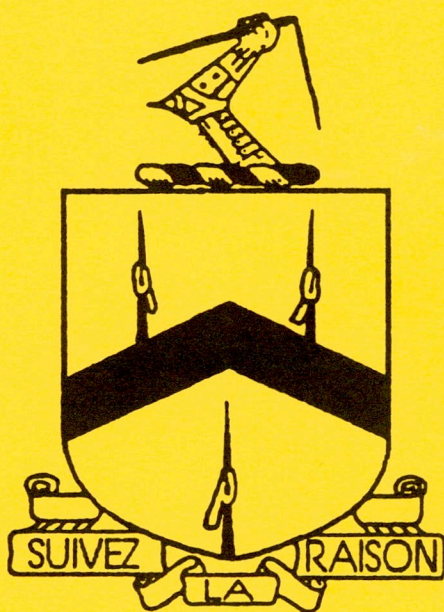


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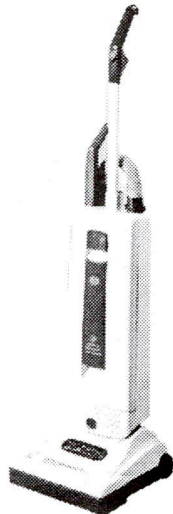
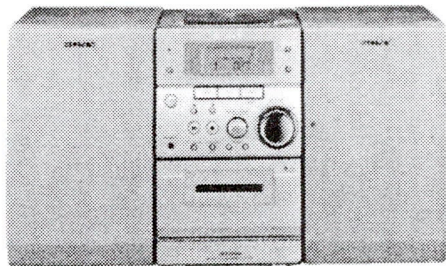
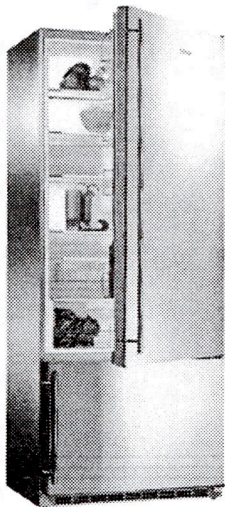
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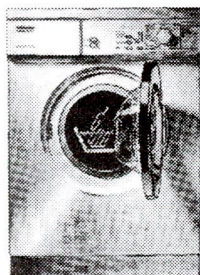
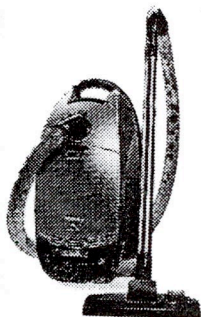
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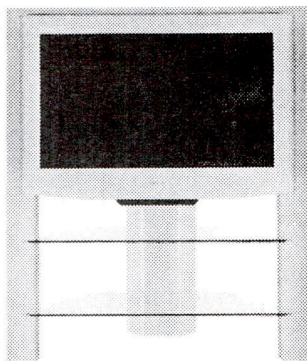
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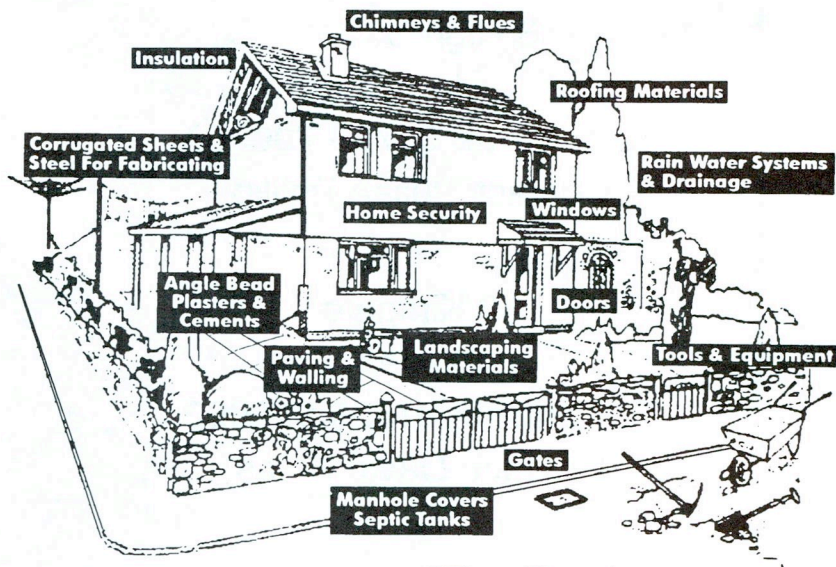
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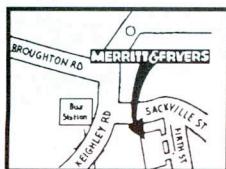
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Personnel

Ave T.M.F.

Dr Flynn joined the Physics department in September 2001. A long association with the University of Leeds resulted in a BSc (Hons) in Physics, a PhD in Molecular Physics and a PGCE in Physics with Science.

He taught at Harrogate Grammar School for three years following a two year post at Glasgow University as a research scientist.

When not at work Dr Flynn has a keen interest in martial arts, fast cars and he visits the theatre frequently.

Ave M.C.H.

Mrs Hudson joined the Modern Languages Department in September 2001 and is in charge on French. She completed a single honours degree in French at U.C.W. Aberystwyth before doing her PGCE at Exeter University.

She began her teaching career in Pembrokeshire and, before coming to Ermysted's, taught in a large mixed comprehensive school in Shropshire where she was also the able-pupil coordinator.

Ave D.B.

David Blanchard came to Ermysted's as a part time teacher of History in September 2001. Currently he is also teaching lower school games and is helping to coach the under-13 rugby team.

He has taught in two other boys grammar schools, in Salisbury and caterbury, as well as teaching overseas, in Portugal, for two years.

His interests include rugby, football and cricket. He is also involved in part time study following a research (MPhil) degree in Military History.

Ave S.L.M.

Miss Muhlemann joined the English Department in February 2001. She graduated from Newcastle University with a BA (Hons) 2(i) degree in English Language and Literature. She then went to University College London and gained an MSc in Speech and Language Pathology and Therapy. She worked for the NHS before joining Ermysted's.

In her spare time she enjoys going to the theatre, walking and reading.

Over recent years there has been a significant number of changes in the staffing of the school – to bring everything up to date, particularly for old boys still wondering whether their favourite teacher is still working at Ermysted's, there is a complete list at the back of the Chronicles (page 64)

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Form	Name		Form	Name	
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7A	Collinge	Robert	7A	Newbould	Sam
7M	Connor	Sam	7A	Nicholson	Andrew
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7A	Curvis	Tom	7M	Parker	Mark
7K	Davidson	William	7K	Phillips	Dominic
7A	Davies	Rhys	7M	Pighills	Hadley
7M	Davies	Thomas	7M	Pinder	Declan
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7A	Dearden	Christopher	7A	Porter	Samuel
7M	Devenish	Louis	12W	Potter	Jacob
7K	Doherty	Matthew	7A	Powell	John
7M	Enzor	Andrew	7A	Savill	George
7M	Eyre	Thomas	12M	Scarr	Ewan
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7A	Franks	Benjamin	7A	Smith	Alexander
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7M	Gornall	Christopher	7M	Stockton	Joel
7M	Greenwood	Christopher	7K	Stoddart	Thomas
7K	Haider	Hasnehn	7K	Stone	Jonathan
7A	Hardaker	Robert	7K	Thompson	Michael
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7M	Hawthorne	James	7A	Tipping	Samuel
7M	Heathcote	Thomas	7M	Turnbull	Alex
7K	Hicks	David	7K	Wade	Sam
7K	Hillam	Andrew	7K	Walker	James
7A	Hodge	Joseph	7M	Wardman	James
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12R	Hulatt	Christopher	7M	Watson	Declan
8L	Hudson	Patrick	7K	Wellock	David
7A	Ibbotson	Daniel	7K	Williams	Peter
7M	Januszewski	James	7K	Wilson	Paul
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Vale S.A.M.

Sheila Muhlemann (or ‘Mum’ as she has been known by hundreds of Ermysted’s boys) first meandered unwittingly into school in 1985, as a part-time teacher of Mathematics. Little did she know then that she was about to found a veritable dynasty of Muhlemanns, one which has continued to this day. Nor did she realise then that she would eventually enter the history books in a sensational manner which rocked the male bastions of the staff commonroom to its very roots. She is in fact the joint holder of the title of First Female Fulltime member of staff at Ermysted’s, which in its five hundred year history had (rightly or wrongly) never allowed women to hold such a hallowed position. Fittingly, this cherished title was granted in 1992, at the quincennial celebrations of the founding of the school.

One member of staff who recollects her first appearance in school describes her as ‘having this amazing head of bushy hair. She looked like a wild woman.’ Given the lack of female facilities in the school at the time, she was within her rights to behave as a wild woman too.

Sheila made the sensible move to the English department and studied for an MA at York University. This led her to becoming the rock and foundation stone of the department, which then went from strength to strength. She became an expert teacher of Advanced level Literature, and readily took on the new Advanced level English language (which entailed many hours of after-school study and preparation.)

A dedicated professional, all her lessons were excellently prepared, interesting and rigorous. She knew instinctively how to maintain pupils’ interest, while getting them to work to the best of their ability. She also provided a comforting word to those sixth-formers who fled to her room, having suffered a verbal savaging by the head of department.

Sheila has always put the pupils’ welfare first, even above her own health. When suffering from cancer, and forbidden for medical reasons from entering school, she gave lessons to the upper sixth in her own home, so concerned was she that the boys’ education did not suffer because of her absence. Utterly selfless, she has always given freely of her time. Many sixth formers who have not achieved the university grades they required have rung her in the summer holidays, asking for her help, and she has always obliged.

She is completely unruffled by anything, be it her own serious illness, or the vicissitudes of teaching. Only once has she been seen to lose her temper, and even that was in defence of a boy who she felt had been dealt an injustice by a callous management.

She was for years the stalwart of the dramatic productions, managing both the makeup and costumes for the plays. Indeed one year she made most of the costumes herself. She has sorted out problems of staff and boys over the years with her ever-present smile, or been equally efficacious with a bag of doughnuts. In an age when it is fashionable to decry teacher’s contributions, Sheila’s contribution to the life and future success of hundreds of boys has been immense. She has been commitment itself.

An unfailing professional, Sheila Muhlemann will be sorely missed by both pupils and her colleagues.

D.G.Clough

Vale C.C.F.

Mr Chris Fryer was born in High Ackworth, educated at King's School, Pontefract and went on to Sheffield University where he was awarded a PhD by the School of Mines. He went on to teach Engineering Geology at Portsmouth Polytechnic. His life then took a very different path. He spent 10 years as skipper of his own fishing vessel in the Western Isles of Scotland where he owned the Salmon fishing rights of a large area off Mull.

He arrived at EGS in April 1988, without interview, but as a result of a telephone call from the then Headmaster, D.M Buckroyd. Before long he was appointed TVEI coordinator. In this role he was charged with distributing funding conditional upon a revision of the curriculum and the production of many policy documents previously conspicuous by their absence.

He has helped out in a number of areas, teaching English, General Studies, Mathematics and Business Studies. However the large part of his work here has been in the Physics department where, for the last three years, he has had the responsibility of all work at KS3. Every pupil passing through EGS knows of the intellectual powers of his dog, Sparky, and how her intelligence far surpasses that of most of our pupils.

Throughout his time here he has been responsible for and assisted with many field trips and excursions. Visits to the London Eye, Greenwich Observatory and Maritime Museum, the Faraday Lecture, Jodrell Bank and the battlefields of the First World War feature in the last twelve months alone. Present Year 11 pupils will recall his ultimate threat to sing them lullabies as he patrolled the corridors outside their dormitories in Belgium.

We are losing a multi-talented, devoted member of staff whose contributions will be seriously missed. Pupils will remember him for Greenfingers, Spaghetti Bridges and inter-form quad-cricket. He will be remembered by staff for his quiet efficiency, warm friendship and wicked sense of humour. He doesn't seem to want to leave us completely and has done an excellent job throughout summer as Clerk of Works during the present building disruptions. We wish Chris, Lee and family, not forgetting Sparky, all the best for the future. Who knows what venture he will embark on next?

JNW



Retiring staff : Chris Fryer, Sheila Muhlemann and Brendan Keane

Vale B.P.A.K.

Mr Keane joined the staff in January 1987 to take charge of Latin. He trail blazed the family's move to Skipton soon being joined by Mr Keane and sons Ben and Sam.

