, deep warning sound; it echoed around the wood waking all its sleeping residents. The horn had not been blown for generations, at first nobody recognised the noise but gradually the older creatures started to realise what it was. Soon all the animals were gathered beneath the old, gnarled oak. There was a mixture of creatures, rabbits, hares, squirrels, moles, mice, a few badgers, otters and hedgehogs. Quickly Hewlett, the young mouse, explained their situation. Since the coming of Ratzra Hewlett had been watching the abbey carefully, the evil rat had driven them deep into the wood and now he had let the abbey fall into ruins. The animals wanted their abbey back but they did not have an army strong enough to defeat Ratzra's. Now they had a chance to ambush the rats who would not be expecting them. The animals formed a council consisting of one of each creature. Hewlett was elected to speak for the mouse community.

The council stayed up the rest of the night discussing their plan of action. After a somewhat argumentative night they worked out what to do. As the dawn broke the animals dispersed, their final plan was to be laid out in front of the other creatures after they had all eaten. Soon the wood was alive with voices and shouts as the woodlanders ate. The council announced their plans beneath the great oak that had earned the wood its name.

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“The plan is as follows: When the rats march half of you will go down the escape tunnels to the abbey, you will hold the abbey while the rest of us ambush the rats. All the squirrels shall remain here with their bows and hide in the trees. The moles and other digging animals shall go along the tunnels in case of a blockage. The creatures who are staying here will lay traps in case the rats penetrate our defence. Is that clear?”

“Yeah!”

“Right lets go!” The woodlanders rushed off to carry out their allotted tasks. Hewlett sent the squirrels up into the trees to see if the rats were on the march. He bounded down quickly to report that Ratzra was on his way. “Right, off you go!” Hewlett yelled to the moles and rabbits.

Soon the squirrels were ready and the traps were laid. The animals lay waiting for Ratzra to invade their wood.

By dawn the rats were ready to march. Ratzra called one of his hooded rats to one side.

“Right Clothears, I want you to go and scout the area, I don’t want any of those animals giving the game away do you hear me?”

“Aw but chief, can’t you send Dudnose? I always miss all the fun, go on chief.”

“You’re right, you always miss all the fun, why don’t you go and have a rest.” A crafty grin spread across his face.

“Aw thanks chief,” he was totally taken in.

In a flash Ratzra’s staff lashed out, taking the rat by the throat. “Sleep well!” he laughed. Flinging the body to the ground Ratzra turned to his army. “Right, gather up your weapons, we’re off”.

The armed rats marched across the roughly paved courtyard amidst the weeds and debris. They were led out, under the crumbling archway where the gate had once hung, but this was before Ratzra had daunted the old abbey with his evil presence.

At a signal from Hewlett the squirrels strung their bows. They sat tensely in the trees waiting for the right moment.

As the army neared the fringe of the wood the evil rat stopped his troops. Checking everything was under control he turned round and charged; the follower rats ran with him, screaming and shouting.

They ploughed into the wood stumbling over tree roots as they went. Roosting birds rose in the air and innocent creatures desperately scurried out of the way as the rats charged on.

All of a sudden Ratzra stumbled and fell, an arrow protruding from his side. He was trampled to death by his charging army who were felled by more arrows. The remaining rats fled, dropping their weapons as they ran.

It was over almost as soon as it had started. Ratzra lay dead, killed by the ghostly arrow.

J.H. (1G)

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Sour Beer

This poem is set in the Black Bull, the place where Branwell Brontë effectively drank himself to death. In the poem the aforesaid Branwell considers his own life as opposed to those of his sisters, and is shocked and dismayed at the result.

1/ The dregs in my flagon settle out, misty,
Unclear as the shifting circumstances of my useless life.
Opaque of character, mysterious, pointless,
The sands of my fate continue, stoically, to drop to oblivion.

2/ But will my sisters now, in apathetic reflection,
Ponder the moments already lost to eternity.
Will their busy feet come to an eerie still, as in vacant agony,
Lament upon those days, lost, irreversibly to Time.

3/ Our last drinks, the inspiration of my listless sentence,
The ambrosia calm to cool my own hot brain.
But though, on loftier scales, will they now be sampling,
Their insipid medicine, their cursed poetry.

4/ Back there, in their comfortable little clique,
Their narrow niche of insufferable safety,
Their cotton wool existence impossible to pollute,
Their rose tinted bauble impervious to the Pins of Life.

5/ There they sit, as the eternal Sisters of Fate,
To spin and tamper with the lives of us common mortals,
To apply the shears whenever they see fit,
As in their callousness are insensible to emotion.

6/ There they stand, upstarts unabashed, of vainglorious mien,
Ambassadors of their sex in the society of men.
Boldly portraying the colossi of the universe,
In order to colour the judgement of these true, honest hearts.

7/ There they pace, around the table, the centre of their mechanisms,
'Tis the cauldron from which their spells potent boil,
Their candles, burning bright in the darkness
Whilst here my miserable flicker dulls and dims.

8/ For yet, of their motives, their higher meanings,
I have no glimpse, no understanding.
Had I such an aim, which high, and loftily
Stimulated, then was this life for ever not in vain.

J.D.G. (4G)

“Getting into Oxford — Unofficial Guidelines!!”

by John Lovell

(Studying English at Oriel College — and ex-Ermysted’s)

1. Don’t be intimidated by interviewers — the fact that you’ve got that far obviously means they are interested in you, i.e. don’t be put off by the tutors’ seemingly disinterested or arrogant approach. They are only “trying it on” — take your time, answer sensibly and sound enthusiastic!
2. You’ve only got 20 minutes to really convince them (at every opportunity) that you’re the one. There’s very little to choose between candidates at this interview stage so prove you have that little extra to offer — sporting prowess often impresses (my tutor still thinks I’ve played for the University) but my tutors were taken by my New Zealand links — writing in rugby programmes and following the 1991 Rugby World Cup. I’ve done very little writing since but it had a lot to do with getting in. Obvious interests in non-A-level literature are also a bonus — I studied up on 1950s novels and that went down well. Most colleges want someone that little bit different from the rest. Remember now is the best time, especially when colleges are being encouraged to “recruit” more northerners and state school candidates!
3. Manoeuvre your answers to the areas you are confident on — there’s nothing worse than floundering on a question you can’t really answer, rather than stuttering and stumbling, switch course slightly — this obviously has to be a subtle one. I was asked about tragedy in Hamlet, which I knew very little about — so made a general point on it and backed it up with points from King Lear — which I had studied at A-level. I could talk confidently about it and was able to show I was a strong candidate. Too often good candidates freeze despite knowing as much as the next person. The secret is to stay calm, be flexible and think on your feet! Avoid those dreaded long silences after a tutor’s question — you can have loads of them once you’re in!
4. Look confident — dress smartly don’t forget. Also during the interview don’t nervously scratch your ear, nose, etc. Keep your hands firmly on your knees or use them when enthusiastically expounding a literary theory! Look the part, relax, be yourself.
5. Prepare yourself for the fact that you may get a nasty interviewer — at Oriel they use a “good guy” and “bad guy” routine. The bad guy tries to unsettle you — he may ask you to explain why the tax-payer should pay so much for you to be here. This is not a personal attack and simply gives you the chance to tell them what makes you so special. They want to see how you can cope with pressure.
6. Tell them how motivated you are and sound enthusiastic about coming to Oxford. Make them see that you are desperate to study here, i.e. suck up to them a bit (not too much) because they like that. Many tutors have commented that the unsuccessful candidates are those who seem indifferent to whether they come here or not. Show your “excitement” at the prospect of studying here.

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Verses

In the Spirit of Philip Larkin

CHECKOUT GIRL

I spent a little time
In a large white shop,
Looking for some thyme
And a nice lamb chop

I came to the till
And met a painted smile,
A checkout girl, if you will
A girl of little guile

“Would you like a bag with that?”
In reply I had to say,
“I’d rather touch you on your hat,
As bright as golden May”.

G.S. (6B)

SECURE

People say I’m insecure
But I just don’t know why,
Even though I act demure,
And often even shy.

I have no problem with my looks;
I’m loved by all the lasses.
I’ve lost my faith in “crappy” books,
They gave me inch-thick glasses.

I rather like my mis-shaped skull,
There’s nothing I’d rather see.
I used to be a librarian in Hull,
Oi! are you looking at me?

J.J.C. (6B)

“PHILIP LARKIN: A SAD LIFE”

I think books are cool,
Women sleazy and cruel,
The work I do is not that bad,
But I am very sad.