Brendan leaves behind a huge legacy as a result of his time at Ermysted's. His schoolmasterly skill of moulding young boys to sound ways of study and learning is appreciated by many. Those taking Latin beyond Key Stage 3 have been assured of a precise, thorough and scholarly preparation for external examinations.

Brendan Keane drew out enormous respect from students and colleagues alike. His insatiable thirst for knowledge coupled with an unparalleled grasp of language made him not only a true giant of the crossword but also a mentor to successive members of the English department.

We wish him well as he takes more opportunities to sojourn north of the border and to seek new challenges. Ermysted's loss will be to others considerable gain.

Vale A.L.L.

Since joining the English department in September 2000, Anna Lumb has been a popular and enthusiastic member of Ermysted's. She has contributed greatly both to the English department and to the life of the School as a whole. Her love of children's literature has inspired many pupils to take up reading and to participate in extra-curricular reading-based activities. Anna has nobly assisted in two School productions, been an active participant in musical events and given of her time selflessly, particularly regarding theatre visits. We wish her well.

Vale J.H.

Jon Hough joined the staff in 1999 via Loughborough University (BSc) and Canterbury University College (PGCE) and during his short spell with us developed into a popular and successful teacher. He has used his expertise and personality to deliver his subject to all years in an enjoyable and effective manner as well as helping introduce 'A' level P.E. He has worked tirelessly with extra curricular sport coaching junior rugby, cricket and athletics teams as well as introducing 1st XI, 2nd XI and year 11 football teams to Ermysted's. Ermysted's offers Jon its best wishes in whatever he decides to do next. We are sure that he will approach it in the dedicated and professional manner in which he conducted himself whilst at Ermysted's.

R Head

Vale D.I.A.

David Adamson joined the staff from Morley High School in September 1996 and was an old boy of Bradford Grammar School.

David was a Teacher of French and an experienced year 7 tutor. He was adept at helping newcomers settle in and encouraged them to think of others with his small change collections for disadvantaged groups.

His teaching of French was illuminated by his passion for cartoons. Stimulating graphics joggled the memory as signposts towards the learning of vocabulary. He has now taken up a post at Rhodesway School, Bradford. This will enable him to live closer to home and be on hand to enjoy his young family and indulge in his hobbies, of drawing and video production. We wish him well.

Other Staffing News

It was pleasing to see the return of both Mrs Muhlemann and Mr Douglass after their absences last year which along with the return of Mr Clough at summer half-term and the appointment of three new staff – Dr T M Flynn, Mrs M C Hudson and Mr D Blanchard meant that the school had a full complement of staff for the first time since October 2000.

Following her absence, Mrs Muhlemann reduced her teaching commitment and as a consequence we welcomed back Mr W J Paley to the English Department, also on a part time basis. Mr Paley, of course, taught here for many years before his retirement.

In total there were eight part time staff for the year, namely Mrs Muhlemann, Mr Paley, Mrs Spence, Mrs Price, Mr Keane, Mrs Hopkins, Mrs Sellers and Mr Blanchard.

One further addition to the staff was Mr Andrew Hodgson, an Old Boy of the School and Captain of Wharfedale Rugby Club. He agreed to assist with Games on each weekday afternoon throughout the year, in addition to taking one of the junior teams for rugby.

Mrs Anna Fleisch was appointed to assist with our photocopying needs for two hours per day which is a tremendous help to teaching staff.

After Mr Adamson left at the end of the spring term Mrs O'Connell who had been Head of Languages at Skipton Girls' High School and Mrs Sellers, herself a modern language graduate and Mr Harris, a School Governor and also previously a Head of Department, took over his lessons for the term.

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11H Craig Dyer	9T Daniel Godden, Tom Cox
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10H Matthew Maude	8L Andrew Bannister, David Jaquin
10Y Stephen Boothroyd	8E Patrick Foster, Andrew Short
10W Ben Hibbins	7A Alex Irvine, Alex Dobson
10X Matthew Soulsby	7K Andrew Marshall, John Leahy
	7M William Holden, Ben Kay

Public Examination Results Summer 2002

Advanced Level

Key Used:

Art and Design	ad	English Literature	el	History	hi
Biology	bi	French	fr	Music	mu
Chemistry	ch	Further Maths	fm	Latin	la
Design and Technology	dt	General Studies	gt	Maths	ma
Economics	ec	Geography	gy	Physics	ph
English Language	ea	German	gn	Physical Education	pe

(Grades A to E - Asterisks denote A Grades)

FORM 13B

A S Dalby	ea el gt pe
L A Edmondson	ea el gt pe
A L Hamlen	ea el gt gy
P J Hirst	ea el* gt* hi*
C D Holden	ad* bi ea gt
J K Holden	ad* el gt* pe
J R Holdsworth	ea* el gt* gn
D S Macdonald	ea el gt pe
D P Murphy	ec* ea* el gt*
R A Noyland	ea el* gt
T L Richardson	ea el* gt* hi
C M Roberts	ea el gt* hi
J G Standeven	ea el gt hi

FORM 13K

S G Blood	bi* ch* gt ph
O D Brewer	bi* ch* gt* gn*
C I Dyer	bi ch* gt gy*
B P Ford	ch gt ph gy
I J Freeman	bi el gt* gy*
E W Green	bi*ch*el*gt*ma*
B M Hibbins	bi* ch* gt* gy*
M J Maude	bi*ch*gt*ph* gy*
C J Rusius	bi*ch*gt*ph*ma*
M J Soulsby	bi ch gt* gy
C J Spurgin	ch*el*gt* gn* hi*
M A Stead	bi*ch*gt* ph*ma*
S M Stephenson	ec* gt gy ma
J M Thomas	ch gt ph ma

FORM 13S

A J Bode	bi ea gt pe
S Bridges	bi el* gt gn
N J Brushett	ea* el gt pe
M H Djavanroodi	bi ec* gt ma
P J Foster	ea*el*gt*ma*
N J Gooch	bi*gt*gn*gy*
W M Holden	bi*ea gt ma
J F Leahy	bi* gt* hi* gy*
A J Marshall	ec* gt gn ma
J R Mason	bi ea el gt
D A McGinnis	bi gt pe gy
S T Pile	ec*gt*ph*ma*
C C Wright	bi pe

FORM 13H

A M Bannister	ea el gt ma
S R Boothroyd	fm* ec* gt ma*
T J Burton	ec* ea* el* gt
T A Cox	fm*ch*gt*ph*ma*
N M Crowley	fm el gt ph ma*
A C Dobson	ec*el*gt*ph*ma*
D J Godden	fm ch gt ph*ma*
J W Haworth	bi* gt ph* ma*
J R Horsfall	ad gt* ph ma
B O Kay	ec* gt* gn ma
J M Marriott	ec gt gn ma
C J Peach	fm*cc*gt ph ma*
F A Picken	bi ec gt gy
D J Procter	ec* ea* gt* ma*
N B Quain	ec* ea gt ma
A J Wiggan	fm*ch*gt*ph*ma*

FORM 13M

J C Blackwell	ad dt gt gy
W R Fradley	bi* gt ph* pe*
A J Hatherley	dt gt gy
M C Howie	ea gy pe
D J Jaquin	bi dt gt gy
A P Kelly	dt el gt ma
J Mackley	dt gt gy* ma*
A C Miller	bi ea el gt
S J Pollard	bi ch gt pe
A N Severs	ad dt gt gy
A M Short	dt gt ph gy

FORM 13W

A W Barron	ea el
O P Green	ec* el* gt* gy*
N J Gregory	bi ch gt gy*
A T C Irvine	el gt* hi gy*
J A Jackson	ea el gt gy
D W H Marshall	el gt hi gy
J W Mellin	ea el gt gy
T E Parkinson	gt gy ma
A J Scully	ea gt gy* hi
S Swales	bi el gt gy
H A Williams	ea el gt gy
A M Woods	pe gy gt ph

GCSE Results 2002**Key Used:**

Art and Design	adn	Geography	gy	Physics	ph
Biology	bi	History	hi	R.S.	rs
CDT	cr	Information Technology	it	Dual Award Science	sc sc
Chemistry	ch	Latin	la	Business Studies	bu
French	fr	Mathematics	ma	English Language	ea
German	gn	Music	mu	English Literature	ei

(Grades A to C) Asterisks denote Star Grades and A Grades

FORM 11C

J R Adley	dt* gn* ma* bi* ch* ph* bu* ea* ei* gy*
M M Alam	dt fr hi it* ma bi ch ph ea ei*
M C Ashton	dt* gn* la ma* bi* ch* ph* bu* ea* ei
A R Bargh	dt* gn* ma* bi* ch* ph* bu* ea* ei* gy*
D P Bode	dt gn* it ma* bi ch* ph ea* ei* gy*
B J Bolland	dt* gn ma* bi* ch* ph* bu* ea* ei* gy*
A J Bowker	dt fr ma* bi ch ph bu* ea ei gy
J J Bracken	dt fr la* ma* rs bi ch ph ea* ei*
A Bryan	dt* gn* hi* la* ma* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei*
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D R Mayes	adn dt* gn* it* ma* bi* ch* ph ea* ei
A F Mehmood	hi ma bi ch ph ea ei gy
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G M Rishton	dt gn* la ma* bi* ch ph ea* ei* gy*
L C Rosie	dt* gn ma* bi ch* ph* bu* ea ei gy
J A Rusius	dt* gn* la* ma* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei* gy*
J R Tinsley	dt fr la ma rs* bi ch ph ea* ei*
T J Tordoff	dt gn hi it ma bi ch ph ea ei
S J Winward	dt* fr hi* it* ma* bi* ch* ph* ea ei

FORM 11E

K W S Al-Muhandis	adn dt* gn* hi ma* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei*
J R Baker	dt* gn* ma* mu* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei* gy*
J Bradley	dt gn ma* bi ch ph bu ea ei gy
D J Bullock	dt* gn* hi* ma* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei* gy*
A J Butterfield	dt* gn* ma* bi* ch* ph* bu* ea ei* gy*
O J Byrne	dt it ma bi ch ph ea ei gy
M W Dean	dt* gn hi ma* bi* ch ph* ea ei* gy*
M W Foster	dt* gn* hi* it* ma* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei*
W D Green	dt* gn* la* ma* mu* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei*
R A Hannah	dt* gn* ma* bi* ch ph* bu* ea ei* gy*
J J Hardacre	dt* fr ma* rs* bi* ch* ph ea ei* gy
T M Hoare	dt* gn* hi ma* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei* gy*
J E Hopkinson	dt* gn it ma* bi ch* ph* ea* ei* gy*
M Hornsey	adn dt* fr ma* mu* bi* ch ph* ea ei
J G Howarth	dt* gn* hi* ma* bi* ch* ph* ea ei* gy*
R D Parsons	dt gn* hi it ma* bi* ch* ph* ea ei
M Paylor	dt gn ma bi ch ph ea ei gy
C J Pearson	gn ma* sc* sc* ea
B E Taylor	dt* gn* it ma bi ch ph ea* ei gy
A H Wales	dt gn* hi* it ma* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei
J Watts	gn ma* bi ch ph ea ei gy
J W Westhead	dt gn* hi ma* bi ch ph* bu* ea* ei*

FORM 11H

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J S Dalby	dt gn hi ma* sc sc ea ei gy
M A Eyton-Jones	dt* gn hi it ma* sc sc ea* ei* gy
M J Hall	gn* ma sc sc ea* ei* gy
T Hardy	dt* gn hi* it ma* sc* sc* ea* ei* gy*
R D Hirst	dt ma sc sc ea ei
T W Hornby	adn dt fr hi ma sc sc ea* ei gy*
A E Judge	dt fr* hi* it ma* sc* sc* ea* ei* gy*
A J Marshall	dt* fr* hi* it* ma* sc* sc* ea* ei* gy*
R J Mattinson	dt gn hi ma bu* ea ei gy
O B Oates	adn dt gn it ma sc sc ea ei gy
T W Overton	dt* gn* hi* la* ma* sc* sc* ea* ei* gy*
G J Pappin	dt* gn hi it ma* sc* sc* ea* ei* gy*
P J Parkinson	adn dt fr it ma* sc sc ea* ei* gy
D S Phillips	dt* gn* hi* la ma* sc sc ea* ei* gy*
Z J Quain	adn dt fr it ma* sc* sc* ea* ei gy
W J Singleton	adn* dt* gn* it* ma* sc* sc* ea* ei* gy*
B P Threlfall	dt fr* gn* hi* ma* sc* sc* ea* ei* gy*
R M Woolmer	dt fr* gn* ma* sc sc bu* ea* ei* gy*