B.T. (6B)

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MOURNING

My face is crap, I think to myself
As I stare in the once-intact mirror;
Oh what the hell, I hate these specs,
I'll cut off one of my ears.

It's the library today, my favourite thing
(The blood runs down my pants);
I really cannot wait until nine p.m.
I'm lecturing both my female fans.

Anon (6B)

CEMENT

or

AN EPITAPH TO A FRIENDSHIP

It seemed perfect,
Just the right amount of everything.
It was still wet and weak,
But the sun shone down,
And made it adamant.

It seemed complete,
The one bonded to the other
As one thing — secure.
But then the rain came,
And the partnership was tested.

J.D.G. (4G)

The School Study Trip to Calvados, 1994

This was very interesting and educational trip, during which I learnt many things about French people and their ways of life, as well as learning about D-Day. There were about 50 people on this trip, around 35 Second Years, with a few Third and Sixth Formers. The trip was organised by Mr. Armstrong, helped by Mr. Speak, and was a great success. We stayed at a centre, especially designed for large groups like us. There was a main building, in which there was a canteen and also table tennis tables. There were four huts of dormitories behind this main building, a grassed playing area in front of it and an activities centre next to it. The activities centre had a gym and bowling facilities. We arrived at the centre on Monday evening, tired after the long journey.

On the Tuesday we set off for Bayeux, and firstly visited the Tapestry, which told us many things about William and Harold, and the battle of Hastings in 1066. All of the information was available in English; a film, also in English, was very interesting as it explained everything very clearly, showing pictures of the Tapestry to explain it.

After visiting the Tapestry we walked around Bayeux and completed a treasure hunt, where we had to find out various things about different places in Bayeux, which were described in our booklets. (The booklets were given to us by Mr. Armstrong on arriving at the centre). It was very interesting to have to use our French to complete the quiz, although we did find an ice-cream man who could speak English, which helped a little.

In the afternoon we visited Le Mémorial in Caen, a war museum, concentrating particularly on D-Day. We saw two films here, which were all about D-Day.

On the Wednesday we visited Mont St. Michel, a granite outcrop 900m round and 80m high, it was a very interesting visit, particularly finding out about the abbey at the top of the outcrop. Stones were brought over from France to build this, and its foundations.

On the Thursday we visited a sea museum where all the descriptions of the fish were in English, which made it more interesting for us. We also saw some giant turtles and a tame shark. We were even allowed to put our hands into the shark's tank!

Later on we visited Arromanches, a small seaside town, famous for the D-Day landings. Here we saw the beaches and also visited an excellent museum relating to D-Day, once again, thankfully, everything was available in English and even the film could be seen in English. There were maps and models explaining the landings. We then visited Arromanches itself and saw various pieces of weaponry displayed outside the museum.

In the later afternoon we visited the American and German cemeteries, which were very peaceful and quiet.

On the Friday we visited the local hypermarket in which many people bought presents for parents and brother or sisters. The prices here were good on most equipment, providing you paid in Francs, not Sterling.

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The return journey was a long one, and the ferry ride seemed as if it would never end, but luckily the cinema was there to help pass the time.

Overall this was a very interesting and educational trip and we are all grateful to Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Speak for leading it.

A.Q. (1G)

Skipton - Simbach Schools' Exchange, 1993/94

The last academic year saw the tenth exchange between E.G.S., S.G.H.S. and the Tassilo Gymnasium, Simbach am Inn. This year 12 boys from the Fourth Form participated. As well as experiencing a day in school with their partners, the group also visited Berchtesgaden, where they spent two hours in the Badreichenhall salt mines. Highlights of the trip included some hair-raising descents on polished wooden chutes and the crossing of a subterranean lake by raft. This had been preceded in the morning by a serene boat trip on the Königssee. A further day was spent in Passau, close to the Czech frontier, where the group listened to a concert on Europe's largest church organ, shopped in the picturesque old part of town, and visited the castle perched high on a hill overlooking the confluence of three rivers (Danube, Inn and Ilz), whose waters are each of a distinct — and different — colour. Their hosts organised a successful evening's entertainment in a local hostelry, where the Simbach school's rock band was a big hit.

The return visit was in April, when German studnets visited the Lake District, Whitby, Robin Hood's Bay and York.

The exchange once again proved to be a great success on a variety of levels — personal, academic and cultural, and preparations are under way for the next visit to Simbach in October 1994.