FORM 11W

M A Ackers-Johnson	dt* gn* la* ma* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei* gy*
D J Ash	ma ea ei
M J Brannon	dt gn* ma* bi ch ph ea* ei* gy
M K Burton	dt* gn ma bi* ch* ph bu* ea* ei* gy*
T A Clark	dt gn it ma* bi* ch ph ea ei* gy
D Eells	dt ma* mu* bi ch ph ea* ei* gy
T H Fawcett	dt fr* gn* it ma* bi ch ph* ea* ei*
N C Feddo	dt* hi* it* ma* bi* ch ph* ea* ei*
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S L Handley	adn dt* gn* it ma* bi* ch* ph ea* ei
A T Hare	dt* gn it* ma* bi* ch ph ea ei gy*
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D W Holmes	dt* gn* ma* bi* ch* ph bu* ea* ei* gy*
O Hurst	adn* dt* it ma sc sc ea ei* gy
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G W D Preston	dt* gn* ma* mu* bi* ch* ph* ea* ei* gy*
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J D Style	dt gn* hi* ma* bi* ch* ph* bu* ea* ei*
D M Taylor	dt fr ma* bi ch ph* ea ei gy

University and College List

Destination of Year 13 Leavers

(Those that took 'A'-levels in summer 2001)

Name	Destination	Course
Stephen Ackroyd	Leicester University	Electric + Electronic Engineering
Zabare Akram	Queen Mary's College, London	Computer Science
Matthew Anderson	Gap Year - re-applying 2002	
Graeme Baldwin	Manchester University	Biomedical Sciences
David Barker	R.A.F.	
Daniel Burman	East Anglia University (2002)	English + Philosophy
Matthew Chapman	Newcastle University	English Language
Sukhraj Chouhan	De Montfort University, Leicester	Marketing Research
Farhad Chowdhury	Kings College London	Bio-Medical Sciences
Andrew Clements	Oxford University	Economics & Management
Robert Coates	Manchester Metropolitan University (2002)	Geography
Richard Collinge	Sheffield University	Business Studies + Information Management
Timothy Coughlin	Nottingham University	Medicine
James Cowell-Smith	Newcastle University	Genetics
Christopher Davey	Bradford University	Optometry
Ashley Demaline	York University	Linguistics + Language
Christopher Duff	Gap Year - Applying to Oxbridge (2002)	
Adam Feather	Cambridge University	Natural Sciences
Christopher Foster	Birmingham University	Sport + Exercise Science
Marcus Gleave	Oxford University	Bio-Chemistry
Andrew Green	Oxford University	Chemistry
James Green	Durham University	Computer Science
Robert Gulliver	University of Northumbria	Product Design Technology
Thomas Haggerty	Oxford University	Archaeology + Anthropology
David Hand	Newcastle University	Geomatics
Thomas Harrison	Nottingham University	Computer Science
Jonathan Hewison	Humberside & Lincolnshire University	Illustration
Andrew Holly	Newcastle University	Dentistry
Christopher Hundsdoefer	Harper Adams University College	Rural Enterprise + Land Management
Nicholas Jackson	Newcastle University	Environmental Science + Ecology
Nathaniel Jones	Durham University	Maths
Samuel Keane	Employment	
Martin Kingham	N.E.W.I. Wrexham	Sports Science
Thomas Lloyd-Evans	Oxford	Maths
Alexander Marcham	Oxford University	Philosophy Politics + Economics
James Mason	Cambridge University	Geography
Christopher Mitchell	Lancaster University	Combined Sciences
Matthew Nelson	Heriot-Watt University	Landscape Architecture
Shaun Nixon	Bristol University	Geography
Peter Odor	Oxford University	Medicine
Kevin Owens	Leeds University (2002)	Economics + Management
David Pickles	Warwick University	Computer Science
William Pickles	Newcastle University (2002)	Business & Financial Economics
Darren Platt	Employment	
Grant Pozzana	Gap Year	
Christopher Pratt	Durham University	Physics
Cameron Quinn	Manchester University	Accounting + Finance

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Matthew Reeves	Leeds University	Law + Management
David Roberts	Oxford	Medicine
Matthew Scriven	Durham University	Physics
Edward Seymour	Gap Year	
Alan Siddle	Leeds Univ. (Trinity All Saints College)	Leisure + Sport Management
Benjamin Smith	Gap Year	
Miles Stephenson	Liverpool University	Geology
Andrew Strickland	Newcastle University	Economics + Management
Guy Sykes	Cambridge University	Economics
Samuel Tate	York University	Sociology
Joseph Taylor	University College London (2002)	Medicine
Alan Thorpe	Durham	Geography
Ross Turnbull	Oxford University	Engineering Science
Kaleem Ullah	St Georges Hospital London	Physiotherapy
Andrew Walker	Oxford University	Geography
Gareth Walker	Lancaster University	Economics
Samuel Watson	Leeds University (2002)	Broadcast Journalism
Richard Welch	St Andrews University	Geography - Economics
Paul Wellock	Gap Year	
Thomas White	Cambridge University	Natural Sciences
Matthew Whitwam	Leeds University	Maths with Finance
Christopher Widdison	Leicester University	Law
Toby Williams	Gap Year	
Thomas Wilman	Leeds University	Environmental Bio-Geo Science
Alexander Woodhouse	College of Ripon & York St John	Sports + Exercise Science

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Christopher Duff	Durham University	English Literature
Richard Iles	Lampeter University	English Literature
Samuel Keane	Sheffield Hallam University	International Business with French
Grant Pozzana	Derby University	Creative Writing, Film & TV Studies
Edward Seymour	Leeds University	Philosophy & Politics
Benjamin Smith	Birmingham University	Media, Culture & Society/Philosophy
Andrew Strickland	Nottingham University	Economics

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The following year 11 boys left:

Name	Destination
Michael Anderson	Employment, Marines
Matthew Backhouse	Unknown
Jimmy Brayshay	Employment
Thomas Cowburn	Craven College
James Cowgill	Nelson & Colne College
Matthew Cullen	Nelson & Colne College
Richard Holden	Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Blackburn
Joseph Kenyon	Nelson & Colne College
Thomas Kirkbride	Another School, unknown
James Maude	Craven College
Samuel Mort	Nelson & Colne College
Tom Sargison	South Craven
Daniel Stewart	Craven College
Liam Windle	Craven College
Christopher Wright	South Craven

William Cowley, 7K and Christopher Dearden, 7A also left.

Founders' Day

Saturday 15th December 2001

The traditional Founders' Day service was held at Holy Trinity Church in the morning. After a welcome from Rev. A. P. Botwright (Rector) the main address was given by Rev. Father T. Swinglehurst of Sacred Heart Church, Hemsworth. The retiring collection was made on behalf of The Sarah Makie Memorial Trust.

Chief guest at the Old Boys' Dinner was John Mewies. John left School in 1966 having taken his A-Levels and joined his father's firm, becoming a well-known local solicitor. John followed in his father's footsteps in that many years ago he too accepted an invitation to speak at the Society's Dinner. This was, perhaps, the first time that this had happened.

Speech Day

Tuesday 9th July 2002

The prizes this year were presented by Mr Bill Beaumont, O.B.E. Sports Broadcaster, British Lions and England (1975-1982).

The vote of thanks was given by Mr J. S. Spence and seconded by Oliver Brewer (Head Boy).

Oliver handed over the badge of office to next year's Head Boy, James Viney.

Mr Ashworth's speech included the following extracts:

At A-Level (2001 results), the number of A and B grades was 66.7% - two out of every three. These impressive results placed the School in the top 30 state schools in the country and as noted in the Sunday Times 'Parent Power' supplement, the best in the North of England

Fifteen boys satisfied the requirements for entry at Oxford or Cambridge – by far and away a record for the School (11 for Oxford, 4 at Cambridge).

GCSE results saw an increase in the number of A* or A grades over recent years though this may have been in line with the national trend. Ben Lay achieved an outstanding 10 A* grades whilst another nine boys achieved 10 A* or A grades. Ben Lister performed particularly well in the Technology paper focusing on Electronic Products, where his mark placed him in the top five candidates out of the 12,500+ candidates who sat the paper.

Ermysted's gained a Sportsmark Award from Sport England, the brand name of the English Sports Council. The award is in recognition of the School's provision and commitment to Physical Education and School sport and for the work done to develop sport and an active lifestyle for young people.

In December, confirmation was received from the DfES that our bid to develop a project providing three new Technology workshops, an ICT room and four additional classrooms had been accepted. [The building will be built around the site of the old greenhouse.] The project has been agreed on the basis of the estimated Governors' expenditure in terms of £1,079,000 though given that Ermysted's is a Voluntary Aided School, the grant will be paid at only 90% of this figure, with the Governors being required to raise the remainder. Work started in the summer holidays with a completion date for the new building being July 2003.

We have been also been successful in being allocated just over £100,000 to refurbish the Science Laboratories. The plans are for a new building within the inner quad to house both a chemical store room and prep room. In addition, the ACL will be enlarged (by knocking through to the old chemistry prep room) and the six science laboratories will all be refurbished by summer 2003. A further bid is already in place to enable us at a later date to transform the present Technology workshops into two additional science laboratories. These are all accommodation issues that were severely criticised in the January 2001 OfSTED report.

Further plans are in the pipeline to convert the current Sixth Form Common Room into a two storey Library.

Prize List 2002

JUNIOR SCHOOL PRIZES

Marmaduke Miller Art Prize	Morgan Blizzard
Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize	Jonathan Clark
John Bevis Wilkinson Chemistry Prize	Mark Nicholson
Mechanics' Institute Design and Technology Prize	Morgan Blizzard
Petyt Trust English Prize	Anthony Connor
George Bottomley Memorial French Prize	Sebastian Marshall
Rodwell Memorial Geography Prize	James Winward
George Bottomley Memorial German Prize	Simon Holdsworth
Foundation History Prize	Thomas Maclean
Petyt Trust Latin Prize	Adrian Harwood
Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize	Thomas Maclean
Firth Memorial Music Prize	James Watson
Foundation PE Prize	Ben Rusius
Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize	Thomas Dunbar
Foundation Religious Studies Prize	Anthony Connor

MIDDLE SCHOOL PRIZES

Jonathan Chapman Memorial Art Prize	Benjamin Colley
Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize	Matthew Ackers-Johnson
Foundation Business Studies Prize	James Pollard
Foundation Chemistry Prize	Aneirin Bryan
Foundation Design and Technology Prize	Mark Ashton
Foundation English Prize	James Pollard
Jonathan Chapman Memorial Geography Prize	Duncan Bullock
Foundation History Prize	Peter Mackley
Foundation Information Technology Prize	Jack Singleton
Jack Eastwood Memorial Prize for Languages	Robert Woolmer
Jack Eastwood Memorial Latin Prize	Matthew Ackers-Johnson
Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize	James Rusius
Foundation Modern Languages Prize	Ben Lloyd-Evans
Edward Scott Music Prize	Matthew Goode
Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize	James Rusius
Foundation Religious Studies Prize	Peter Mackley and James Hardacre

SENIOR SCHOOL PRIZES

Marmaduke Miller Art Prize	Christopher Holden
Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize	Oliver Brewer
John Bevis Wilkinson Chemistry Prize	Chris Rusius
Mechanics' Institute Design Technology Prize	Andrew Kelly
Foundation Economics Prize	Alex Dobson
Petyt Trust English Prize	Chris Spurgin

George Bottomley Memorial French Prize	Not awarded
George Bottomley Memorial German Prize	Chris Spurgin
Rodwell Memorial Geography Prize	Craig Dyer
Foundation History Prize	Chris Spurgin
Petyt Trust Latin Prize	Benjamin Lay
Foundation Linguistics Prize	Daniel Procter
Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize	Chris Rusius
Foundation PE Prize	Wayne Fradley
Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize	Thomas Cox
Foundation Further Mathematics Prize	Thomas Cox

FOUNDATION FORM PRIZES

7A	Samuel Newbould
7K	Paul Wilson
7M	Thomas Eyre
8E	James Finucane
8L	Robert Carr
8P	Kevin Flatley
9H	Luke Greenway
9J	Morgan Blizzard
9T	Sebastian Marshall

OTHER PRIZES

Skipton Town Council Silver Jubilee Shield	Andrew Enzor
Iain McLeod Memorial Prize	Patrick Foster and Mark Ashton
Paul Chadwick Prize for Fine Craftsmanship	Jonathan Baker
Fleming Essay Prize	Oliver Green
Longden Smith Prize for Rugby	Andrew Bode
Jimmy Harrison Memorial Prize for Progress in Senior Rugby	Stewart Pollard
Peter Rose Memorial Prize for Cricket	Simon Pile
Simon Lewis Prize for the Most Promising Cricketer	Scott Hudson
Drama Prize	Edward Green
Philip Osborne Public Speaking Prize	Patrick Foster
Philip Osborne Dramatic Society Prize	Mark Blackie
Doris Altham Barker Prize for Musical Achievement	Alex Dobson
David Morgan Memorial Prize for a Prospective Medical Student	Oliver Brewer
Head of Sixth Form's Merit Prize	Nicholas Brushett
Parents' Association Fortitude Prize	Daniel Procter
Arthur Coe Prize for Distinguished Service	Matthew Maude
Foundation General Efficiency Prize	Wayne Fradley
Old Boys' Association Head of School Prize	Oliver Brewer

Music and Drama Review

Music Report

This was an exceptionally busy year for the department with new ensembles, concerts and new ventures to report upon.

ENSEMBLES

Big Band

Record numbers in the band have confirmed the popularity of this ensemble and they have had a splendid year of achievements. They played in the Christmas and Easter Concerts, at the Summer Fair and at the PTA "Jazz 'n Jive" evening. This latter was a great success raising over £680 for the association. Those who attended showed some reticence at dancing but the final set produced a result. It was an experiment of sorts but was such a success that it will be repeated next year. The PTA had provided brand new stands and banners for the band and they now look the business in concert.

The band was sorry to say farewell to Alex Dobson, the final "Founder Member" of the band who had been playing since it began seven years ago. On the other hand we were delighted to welcome three new recruits from SGHS - Rachel Dunbar, Gill Enzor and Hannah Beck. New members from EGS included Rory Enright, Stephen Bloxham, Andrew Enzor, David Eells, Oliver Pike, Chris Pollitt, Andrew Bailey, Ben Lloyd-Evans, Chris Holden and William Green. It is planned to start a Junior Big Band in September for those desperate to get in.

Plans for next year include a workshop / master class from the Leeds College of Music Big Band.

Senior Choir

Their traditional association with the Wassail was maintained and they formed a vital part of the evening. In January about half of the choir went to take part in a Singing Day at the Leeds College of Music. It was a trial for those boys who might have been interested in joining the newly formed Yorkshire Youth Choir. It was a great day and we took part in the final concert held at night. As a result three pupils attended a later audition and Russell Simpson, Sam Parry and David Rogers were all successful. They took part in the Youth Choir's first event at Ampleforth over Easter. It is also pleasing to report that Thomas Cooke, one of our basses passed his audition for the National Youth Training Choir.

We were pleased to welcome new members but very sad to lose two boys who have been ardent supporters of the choir. Edward Green leaves this year and he will be fondly remembered for his strange coats. Chris Spurgin has been the most committed member we have ever had, turning up every week he could for practice - since his first days at School to his current role in the Baritone section - a fantastic achievement. Good luck to you both.

Clarinet Quartet

A new venture begun in September. It has been ably run by Howard Rogerson and involved Year 10 and 11 pupils. Part of its function was to provide an opportunity for ensemble performance at GCSE and also to give a wider audience to the strong clarinet presence in the school. It has played at both concerts and will continue into the next academic year. We are grateful for the wit and wisdom of Mr. Rogerson and the stentorian buzz of Jonny B's bass clarinet.

Flute Quartet

The mellifluous sound of this ensemble can be heard each Thursday lunch time, ably coached by Mr. Jones. It is the school's only "conductorless" ensemble and provides a good opportunity for self-reliance and teamwork. They make a valuable contribution to the school concerts and provide a welcome breath of fresh air in contrast to the racket of the Big Band. Thank you Mr. Jones, your help is very much appreciated.

Music Competitions And Awards

House Music

The competition took place on Monday March 11th. There were some rather hasty last-minute arrangements from one House but a full team was eventually submitted by the deadline. It was noticeable that the standard of performance was not as good as in previous years even though there were some individual performances of considerable merit.

Scores at the end of the Junior Classes were even. In the Intermediate Class there were some very assured performances from Gregory Coughlin and Sam Parry but it was Sam's improvisatory panache which eventually secured a first place in the piano class. Tuning presented something of a problem for the instrumentalists and Ben White won his class with a difficult Handel Sonata.

The Senior Classes produced some superb music-making. Peter Gunn opened with an elegant rendition of "Nola". Ben Lloyd-Evans replied with a blistering salvo of thundering chords from Rachmaninov, a very atmospheric and macabre performance of this composer's Prelude in C# minor. William Green attempted to restore order with a Satie "Gymnopodie" and Jonny Baker completed the piano class with some very carefully shaded dynamics in a Sarabande. In the end it was a two-horse race with Petyt winning overall. I am sure that their superior organisation was in some way responsible for their win.

We were very pleased to welcome Helen Ward (the new Head of Music at SGHS) as our adjudicator. She gave some very welcome and encouraging advice to all those who took part. Thanks are due to David Eells and Ben Lloyd-Evans who presented Helen with a fragrant bouquet of flowers at the end of the competition.

Final Scores -

Petyt	53 points
Ermysted	51 points
Hartley	44 points
Toller	41 points

Music Colours

Colours were awarded as follows :

For excellent attendance and commitment in the Big Band and Senior Choir - Matthew Goode and Jonathan Baker.

For excellent attendance and commitment to the Big Band - Rory Enright, Jeremy Taylor, Sam Parry, David Eells, Peter Gunn, Michael Greenwood.

For their excellent attendance and commitment to the Senior Choir - Antony Butterfield, David Rogers, Sam Ford, Russell Simpson, Glyn Williams and Edward Green.

Young Promoters

This was a scheme started last year in which the Year 11 GCSE set became concert promoters for a year. The first concert took place in June 2001 with the remaining two in August and October. It has been a real challenge to persuade people to attend these concerts and everyone now realises what a difficult business it is to involve the public in supporting live music. At the end the society ended up with a surplus of £243 which was donated to Christ Church Skipton to fund some concert-giving of their own.

In particular, thanks are due to Matthew Goode, our secretary, George Preston who was treasurer and guarded the cheque book jealously and David Eells who proved himself as a Master of Ceremonies so ably at Christ Church. It was enjoyable but very time-consuming.

Music Miscellany

Matthew Goode - "Last Post" trumpeter at the Remembrance Service.

Gregory Coughlin - passed his audition to join the North Yorkshire County Big Band.

William Green - who managed to persuade his entire family to come to one of the Young Promoters concerts and saved the day. If they hadn't come there would have been nobody there - thanks William.

Jason Towler - who organised a band which has rehearsed remorselessly in the san every Tuesday whilst I have tried to do some admin. But didn't they do well at the Christmas Concert?!

As I said at the start it has been a very busy year. I really hope that you have all enjoyed it as much as I have, I couldn't do it without you. Well done!

Simon Gregory

Christmas 2001 – Concert Programme

Brass Ensemble	Chopsticks A Christmas Feast
Violin Solo	Luke Yates – Dvorak – Violin Sonata in G, 1 st movement
Clarinet Quartet	Candy Mountain Rock September in the Rain Clarinet Solo – “Dark Thoughts” – Chris Pollitt Snowflakes
Senior Choir	O Tannenbaum Accordian Solo – James Watson – “Un Coquetear” Solo – “Start Candles” (Michael Head) sung by Thomas Cooke Kling Glöckchen
Flute Ensemble	Tambourin – Gossec Tannakins Dance – James Blackford
Guitar Solo / Duet	Solo – Thomas Crapper – “Floral Dance” Duet – Thomas Crapper / Dominic Phillips – “Song of the Sea”
“Anaphase”	Jason Towler (Guitar & Vocals), Paul Foster (Guitar) Kieran Brown (Bass guitar), Georgina Guy (Drums) “Why Does it Always Rain on Me?” – Travis “Strange Glue” – Catatonia
Big Band	Moonlight Serenade Can't Stop Lovin' You Piano Solo – Peter Gunn – “Nola”, Felix Arndt Sing, Sing, Sing

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Easter Concert Programme

Memorial Hall – April 30th 2002

Clarinet Quartet	Ben Lloyd-Evans, Sam Parry, Joe Mercer, Jack Eyre, Jonathan Baker “In Praise of Loft Intellect” – Gustav Mahler
Piano Solo	James Robertson Ludovico Einandi – “Le onde”
Flute Quartet	Kieran Brown, Peter Mackley, Ben White, Alistair Everett Bizet – Minuet James Power – Leaps and Bounds
Violin Solo	Like Yates – Hungarian Dance
Senior Choir	Certainly Lord – Gospel Solo – Sam Parry – Empty Chairs at Empty Tables Two Yorkshire Folk Songs Solo – Thomas Cooke – “O del mio dolcear dor” Accordion Solo – James Watson – Fortitude I’ll Fly Away – Gospel
Piano Solo	Ben Lloyd-Evans Rachmaninov : Prelude in C# minor
Clarinet Quartet	Ben Lloyd-Evans, San Parry, Joe Mercer, Jack Eyre, Jonathan Baker Slavonic Dances Nos. 1 and 4 – Dvorak
Piano Duet	Peter Gunn / Simon Gregory – William Walton : Popular Song “Sam and Luke Pick the Blues”
Big Band	Over the Rainbow Basin Street Blues Birdland

Oliver!

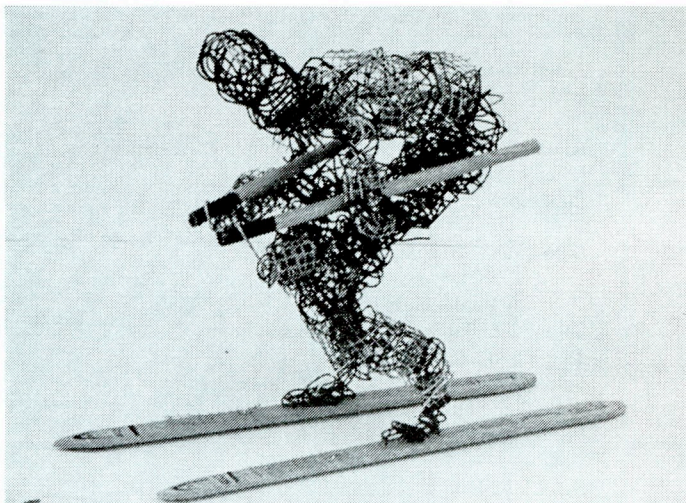
“More! More! You want more!” Well, you certainly couldn’t ask for more from this production! Held at SGHS in December, it featured Oscar-winners of the future from both schools in abundance. The tremendous Bill Sykes (Glyn Williams), the tremendously camp Sowerberry (Ed Green), the loveable rogue Dodger (Mark Blackie) and the simply loveable Mr Bumble (Anthony Williams) to name but a few. There were more - they know who they are. Undoubtedly, though, there was one star of the show. The accent, the walk, the whole nature. For one week only, James Viney was Fagin.

The show was a great success, with spot-on lighting, perfect sound, a fantastic orchestra, and even make-up! The quality shone through, and more importantly, it was enjoyed by everyone, most of all by the cast - with tears on the last night inevitable. So a big thanks, then, to everyone who helped, especially Miss Carpenter, Mr Bolton, and The Village People. Without you, it wouldn’t have been the same.

David Murphy

Department News

Art Department



“Star Piece” by George Whitlam 8L

It has been another successful year for the Art department. Pupils have produced a wide range of high quality work in a variety of media, ranging from the traditional (paint, clay etc) to the more contemporary (wire, molten plastics, latex...)

In January 2002 year 11, 12 and 13 pupils took part in a trip to the Tate Modern Gallery in London. This was a huge success and proved inspiring not just because of the work on display, but also because of the atmosphere generated by the architecture of the location.

The annual art exhibition took place on the 9th and 10th of July 2002. Exam work from the GCSE, AS and A Level courses were showcased along with a selection of work from lower school pupils. Parents viewed the work on the 9th of July and feedback was all very positive. The high quality and wide range of work was commented upon. Governors and teachers had an opportunity to view the work on the 10th of July, after Speech Day.