P.K.W.

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A Dungeons and Dragons Competition, Spring 1994



Up until the date of the competition, the team met almost every lunchtime to practise for the event, using an adventure designed by Richard Massie. Although at first we kept arguing and progressing through the adventure slowly, we finally reached a reasonable level of co-operation.

Finally the great day arrived. We were driven by Mr. Jones and Mr. Massie over to Liverpool to the Blue Coat School. We were introduced to our Dungeon Master, who was there as a reserve, as our proper dungeon master hadn't turned up. While he went away to receive his briefing, we were given our character sheets. The characters were as follows:

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| Ross Stephenson | : | Tefla the Fighter |
| Matthew Town | : | Molcer the Thief |
| Andrew Jones | : | Baltor the Dwarf |
| Simon Mounsey | : | Quelleda the Elf |
| Richard Massie | : | Staril the Cleric |
| Oliver Longden | : | Zantoc the Magic User |

Some of the characters' personalities were quite awkward, such as Quelleda who enjoys playing practical jokes on his companions; and Baltor who enjoys walking into traps, small furry animals and sentimental poetry.

When the D.M. returned we commenced our adventure. We started off in the village of Balneum. Here we found that the entire population had been mindwashed. I suggested at this point that it could be the work of a vampire, but everyone agreed that it was very unlikely. How wrong we were . . . after burning down Telfa's house, we met a mad pirate who was captain of a rowing boat, who warned us of a noble called Atarax. We continued through the adventure for 35 minutes.

We finally reached the island of Atarax, and we were feeling quite pleased because none of us had lost a single hit point. Suddenly we were set upon by a pack of hungry wolves. It was at this point that Quelleda decided to practise his practical jokes by tripping up our best fighter!

At last we met Atarax. We still hadn't lost any hit points, so we didn't feel very threatened. Richard walked right up to him and attacked. Unfortunately, Atarax knocked him out with one swipe, knocking off 10 hit points. Feeling a little more nervous, Simon said, "Here, have a magic missile!", to which he replied, "Ha ha ha, have one back!" Beginning to panic now, Oliver quickly made a Molotov cocktail and threw it down the corridor at him. This seemed to have no effect, so we started throwing grenades of holy water at him. On enquiring how he looked, we were told he was looking "a little peaky". He then cast sleep and web spells on the party catching everyone except me and Oliver. Oliver promptly decided to run away and leave us behind but got quickly killed on the way. When I attacked him, he hit me and knocked off 20 hit points and 2 levels. I tried to back away to the door but it was time out.

Later we found out that we'd missed some vital clues that we needed to kill Atarax. We also found out that he was a vampire and a Level 9 Magic User. When the points were totalled, we had not got through to the next round. Even though we hadn't got any further, we had all had a good time. We won a game of basic Dungeons and Dragons for the School, and a bag of various D&D gear each. All in all, we had a good attempt and we would all like to do it again next year.

A.B.J. (3W)

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Sixth Form Soccer Tournament Summer 1994

This year the competition attracted much interest with a total of five teams entering. “The Waterfront Top Scorers” set the early pace with a +9 goal difference after only four games. The new league system meant that every team had at least four games; “The Wrecking Crew” were the unlucky side to be knocked out after the first stage.

The best game of the tournament came in the semi-final between “The World Cup All-Stars” alias the teachers and “Albion-Albion” led by “Mad Dave Hindle”. Steve Howarth was lucky to stay on the field after a moment of madness in which he leapt into the air and pushed the ball into touch. After a hot-tempered extra time the game went to penalties and Mr. Bendall had the unfortunate task of taking the final spot kick. His shot was sliced wide and victory went to the “Albion”.

In the other semi-final “Waterfront T.S.” ran out comfortable victors against “Wynny’s Shoes” with Brendan Thorn scoring a hat-trick in a five-nil win.