As well as the extensive displays of work around the school, a network gallery was launched in June 2002. Students have access to this via “Classlink”. It is being used to show the best of the current artwork along with the best of past artwork in the Archive Gallery. The “Star Piece” of each current exhibition will automatically be placed in the Archive Gallery for posterity!

The department would like to thank all those students who contributed to a successful year.

PC / MM

Sports Review

Two Ermysted's sportsmen have achieved great distinction in their respective fields:

At the top of the School is a young man whose sporting accomplishments have been well documented in the pages of the Craven Herald. The qualities that Oliver Brewer has brought to his role as Head Boy are memorable and distinguished and also permeate his contribution to School and representative athletics over his seven years at Ermysted's. His achievements include representing North Yorkshire 27 times at cross-country and on the track, he also represented England in the G.B. Schools Championships in 1998. To honour his singular contribution to County sport, he has been awarded a clock, as well as a nomination for the Donaldson Trophy. Records reveal that no one has matched his record of appearances in a County vest. A combination of ability, determination, loyalty and a self-effacing, yet totally focused and shrewd personality have ensured his considerable and deserved success.

Scott Thwaites is just at the start of his time at the School, as he approaches the end of his first year. His successes in the cycling world have been both varied and remarkable. From hill-climbs to roller-racing, time-trial to grass-track, Scott has achieved national distinction and has become National Champion in two disciplines, as well as winning the Best All Rounder Award. Although his achievements have taken place outside of the School curriculum, Scott and his family recognise the benefits derived from PE, Swimming and Athletics towards his general physical conditioning.

Athletics 2002

The athletics season started with the **English Schools Athletics Association Track and Field Cup**, held in York in May. The year 8 team finished in equal third, with some noteworthy performances from Cameron Herd in the Shot (10.71m), James Kelly and John Marsh in the 1500m (5 mins 11 secs and 5 mins 10 secs respectively) and Nick Green in the 200m (29.6s). Meanwhile, the year 10 team finished in 5th place, on the face of it disappointing, but the team contained some year 9 pupils who had to work extremely hard to keep up with year 10 opposition. Again, performances worthy of mention came from Matthew Brennan in the shot (26.85m), Justin Murr in the High Jump (1.56m) and 200m (24.9s) and Seb Pickles and Mark Taylor in the high hurdles (14.1s for both).

The next instalment of the season came via the **Harrogate and Craven Area Trials**, held at Leeds Metropolitan University. Again this was a May meeting and again some pupils performed extremely well. The aim of the meeting was to qualify for the Harrogate and Craven team to compete in the North Yorkshire Championships, for which the following qualified:

Ben Rusius - Junior Boys 1500m
James Rusius - Intermediate Boys Steeplechase
Matthew Ackers-Johnson - Intermediate Boys Triple Jump
Ben Holland - Intermediate Boys Discus
Justin Murr - Intermediate Boys High Jump
Oliver Brewer - Senior Boys Steeplechase

At the **North Yorkshire Championships**, Ben Rusius, James Rusius, Matthew Ackers-Johnson and Oliver Brewer qualified to represent North Yorkshire and in recognition of representing the county on no less than 27 occasions, Oliver was presented with a commemorative clock by the NYYSSA. After the Inter-Counties meeting, Ben Rusius and Oliver Brewer reached the **English Schools Athletics Championships** in Nottingham held in July, where both pupils did very well, Oliver finishing 10th overall and Ben 9th.

At the end of May, a year 8 team and a year 10 team took part in the first **Keighley and District Schools Athletics Meeting**, held at Greenhead school, Keighley. This meeting was the first of two, with the points scores from the two being totalled to give an overall score for each school involved. After this first meeting, both teams found themselves in second place.

Top performers on the day were:

Year 8

Thomas French - 1st, 400m, John Marsh - 2nd, 1500m, Cameron Herd - 3rd, shot
James Finucane - 1st, javelin, Matthew Redfearn - 1st, high jump.

Year 10

Justin Murr - 1st, high jump and 200m, Greg Coughlin - 2nd, 400m, Tom Clarke - 1st, 800m
Matthew Brennand - 2nd, discus, Robert Davy - 1st, long jump.

At this meeting, **Justin Murr** equalled the school high jump record of 1.74m, while the relay team of **Murr, Davidkhanian, Coughlin and Davy** broke the school relay record.

At the second meeting in July, the year 10 team consisted of year 9 pupils due to work experience, but they did not disappoint anybody. Indeed, the year 8 and 9 team held on for second spot overall, thanks to marvellous team efforts. Only Oakbank school, a specialist sports college, and South Craven, with a roll of over 1600 pupils, put the boys under any sort of pressure. Some year 9 pupils who did very well were Tom McAnespie (1500m), Szabolcs Sovago (800m) and Anthony Connor (Long Jump and 100m). Unfortunately, the meeting was abandoned two thirds of the way through due to rain, so who knows what the boys may have achieved with the relays still to run?!

Finally, the **Craven Area Championships** were held at Settle Middle School in June. These differ from the previous area trials as it is a local fixture and not part of a nationally recognised structure, so the boys could not qualify for the County or English Schools Championships directly from the meeting. Instead, the pupils were aiming to become area champion, then Harrogate and Craven Champion at the subsequent meeting held at Leeds Metropolitan University in July. Qualifiers for the Leeds Met' meeting were:

Year 7

C. Gomall - Hurdles and High Jump, T. Anderson - Triple Jump and 1500m
A. Baldwin - Long Jump and 800m, J. Porter - 400m, J. Fassendorf - 200m

Year 8

S. Procter - Hurdles, C. Herd - Shot, J. Finucane - Javelin, J. Kelly - 800m
T. French - 400m, J. Marsh - 1500m

Year 9

A. Connor - Long Jump, J. O'Reilly - Discus, L. Cartman - Javelin and 400m

Year 10

J. Murr - High Jump and 200m and relay, R. Davy - long jump and relay
G. Coughlin - 400m and relay, B. Leong - relay (replacing Mark Taylor).

Over half of the pupils entered had progressed to the **Harrogate and Craven Area Championships** held at Leeds on the 2nd of July. That in itself was a terrific achievement by the pupils, and half a dozen boys earned recognition from the finals:

Alex Baldwin - year 7, 2nd in long jump, 3rd in 800m, Liam Cartman - year 9, 2nd in javelin
Gregory Coughlin - year 10, 3rd in 400m, Justin Murr - year 10, 2nd in 200m

Individual winners:

James Finucane - Year 8, Javelin, Thomas Anderson - Year 7, 1500m and triple jump.

Athletics Colours Summer 2002

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2. Performance - personal/team development.
3. Regular attendance at training.
4. Attitude - a mature approach and a willingness to learn.

Under 12

New Awards: Tom Anderson

Under 13

New Awards: Sam Procter, James Finucane, Cameron Herd, Thomas French, Matthew Redfearn, John Marsh, Nick Green

Under 14

New Awards: Ben Rusius, Liam Cartman, Tom Dunbar, Anthony Connor

Under 15

New Awards: Justin Murr, Robert Davy, Greg Coughlin, Thomas Clarke

Senior

New Awards: Matthew Ackers-Johnson, James Rusius

Sports Day 2002**Overall Results**

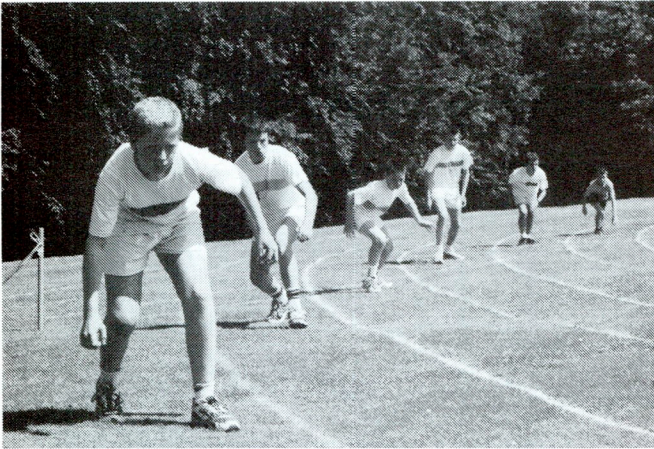
	Ermysted	Hartley	Petyt	Toller
Year 7	1 st 130	4 th 57	3 rd 70	2 nd 93
Year 8	3 rd 81	1 st 115	4 th 69	2 nd 85
Year 9	4 th 56	1 st 119	3 rd 85	2 nd 85
Year 10	3 rd 80	1 st 108	2 nd 85	4 th 75
Overall	2nd 347	1st 399	4th 309	3rd 338

Victor Ludorum Winners

Junior (Years 7 & 8)	1 st	George Whitlam	H	31
	2 nd	Tom Anderson	E	30
	3 rd	Cameron Herd	T	26
Intermediate (Years 9 & 10)	1 st	Robert Davy	H	40
	2 nd	Justin Murr	T	33
	3 rd	James Hart	E	30

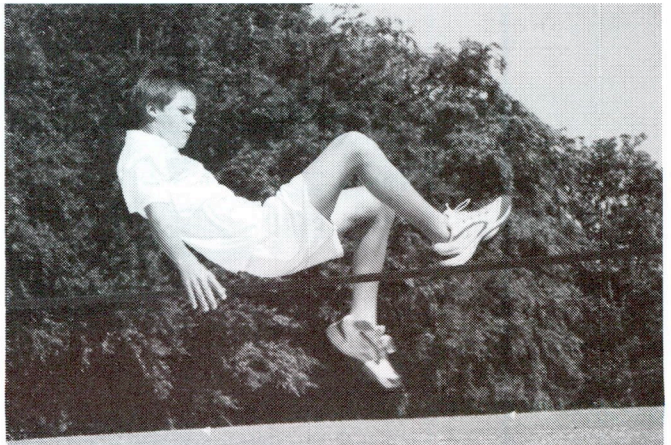
Year 10 Sportsday Results

<i>Event</i>	<i>1st</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>3rd</i>	<i>4th</i>		
100m	Murr J.	T Pickles S.	E Garnett W.	H Leong N.		T
200m	Davy R.	H Cullen C.	H Hart J.	E White B.		P
400m	Coughlin G.	P Eyre J.	P Kitching M.	H Holden C.		H
800m	Clarke T.	H Finlayson D.	T Maude S.	E Burton R.		E
1500m	Mercer J.	H Weedon J.	P Porter L.	E Bailey A.		T
High Jump	Finlayson D.	T Fox M.	P Needham M.	H Porter L.		E
Long Jump	Davy R.	H Pickles S.	E Stockdale D.	T Banks N.		P
Triple Jump	Murr J.	T Garnett W.	H Taylor M.	E Pike O.		P
Javelin	Hart J.	E Manns S.	P Chadwick S.	T Hudson S.		H
Discus	Merrell J.	P Thomas M.	E Darbyshire J.	T Botham M.		H
Shot	Bowker N.	E (=)Cowell-Smith O.	H (=)Coughlin G.	P Leong B.		T
Relay	Hartley	Petyt	Toller	Ermysted		
<i>House</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>108 Petyt</i>	<i>85 Ermysted</i>	<i>80 Toller</i>		<i>75</i>
<i>Individual</i>	<i>Davy Robert</i>	<i>40 Murr Justin</i>	<i>33 Hart James</i>	<i>30 Garnett William</i>		<i>28</i>



Year 7 200m "Get set"

Year 9 high jump event



Year 9 Sportsday Results

<i>Event</i>	<i>1st</i>		<i>2nd</i>		<i>3rd</i>		<i>4th</i>	
100m	Cartman L.	H	Taylor F.	T	Newbould B.	T	Drake A.	E
200m	Connor A.	H	Harwood A.	T	Burton J.	P	Cooke T.	T
400m	O'Reilly J.	H	Holdsworth S.	H	Hawkins P.	P	Brame J.	T
800m	Sovago S.	H	McAnespie T.	P	Gee J.	H	Gane J.	T
1500m	Rusius B.	H	Strong H.	P	Dunbar T.	E	Morgan I.	P
High Jump	Jacques L.	P	Gee J.	T	Holdsworth S.	P	Headley S.	H
Long Jump	Connor A.	H	McAnespie T.	P	Brame J.	E	Simmons J.	T
Triple Jump	Sovago S.	H	Shackleton R.	P	Taylor F.	P	Morgan I.	H
Javelin	Cartman L.	H	Drake A.	P	Smith A.	P	Wright O.	H
Discus	O'Reilly J.	H	Harwood A.	T	Marshall C.	H	Allan L.	E
Shot	Blizzard M.	E	Dunbar T.	T	Gane J.	H	Maude O.	E
Relay	Hartley		Toller		Petyt		Ermysted	
<i>House</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>119</i>	<i>Toller</i>	<i>89</i>	<i>Petyt</i>	<i>85</i>	<i>Ermysted</i>	<i>56</i>
<i>Individual</i>	<i>O'Reilly Jerry</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>Harwood Adrian</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>=3rd Connor Anthony, Sovago Szabolcs</i>			<i>25</i>

Year 8 Sportsday Results

<i>Event</i>	<i>1st</i>		<i>2nd</i>		<i>3rd</i>		<i>4th</i>	
100m	Redfearn M.	H	Tate W.	T	Herd C.	T	Pascoe T.	H
200m	Whitlam G.	H	Green N.	E	Dunn J.	E	Clements M.	T
400m	French T.	T	Procter S.	H	Cameron C.	P	Garrod D.	P
800m	Kelly J.	H	Chew J.	P	Green S.	H	Taylor Jonathan	E
1500m	Marsh J.	E	Mountain T.	H	Gee O.	T	Hudson P.	H
High Jump	Green N.	E	Redfearn M.	H	Garrod D.	P	Wardley R.	H
Long Jump	Mountain T.	H	Cowan E.	P	Taylor Jonathan	E	Witek A.	T
Triple Jump	Chew J.	P	Kelly J.	H	Turner A.	T	Dunn J.	E
Javelin	Finucane J.	P	Grima J.	T	Woodhead M.	E	Hudson P.	H
Discus	Tate W.	T	Procter S.	H	Gill R.	P	Oswald B.	E
Shot	Herd C.	T	Whitlam G.	H	Beer M.	P	Blackie M.	E
Relay	Hartley		Ermysted		Toller		Petyt	
<i>House</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>115</i>	<i>Toller</i>	<i>85</i>	<i>Ermysted</i>	<i>81</i>	<i>Petyt</i>	<i>69</i>
<i>Individual</i>	<i>Whitlam George</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>Herd Cameron</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>Chew Jack</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>Tate Will</i>	<i>21</i>

Year 7 Sportsday Results

<i>Event</i>	<i>1st</i>		<i>2nd</i>		<i>3rd</i>		<i>4th</i>	
100m	Chan J.	T	Hicks D.	H	Newbould S.	E	Marshall J.	P
200m	Fassenfeld J.	E	Stoddart T.	P	Eyre T.	P	Devenish L.	T
400m	Porter J.	E	Nicholson A.	H	McLachlan A.	T	Johnston S.	H
800m	Baldwin A.	E	Gornall C.	P	Paley J.	H	Golson R.	E
1500m	Anderson T.	E	Thwaites	T	Nicholson P.	E	Crapper T.	H
High Jump	Gornall C.	T	Turnbull	P	Franks B.	P	Brooke A.	H
Long Jump	Powell J.	T	Baldwin A.	H	Wade S.	H	Porter J.	P
Triple Jump	Anderson T.	E	Parker M.	P	Haider H.	T	Day W.	P
Javelin	Fassenfeld J.	E	Bollen W.	H	Bailey H.	P	Wellock D.	T
Discus	Phillips D.	H	Davies R.	P	Shepherd L.	P	Liu S.	T
Shot	McLachlan A.	T	Ackers-Johnson J.	T	Pighills H.	P	Enzor A.	H
Relay	Ermysted		Toller		Petyt		Hartley	
<i>House</i>	<i>Ermysted</i>	<i>130</i>	<i>Toller</i>	<i>93</i>	<i>Petyt</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>Hartley</i>	<i>57</i>
<i>Individual</i>	<i>Anderson Tom</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>Gornall Chris</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>Baldwin Alex</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>Fassenfeld Jacob</i>	<i>13</i>

1st XI Cricket 2002

The cricket season for the 1st XI seems to shorten each year. Leave of absence for years 11, 12 and 13 as well as GCSE, AS and A2 exams forces much of the season into 4 weeks in April and early May and a further 2 weeks in July. Given the short season the 1st XI had 5 matches scheduled.

Against Leeds G.S. in their first match the team bowled and fielded well to restrict the home team to 136 for 8 from 35 overs with Ed Roberts and Simon Pile returning excellent bowling figures. In reply Ermysted's struggled to put together a good partnership and as a result wickets fell at regular intervals leaving us 46 runs in the end.

A strong bowling and fielding performance was the key to the victory over Giggleswick with Simon Pile and Scott Hudson proving the main wicket takers bowling them out for just 58. Ermysted's knocked them off for the loss of just 2 wickets with solid batting performances from Wayne Fradley and James Hastings-Trew.

The MCC match was unfortunately lost to the weather.

The season then had to have an enforced 6 week break because of external examinations and resumed in July with the annual fixture against the Old Boys. A strong team had been assembled which posted a challenging score of 199 for 7 from 35 overs. In reply the 1st XI scored 187 for 8 and were only 12 runs short in the end. Ajmal Patankar (78) and Scott Hudson (35) were the pick of the batsmen.

The final game of the season was against the staff and for the first time in many years the staff were able to raise a side without 'ringers'. The 1st XI batted first and were bowled out for 102 - Mr Speak taking 4 for 15. After a solid start the staff struggled to score runs against an accurate bowling attack and were eventually bowled out 10 runs short of their target with Mr Hodgson (25) and Mr Speak (23).

RH

1st XI Cricket Fixtures and Results

Leeds G.S. 136-8	(E. Roberts 3-40, S. Pile 3-34, S. Hudson 2-18)
Ermysted's G.S. 90 all out	(C. Baxter 18)
EGS lost by 46 runs	

Giggleswick 57 all out	(S. Pile 4-4, S. Hudson 2-19)
Ermysted's G.S. 58-2	(W. Fradley 27, J Hastings-Trew 20)
EGS won by 8 wickets	

EGS V MCC Cancelled Rain

EGS Old Boys 199 for 7	(A. Fergie 57 no, N. Thackray 30, P. Wrathmell 25)
Ermysted's G.S. 187 for 8	(A. Patankar 78, S. Hudson 35)
EGS lost by 12 runs	

Ermysted's G.S. 102 all out	(S. Speak 4-15)
EGS Staff 92 all out	(A. Hodgson 25, S. speak 23, C. Baxter 3-6, E. Roberts 2-8, S. Hudson 2-23, T. Baines 2-20)
EGS won by 10 runs	

2nd XI Cricket

The 2nd XI had only 2 matches scheduled and lost the first against Leeds G.S. to rain. Against Giggleswick they restricted the home team to 81 for 5 with sound bowling from Chris Hope 2 for 16. In reply they scored 82 for 4 with Tom Baines scoring 26 winning by 6 wickets.

RH

Ermysted's G.S. v Leeds G.S.	Match Cancelled - Waterlogged Pitch
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Giggleswick 81-5	(C. Hope 2-16)
E.G.S. 82-4	(T. Baines 26)
EGS won by 6 wickets	

U14 Cricket

This year the under 14 's were unfortunate to only play two matches, largely due to bad weather.

The first was against St Mary's, Menston in the Lord Taverners Cup. We elected to put St Mary's in to bat, who went on to amass a total of 167-3. In reply we were able to bat for the full twenty overs, but only reached a total of 67-7 with no major contributions from any single batsman.

Our second match was against Bradford G.S. where we once again won the toss and this time elected to bat first. We made steady progress throughout the innings and at the close of the twenty overs finished with 70-6, with J. Simmons and S. Sovago each scoring 15 runs.

A good start was then made by our bowling attack, dismissing the two openers for only four runs, J. O'Reilly collecting both scalps and finishing with 2-5. However, these were the only Bradford wickets to fall and the Bradford batsmen knocked off the runs with several balls to spare. E.G.S. lost by 8 wickets.

Jerry O'Reilly

Under 14 Cricket Fixtures and Results

St Mary's Menston 167 -3
EGS 67-7
EGS lost by 100 runs

Lords Taverners Cup

Ermysted's G.S. 70 for 6
Bradford G.S. 72 for 2
EGS lost by 8 wickets

(J. Simmons 15, S. Sovago 15)
(J. O'Reilly 2-5)

U13 Cricket

Our first match was against Harrogate G.S. in the Yorkshire Post cup. We put them in to bat first and they reached 80 off their 20 overs. Richard Atkins and Chris Baines opened the batting for Ermysted's scoring 33 n.o. and 30 n.o. respectively, which was a good win overall. Our next match was against Ripon G.S. We were put into bat first and only reached 68 off our 20 overs. We didn't bowl well nor field well and they reached 69 with 7 more wickets in hand. We were out of the Yorkshire Post Cup in the second round.

We had one more fixture to play, which was against Bradford G.S. We put them into bat first and they only reached 62 off their limited amount of overs. We bowled and fielded really well on this particular day for a change. Some of our figures were: J. Kelly 3-10, R. Atkins 2-2, J. Taylor 2-14 and Michael Beer 2-6.

After this great bowling display we went into bat with great confidence, but this was soon turned to panic, as there was a top order collapse. Luckily James Kelly and Michael Beer steered us to safety, with James top scoring with 27 to his name. In the end we won by 3 wickets.

It was a mixed season for us and I hope we can go further in the cup next year.

Richard Atkins 8P

U12 Cricket

Although, in my opinion we have had a disappointing season losing the two games we played, the signs for next year were encouraging as the team showed a steady improvement in the games we played.

The first match against Malsis was thoroughly enjoyable, but in the end we were defeated by 8 wickets. Ermysted's batted poorly scoring a miserable 33 runs all out with Thwaites and Newbould being the pick of the batsmen. Our score was easily overhauled but Haiden produced some fine bowling and Baldwin and Stockton fielded well. From this match we realised we needed to get some batting and bowling practice.

The second match we played was a vast improvement, bowling first we took 4 wickets for the loss of 61 runs with Davies, Thwaites and Devenish taking wickets. We then fell just short of their total scoring 56 for 7, with encouraging batting performances from Newbould, Davies and Wellock. Other performances of note came from Golson and Bailey in the field.

It is hoped that next year brings an upturn in fortunes and the team will repay some of the faith the sports teachers have put in us with some wins!

Tom Heathcote

Cricket Colours 2002

Colours are awarded to pupils who fulfil the following criteria:

1. Full commitment to a major School Sport.
2. Performance - personal/team development.
3. Regular attendance at training.
4. Attitude - a mature approach and a willingness to learn.

Under 13

New Awards: Richard Atkins, Chris Baines, James Kelly, Jonathan Taylor, Michael Beer

Under 14

Re-awarded to: Szabolcs Sovago, William Vittery, James Parker

New Awards: Jerry O'Reilly, William Bell, Thomas Maclean

Under 15

Re-awarded to: Mark Taylor, Andrew Bailey, Nicholas Bowker, David Wynn, James Hart, Neil Banks, James Bell, Luke Charnley, Thomas Baines, James Procter

New Awards: None

Senior

Re-awarded to: Wayne Fradley

New Awards: Edward Roberts, James Hastings-Trew, Alex Irvine, Charles Baxter, Ajmal Patankar, Scott Hudson

Cross Country

Overview

The cross-country club had its most successful season ever this year. There were numerous victories in inter-school races for all age groups and some truly exceptional performances in major championships. At the Harrogate & Craven Area Championships we had 4 out of 5 individual race winners and 3 team victories, a phenomenal achievement when over 20 schools competed.

In addition, 18 runners represented the area in the County Championships with 12 going on to gain their county colours, 4 of whom ran in the English Schools' Championships. The junior boys team once again reached the final of the English Schools' Cross-Country Cup Competition. However the highlight of the year was the Northern Schools' Cross-Country Championships where we gained our first ever team silverware when the Year 7 Team became Champions. Superb support in the other age groups meant the school also won the Trefoil Trophy for the best aggregate of team totals in each age group.

All in all a fantastic season and fully deserved, rewarding the athletes for their dedicated training and justifying the time and efforts of our retiring captains Oliver Brewer and Chris Rusius who I would personally like to thank for seven years tremendous service to the school.

S.Speak

Inter School Races - Bingley Harriers invitation event; with over 500 athletes from 20 schools taking part this fixture saw our cross-country season off to a magnificent start. We swept the board in the team competitions winning first team at Y7/8, Y9/10 and Y11/12/13. In addition we had 2 individuals Ben Rusius and Szabolcs Sovago gaining medals for top three places.