The final itself was played in a very defensive manner with “Albion-Albion” being pinned back for most of the game. The goal that finally broke the deadlock came with a minute to go, a long drive from midfield maestro Jonny Marchant
“The Waterfront Top Scorers” were deserved champions with final statistics of:

| Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | For | Against |
|--------|-----|-------|------|-----|---------|
| 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 0 |



Winning Soccer Team

Mark Rasche, Richard Scotter, Brendan Thorn,
Jonny Marchant, Matthew Short, Michael Jubb



Staff Cricket Team

Staff Cricket

The Jabberwocks, 1994

This season has seen the team cementing their links with the men from the hills with two fixtures each against Appletreewick and Hebden. This gave the Dalesman the treat of playing on the “Top”, for them a predictable billiard table heavily suggestive of “proper cricket”. For the Jabberwocks playing in the demi-paradise of luxurious riverine splendour offered an unparalleled pleasure. All were impressed by the Hebden “half oval” and its magnificent grandstand of partially vegetated spoil heap courtesy of the lead mining era. An elevated viewpoint behind the bowler’s arm above the midge zone! An essential part of the “modern” game has been the opportunity to repair in the gloaming with contented team-mates to an inviting hostelry for hearty supper and an ale or twain.

In all six games were played and only the combined might of the Bowman Riley consortium lowered our colours, albeit with more ringers than an international tintinabulators’ convention. The most serious challenge came from the staff of Ashville College, Harrogate where nine staff dressed to sartorial perfection, and being the most athletic of our brethren comfortably defeated the men from the independent sector. They were so crest fallen that few could bring themselves to indulge in the convivial atmosphere of the “Squinting Cat”.

C.I.D.

Chess

Nigel Short v. Gary Kasparov, the World Championship in London. With this kind of publicity it seemed an ideal time to restart a Chess Club. Mr. Speak and Mr. Kelly were astounded by the response. After an initial blitz and lack of boards for the numbers attending we settled down to around 80 regulars and 20 new boards! These competed in 3 chess ladders arranged solely on expertise. The Beginners, Intermediates and Advanced. The competitions each worked in the same way. Players could challenge any of the three people above them in the ladder. If they won they “leap-frogged” above that player who along with any overtaken players dropped down one place. If the challenger lost, no changes were made to the ladder. The final regulation was that each player had to come at least once in any three week period or he lost his place in the ladder.

This made for a very interesting two terms of ongoing competition especially towards its culmination at Easter. The final positions in each ladder were as follows with the top three each receiving certificates.

| Beginners | Intermediates | Advanced |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| David Hargreaves (4W) | Antoni Hartley (5C) | Fawood Razaq (6AH) |
| Richard Warren (1K) | Ian Livesey (2S) | Karsten Hill (6BX) |
| William Hatcher (1K) | Andrew Duffy (4G) | Ben Lund (5X) |

To maintain interest and hopefully attract new members a Junior (1st to 3rd Years) and Senior (4th to 6th Years) Chess Knockout Championship was arranged, 39 competed in the Junior and 27 in the Senior sections. The added dimension of timed games was brought into the Quarter Finals and beyond, which led to some rather rash moves and occasional upsets. The eventual winners of each tournament again received certificates and, as we hoped, many new members were enlisted.

| Junior | Senior |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1st. Lee Hobson (2S) | 1st. Mark Villiers (6BS) |
| 2nd. Matthew Smith (1K) | 2nd. Richards Taylor (6AK) |
| 3rd. Ian Livesey (2S) | 3rd. Neil Cartman (5D) |

The York Open Chess Championships

On Saturday, April 16th Mr. Kelly took a group of 16 boys to play in these championships. Hopes were high and with some justification after all these were the E.G.S. chess elite.

The tournament adopted a “Swiss system” which means you tend to play competitors with the same number of wins as you go through each round. There were 6 or 7 rounds in each age group’s competition.

However, the competition was very strong indeed with match postmortems and discussion of Gambits, Sacrifices and the Queen’s Red Indians! “Some of

them were like walking chess encyclopedias". In spite of this the teams did quite well with some excellent individual performers.

| Under 13s | Under 15s | Under 18s |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 11th. Matthew Smith | 14th=. Ian Jesson | 7th. Nasir Bashir |
| 21st. Aaron Hurst | 14th=. Stuart Spooner | 9th. Gary Smethers |
| 28th. Paul Chattaway | 22nd=. Andrew Duffy | 15th=. Hamor Ahmed |
| 42nd. Wayne Gray | 22nd=. David Hargreaves | 15th=. Neil Cartman |

Staff Student Chess Challenge

The E.G.S. chess elite once again pitted their wits against stronger, wiser and older opposition, The Staff! This was a straight forward battle of wills. Eight staff playing the best! eight pupils. A draw in one match left the score $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ with one result to come but eventually the students triumphed $4\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$.