Skipton AC Cross-Country - In these races which saw our runners take on athletics clubs from all over Yorkshire and Lancashire we performed admirably, winning team medals in three age groups and an individual trophy for runner-up Ben Rusius.

Leeds GS - We took teams to Leeds to compete against 6 other schools in their annual invitation event. Our tremendous season continued with victory in all four team competitions and the first runner home in three age groups, Ben Rusius (Y8/9), James Rusius (Y10/11) and Oliver Brewer (Y12/13) with the runner-up in the other, Alex Baldwin (Y7).

Stoneyhurst - We actually raced at Stoneyhurst twice this season, winning at both senior and intermediate age groups, first in a low key head to head fixture in October and later competing in their Senior Invitation event. It had been raining all morning, before we reached Stoneyhurst College in the afternoon. This meant that conditions on an already demanding 5¹/₄ mile course were considerably worsened. Because of varying alternative commitments only 7 runners from years 10, 11 and 12 represented Ermysted's. The sheer distance of the course and the atrocious conditions made the race all the more challenging. All of our runners finished - which is a feat in itself! Unusually 6 runners counted for the team as opposed to the normal 3 or 4, which meant that everyone's individual place was important. The depleted Ermysted's team was placed 8th out of the 13 teams that entered. All of our runners finished comfortably within the top 100. Strong performances were noted from Mark Ashton and Luke Porter.

EGS Home Fixture - We took on teams from Stoneyhurst, Oakbank and Leeds in our annual invitation event. Our tremendous season continued with victory in both team competitions and an individual victory for captain Oliver Brewer in the senior event with James Rusius the runner-up in the intermediate race.

Leeds Relays - Our Year 7 and Year 8/9 teams took part in these races which involved strong running schools from as far afield as Wakefield. We performed extremely well in the circumstances, battling the snow in Skipton before placing runners-up in both age categories, in absolutely atrocious weather conditions! Fast times were recorded by Y7 runners Porter, Baldwin and Thwaites and by Y8/9 runners Rusius, Kelly, Greenway, Cooke, Taylor and Cowan.

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Ermysted's 1st XV



Staff and 1st XI Cricket Teams



Oliver Brewer runs to victory with Chris Rusius close behind



The English Schools' Cross Country Cup Team



Chairman of Parents' Association Maureen Wharton, Clive Hornby, Angela Scott and Mr Ashworth at the Summer Fayre



The Cast of "Oliver!"



Chess Challenge

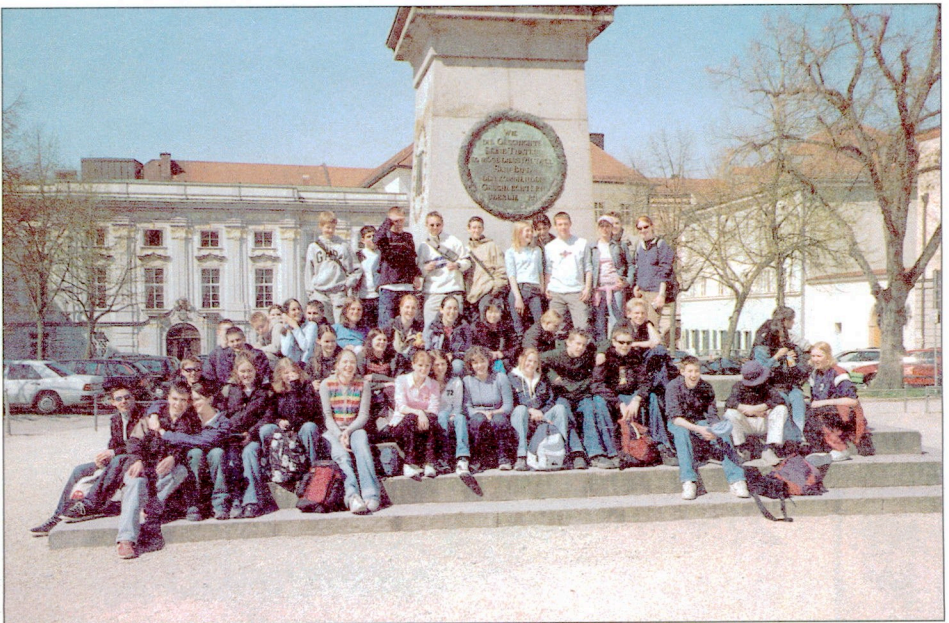


The successful Paperclip Physics team

Picture by Bill Johnston Photography



The Greenfingers Team – with Mr Gill, Mr Sykes and Mr Fryer



The German Exchange students in Zimbach



**The Big Band perform at the Summer Fayre
showing new stands and covers bought by the Parents' Association**



Artwork by Richard Naylor

EGS Relays - We hosted our annual relays which were unfortunately affected by late withdrawals and ended up as a head to head match against Oakbank sports college, Keighley. The U12s had a strong chance of glory and did not disappoint. The race was over as a spectacle after Tom Anderson ran the fastest time of the day on the first leg. Indeed Tom's time even beat all the year 8 & 9 runners who were to follow in the next race. The lead was easily maintained in the next legs, by Joe Porter, Alex Baldwin and Scott Thwaites, who all ran good times. The U14s were hampered by the absence of three of their fastest runners and would probably have won if they had been available. However, the runners who could make it performed admirably in sub zero arctic winds. Ed Cowan and Thomas Mountain battled well on the first leg with Thomas beating Ed by just 2 seconds to give the 'B' Team second place ahead of our 'A' Team. Jeremy Gee then took over for the 'A' team and lifted them up into second place. Luke Greenway and John Marsh then ensured Silver medals for the 'A' Team ahead of Bronze for our 'B' Team. Our B team had some excellent performances with Jeremy Gee, Alex Witek and Barney Newbould all breaking 7 minutes. The U16s had very strong opposition and their race was closely contested until Sam Clegg ran the fastest time of the day on the last leg to deny them victory. Good times were run by David Taylor, James Rusius and Matthew Ackers-Johnson, who all broke 12 minutes for 2 laps. Thomas Clarke also ran well with a time of 12.08. The U18s didn't have any opposition but ran against the U16's. They ran well with Charles Baxter leading them in on the first leg before Oliver Brewer ran the fastest 2 lap stage of the day with 10.32 to take them clear. However, Chris Rusius was hauled back on the final stage by one of the U16 teams probably due to an injury and tiredness after competing at Giggleswick the same afternoon at football. The 'B' Team were in second place with Brown, Viney and Hussain each doing fast times just over 12 minutes.

English Schools Cross-Country Cup

North Yorkshire Round - Ben Rusius was the star of the show for Ermysted's as he romped to individual victory in the Intermediate (Year 9/10) race. However, he was not able to participate in the North East of England Round, as his team suffered through injuries to two athletes who last year ran in the National Final with Ben. The team finished fourth of the 8 teams when a top three spot was required to progress. The Juniors (Year 7/8) showed how important the whole team is in this competition by getting their 4 scoring athletes inside the top 14 finishers resulting in runners-up spot, out of the nine teams.

North East of England Round - Ermysted's Junior (U13) Team qualified for this year's National Final of the English Schools' Cross-Country Cup by Finishing as Runners-up on Saturday 10/11/01 in the North East of England Round of this year's competition at Acklam near Middlesbrough. The 12 teams of 6 runners from all over the North East lined up for each age group. James Kelly and John Marsh led the way finishing 8th and 9th respectively, but this is a team competition and they only get the chance to run in the final because of the excellent support from their team-mates. Oliver Gee and Tom Anderson (who is only in year 7) completed the team finishing 17th & 18th respectively for a team total of 52 points only 6 behind the winners. The nonscorers were also very high up in the top half of the field of 72 runners. Thomas Mountain was 35th and Scott Thwaites 36th.

National Final - Our Junior (U13) Team ran in the national final of this prestigious event. Well over 400 teams from all over the country had set out in October and the best 24 teams had reached this far. We had hopes for a high team placing after they had qualified a close second in the NE of England Round. Realistically they were never going to win but did have hopes of a top ten finish. We had travelled down on Friday and stayed at Stratford Youth Hostel, so we were quite refreshed and raring to go with captains Oliver Brewer and Chris Rusius to cheer on the team. The race itself was set in palatial surroundings with literally a gothic temple, tower or folly on every corner. The race began in excellent conditions on a wet and surprisingly hilly course. After the early charge James Kelly was tucked in, about 20th place, with John Marsh in close attendance. Their personal battle to be first home for school was good to watch as John got the better of the contest finishing in 33rd, with James 40th (80 places higher than last year). A really impressive run from Oliver Gee saw him home in 49th only 15 seconds adrift of John. Unfortunately Tom Anderson was not at his Area Championship winning best finishing 30 seconds but more importantly 46 places behind Oliver in 95th (The same position as Oliver Brewer in 1995, so let's hope he too can be runner-up next year!). Their team score did beat their NE of England rivals but was only good enough for 14th team in the final, nevertheless a tremendous achievement to get to a national final. The non-scorers were Thomas Mountain and Alex Baldwin who will have both gained valuable experience for the future.

Harrogate & Craven Area Championships - Ermysted's have enjoyed more than their fair share of success at Cross-Country over the past decade but this is no accident. This was another illustration of how hard work and dedication on the training field reaps its rewards in competition. Individuals were racing against up to 80 runners and still we had four area champions. In the team events 20 schools took part with at least 12 teams in each of the younger age groups. We won 3 of these and more success looks likely as 2 of the victories were in the first two age groups, with the other success at senior level. I wonder how coincidental it is that these are the age groups who regularly attend training? I also think that the introduction of a captain's training session on Thursday lunchtimes has paid dividends and they can be justifiably proud of their teams' success.

The Year 7 race saw our new intake run for the first time against equal age group opposition and they showed just how good they are by winning the event. They were missing Scott Thwaites but the rest of the team produced a fantastic performance to support Tom Anderson who became our First Area Champion. The Year 8 team had won last year and had hopes of a repeat performance. Excellent runs from all our athletes, most notably James Kelly who gained an individual bronze, resulted in our second team title. The Year 9 team didn't recover from the late withdrawal through illness of Szabolcs Sovago. Consolation came in the form of a most impressive individual victory of the day as Ben Rusius won his third successive Area Title by a massive distance. The unluckiest team on the day was our Year 10 & 11 team which missed out on victory by 2 points. However, James Rusius took the individual title and both Ashton and Ackers-Johnson secured places in the Area Team. Our Seniors were hugely impressive as a unit and clearly won the team title with four scoring runners in the first 8 home. This included a third individual title for Oliver Brewer as he raced in these championships for the final time and fourth for his fellow Cross-Country captain Chris Rusius. The team also had Y12 athletes in 7th, 8th and 9th showing tremendous strength in depth and likely future success.

School Cross-Country - The geography department, ITV and BBC all said it would stop by lunchtime, but it didn't. The ground was always going to be wet, and by the time 600 pairs of boots had gone over it, extremely muddy. Records would be difficult to come by. However, we did get one new record for Ben Rusius in the Year 8/9 junior race, who was followed in by Szabolcs Sovago and John Marsh. The Year 7 winner was Tom Anderson closely followed by Scott Thwaites and Alex Baldwin. The Year 10/11 winner was James Rusius followed by Mark Ashton and Oliver Hurst who dead heated for a share of the runners-up spot. The Blue Ribbon event was won by Head Boy Oliver Brewer who prevented his fellow Cross-Country Captain, Chris Rusius, from making it a family clean sweep, third place went to Mr. Edward with Charles Baxter being the third pupil home.

Northern Schools' Cross-Country Championships - The school did outstandingly well in this most prestigious event both on a team and individual basis. Out of the 5 races we had the individual runner-up in two of them. Ben Rusius ran tremendously well in the Y9 race, bearing in mind a recent injury and virtual inactivity over the previous three weeks. Oliver Brewer, our retiring cross-country captain, in his last ever race for the school signed off on a high note by finishing second in the most competitive senior race. In addition, we had four of our five teams winning awards for placing in the top 6 teams.

The Year 7 team were magnificent becoming Northern Schools' Champions and gained the school's first ever team silverware in the 63 year history of the event. This really was a fine team effort with Tom Anderson leading the way in 4th, Alex Baldwin 11th, Scott Thwaites 13th and Joe Porter 21st. Even their non-scorers Richard Golson and Alex Witek made the top fifty finishers. This out of an entry of 27 teams of 6 shows how well they did and their team total of 49 points was 26 clear of the next team.