| | | | |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Mr. Earl | 1 | 0 | Richard Taylor |
| Mr. Speak | 1 | 0 | Fawood Razaq |
| Mr. Tickner | 0 | 1 | Gary Smethers |
| Mr. Fryer | 1 | 0 | William Redhouse |
| Mr. Bendall | 0 | 1 | Hamor Ahmed |
| Mr. Jones | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | Daniel Haggerty |
| Mr. Hardiman | 0 | 1 | Azhar Hussain |
| Mr. Clough | 0 | 1 | Henry Coles |
| STAFF | $3\frac{1}{2}$ | $4\frac{1}{2}$ | STUDENTS |

The future looks rosy for the resurgent Chess Club, with the possibility of extra competition, House Champions and even inter-school matches as well as that great crowd puller, a re-match against the Staff. Can anyone beat Mr. Earl, Mr. Speak or Mr. Fryer?

S.D.S.

School Notes

Hartley House retained the Addison Study Cup. The final positions, based upon the effort grades, was:—

1. Hartley, 7,715 points
2. Toller, 6,918 points
3. Petyt, 6,830 points
4. Ermysted, 6,606 points

Toller House won the Cook Cup, which is awarded for all competitions combined.

1. Toller, 43½ points
2. Hartley, 42 points
3. Ermysted, 32½ points
4. Petyt, 22 points

There were 557 boys on the roll this year.

The Inter-House Quiz was again organised by Mr. Speak, Hartley won again with 26 points to Ermysted's 22.

The Remembrance Ceremony was held on November 12th, 1994. We were pleased to welcome several Old Boys and Former Staff who had more personal memories than many of us, though it proved an emotive occasion for all those present.

Among the individual achievements not mentioned elsewhere, we should like to record these:—

Nick Dobson has become a member of the National Children's Orchestra.

James Blamire is a member of the National Youth Choir.

Fraser Lovatt is a regional karate champion.

Richard McConville is a regional weight-lifting champion.

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Ben Rickaby is is No. 3 nationally in Under 16 squash.

Martin Landless is captain of England's fishing team in his age group.

Richard Hope reached the final of the Yortek Award with a lawn-watering invention.

Tom Hanson and John Hartley are to join an expedition to Kenya with the Yorkshire Schools Exploring Society.

Nine members of the Fifth Form won certificates in the National Physics Olympiad and of these Richard Hope won a silver award.

Emauele Grillo competed in the "Countdown" contest on Channel 4.

Form 4W raised £600 for the Red Cross Parcel Appeal for Bosnia when they initiated a non-uniform day.

Mr. Bailey, the Lab. Technician, is recovering well from his illness and we have been glad to see him around School this Summer.

A new minibus was delivered. It is a 17-seater and cost £18,000. Adding the new seatbelts to the old bus, which we have had for eight years, would have cost £3,000.

The drives have been widened to give the Staff more room to play with the new bus.

Consideration is being given to fitting seatbelts, neck restraints and bolted seats, similar to those in the new bus, in all classrooms.

Headmaster Hartley's portrait recently fell off the wall. He may have been surprised at his house's performance in the competitions.

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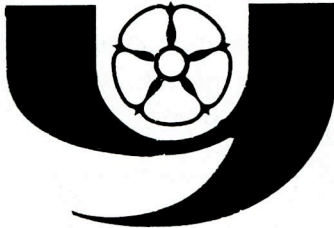
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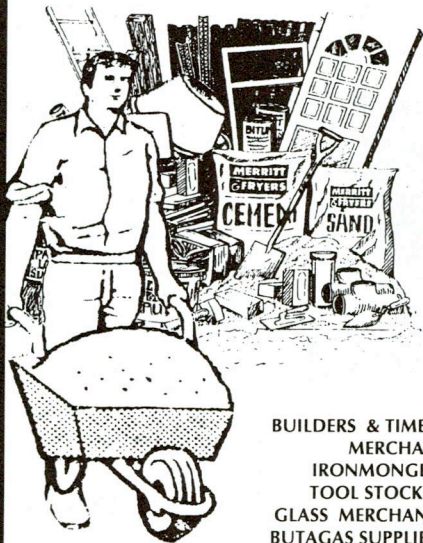
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