The Year 8 team were 5th with another low score of 74 points with John Marsh, James Kelly and Oliver Gee all making the top 15 and Jonathan Taylor completing the team with 34th place. The Year 9 team were also 5th thanks to excellent performances of Ben Rusius and Szabolcs Sovago and good support from Luke Greenway 43rd and Jeremy Gee 48th. Our Year 10/11 team unfortunately could not recover from two late withdrawals and finished in 9th place but with a very costly team total of 179 points. The seniors in addition to Oliver Brewer's runner-up spot had Chris Rusius in 24th in his last race for the school, Zoheb Hussain 29th and Charles Baxter 33rd for another low total of 85 points and Fourth place in the team competition

In the overall competition, where the points are totalled to find the best schools on the day, we finished third best school in the North of England with 488 points, only 33 points behind the winners and regretting those extremely costly absences in the U16 team. However, despair soon turned to great joy when the results of the Trefoil competition for the totals of the U12, U13 and U14 team competitions came through and we were declared the winners for the first time in the school's history. A truly astonishing achievement for a relatively small school and tremendous reward for all the years of dedicated training by the athletes.

Cross Country Representative Colours

Area Colours

These were gained by;

Seniors	Oliver Brewer, Chris Rusius, Charles Baxter, James Viney & Zoheb Hussain
Inters	James Rusius, Mark Ashton & Matthew Ackers-Johnson
Juniors	Ben Rusius, James Kelly & John Marsh
Y7	Tom Anderson, Alex Baldwin & Joe Porter

County Colours

Were gained by;

Seniors	Oliver Brewer, Chris Rusius, Charles Baxter, James Viney & Zoheb Hussain
Inters	James Rusius & Mark Ashton
Juniors	Ben Rusius & John Marsh
Y7	Tom Anderson, Alex Baldwin & Scott Thwaites

Runner of the year

John Marsh was the clear winner of the trophy this year with Zoheb Hussain runner-up and James Viney and James Kelly sharing 3rd place.

Captains Trophy

This was awarded to James Viney for tremendous contributions to races and at training.

Most Improved Runner

This was bought and presented for the first time by retiring Captains Chris Rusius and Oliver Brewer. The inaugural recipient was Zoheb Hussain.

Great North Run

Mr. Speak followed in the footsteps of Ex Cross-Country Captain, Chris Foster to take part in the Great North Run of September 2001. He was raising money for Motor Neurone Support with a specific aim of helping sufferers such the recently retired E.G.S. teacher Mr. Davies. He ran with several members of Embsay Cricket Club (where Mr. Davies was Captain) and he completed the run in 1 hour 54 minutes. In so doing he raised the tremendous total of £1213.52 for the charity, with over £1000 donated by E.G.S. pupils.

Orienteering

“Ermysted’s Are Just Champion”

Ermysted’s Grammar School Orienteering Club were this year confirmed as Yorkshire Champions.

The team travelled south to Cawthorne Woods near Barnsley to compete against other schools from Yorkshire and Humberside and came away with a fine haul of medals and certificates. After a year long break due to the foot and mouth crisis the club is now fully operational again and this success will only serve to improve the confidence of the boys in the team. It was very much a team effort with a dozen boys contributing, under the watchful eye of Martyn Gill, bus driver and team manager.

In the Year 7 race Chris Gornall was first and Simon Johnston second. Mark Parker also ran well and this enabled the team to win the year 7 team award. Sam Wade was the fourth member at this age group and just missed out on a placing.

In the Year 8 race Alistair Everett had a pleasing run.

In the Year 9 race Tom Dunbar ran strongly to take first place, hotly pursued by Chris Chew who was second. Mark Nicholson also had a positive run and the team won the team award.

Joe Mercer was first home in the Year 10 race, winning by a considerable margin. Joe was selected to go on one of the Orienteering tours to Scotland in the summer, a reward for a fine series of performances and his continued presence in the Yorkshire County squad.

Daniel Holmes scooped first place in the Year 11 race, with Matthew Goode not too far behind. Unfortunately there was no third member at this age group so the team award slipped from their grasp.

Overall, the Championship Shield was awarded to the school with the lowest cumulative score, so Ermysted’s won by quite a margin. Hopefully this success will encourage others to take part in this fast and challenging sport.

Senior Tennis Tournament

Following the demise of Henman to yet another Australian nemesis the best that EGS has to offer took to the courts. The competition started with a round-robin section of 4 mini-leagues of five players with the two winning most games in each league qualifying for the knock-out stages. The favourites after the round-robin section duly obliged by winning their quarter-final with only David Barker and James Hastings-Trew giving us a decent match. The semis were on paper a little more interesting but Ferguson and Murgatroyd were still the hotly tipped favourites after they had each only dropped one game in reaching this stage. However, James Sellers had other ideas and upset the formbook by winning his semi to meet Alastair Ferguson in the final. That was again a one sided affair with Alastair taking the match and with it the title of Senior Tennis Champion for 2002.

How Qualified	Quarter-final	Semi-final	Final	EGS Champion
<u>Winner gp1</u>	<u>Alex Murgatroyd</u> 6-0	<u>Alex Murgatroyd</u>		
<u>R-up Gp2</u>	<u>Ewan Scarr</u>		<u>James Sellers</u>	
<u>Winner Gp4</u>	<u>James Sellers</u> 6-0	<u>James Sellers</u>		
<u>R-up Gp3</u>	<u>Ben Heap</u>		<u>6-1,6-1</u>	<u>Alastair Ferguson</u>
<u>R-up Gp1</u>	<u>James Hastings-Trew</u> 7-5	<u>David Barker</u>		
<u>Winner Gp3</u>	<u>David Barker</u>		<u>Alastair Ferguson</u>	
<u>Winner Gp2</u>	<u>Alastair Ferguson</u> 6-0	<u>Alastair Ferguson</u>		
<u>R-up Gp4</u>	<u>Edward Bailey</u>			

Rugby - 1st XV

Played 15 Won 5 Lost 10 Points For 176 Points Against 322

The first match of the season saw a big Harrogate G.S. pack dominate the match. Despite some desperate tackling some of which was too high we were well beaten 34-0. Our next match, against Ripley St Thomas from Lancaster, saw a much improved performance winning 31-7. The performance against Silcoates was probably our worst of the season. They were able to score at will (and did) due to our lack of desire to tackle.

The next 2 matches saw much improved performances with sound victories over Benton Park and South Craven. The match against Bingley G.S. was a game of contrasts with the Ermysted's pack dominant, but the exciting Bingley backs attacking from deep. In a close fought game we eventually lost 15-6. This was followed by a heavy loss to Bradford G.S. and a very narrow loss to Giggleswick 12-7.

After half-term we played Crossley Heath losing 26-5 but bounced back with a 15-0 victory over QEGS Blackburn in the Daily Mail Cup. We were on the dominant against Ashville College in a game affected by the wind but could not convert pressure into points.

Our next Cup game was against Lytham and was probably the best performance of the year. There was never more than a score in the game and we finished the stronger with constant pressure for the final 10 minutes of the game. The improved performances finally gave us a convincing victory over Ripon G.S.

In early December we hosted the Antipodeans from the Sydney area of Australia. We played them under lights at Wharfedale RUFC. For the first 20 minutes we played to our full potential and were highly competitive but their power and pace came out in the second half as we tired.

There were some notable individuals who contributed to the season. Andrew Bode was a typical number 7 working tirelessly and scavenging for loose ball on the floor. Stewart Pollard improved throughout the season proving to be a dominant lineout jumper and excellent in the loose. David Clements still has 2 more seasons in senior rugby and deserves a lot of credit for his performances throughout the season. Ed Roberts and John Gardner worked tirelessly in the back row and with another years development should prove to be highly effective next season. David Marshall proved to be an effective scrum half and developed a good partnership with stand off Charlie Baxter as the season developed.

Many of this seasons 1st XV will return next year as only 5 players were from the upper sixth. With a seasons 1st XV experience under their belt they will hopefully lead the way for the new comers who will be joining them from the 2nd XV.

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Representative Honours

Wayne Fradley and Chris Wright were selected for the Yorkshire U18 State Schools' Squad.

David Clements and Richard Hannah were selected for the U16 Yorkshire Schools' Squad.

Robert Davy and Patrick Gains represented Harrogate/Craven/Richmond and Hambleton U16 Squad.

Anthony Connor was picked for the U14 Yorkshire Development Squad.

Rugby Results 2001-2002

Date	Opponents	1st XV	2nd XV	Colts	Jnr Colts	Under 13	Under 12
Sat 8 th Sept	Harrogate G.S.	L 0-34	W 19-0	L 5-45			
Wed 12 th Sept	Ripon G.S.(Trial match)	Trial					
Sat 15 th Sept	Ripley St Thomas	W 31-7		L 0-65	W 29-0	L 0-36	
Sat 22 nd Sept	Silcoates, Wakefield	L 0-53	L 7-45	L 17-31	L 24-27	L 5-44	L 10-41
Wed 26 th Sept	Benton Park	W 18-5			W 15-10		
Sat 29 th Sept	South Craven	W 37-5		L 5-48	L 7-12	W 41-5	W 14-12
Tue 2 nd Oct	Kettlethorpe				L10-21		
Wed 3 rd Oct	RGS Lancaster		L 5-17				
Sat 6 th Oct	Bingley G.S.	L 6-15		L 17-42	W 22-5	W 14-5	W 84-5
Sat 14 th Oct	Bradford G.S.	L 58-6	L 5-24				
	Benton Park				D 10-10	W 51-10	W 56-14
Tue 16 th Oct	Wharfedale 10asisde					W	W
Wed 17 th Oct	Giggleswick	L 7-12	D 10-10				
	Half Term						
Sat 3 rd Nov	Crossley Heath	L 5-26	W 22-5	L 17-45	L 5-33	L 17-41	L 7-28
Tue 6 th Nov	Giggleswick			W 41-0	D 31-31		
Wed 7 th Nov	QEGS Blackburn	W 15-0					
Sat 10 th Nov	Ashville College	L 5-15	W 13-3	L	L 10-39	D 10-10	L 10-12
Wed 14 th Nov	RGS Lancaster		W 24-14				
Sat 24 th Nov	K.E.S. Lytham	L 10-16	L 0-51	W 26-12	L 13-26	L 26-0	L 10-26
Sat 1 st Dec	Ripon G.S.	W 33-3	W 61-0	W 61-0	W 43-7	W 57-0	L 0-14
Tue 4 th Dec	Antipodeans Australia	L 3-53					
Sat 8 th Dec	Rishworth, Halifax	L 0-30	W 26-0				
	Played	15	11	10	12	9	8
	Won	5	6	3	4	4	3
	Draw	0	1	0	2	1	0
	Lost	10	4	7	6	4	5
	Points For	184	194	187	209	195	191
	Points Against	320	169	291	220	174	152

Colts Rugby

Played 10 Won 3 Drawn 0 Lost 7 Points for 187 Points against 291

Despite an improvement towards the end of the previous season, the optimism for a successful year was not realised immediately and there were disappointing defeats in the opening two games against Harrogate G.S. and Lancaster. However, the squad continued to work hard to improve and better performances followed against Silcoates and Crossley Heath. Victory over Giggleswick G.S. provided the confidence the team needed for the second half of the term. A loss against Ashville College, was the only defeat in the final four games and the season once again ended on a high with resounding wins over K.E.S. Lytham and Ripon G.S., where the team displayed good attacking and defensive qualities.

Next season, players from the team will compete for places in the 1st and 2nd XV's and everyone recognises the need for continued hard work to meet the challenge of the higher standards they will face.

J. Procter

Junior Colts Rugby

The junior colts had a good season recording four wins, two draws and six losses. We got off to a brilliant start when we beat Ripley St Thomas 29-0 with a top performance for our first game of the season. Then we came up against a big and strong Silcoates team and lost narrowly 24-27. We then got back to our winning ways against Upper Wharfedale 15-10 that was once again a close match. Then we lost twice to South Craven and to Kettlethorpe in the cup. In these two games the team did not perform to their full potential. After that we beat Bingley comprehensively 22-5.

We then met Benton Park and drew with them 10-10 and this was a close game with both sides having numerous opportunities to take the victory. After the half term break we looked rusty and never got into top gear and suffered a heavy defeat 33-5 at the hands of Crossley Heath. After that we faced Giggleswick who we drew with 31-31, a game that we should have won with many opportunities to take the victory. After that we had two losses that we could have played a lot better in but Ashville and King Edwards Lytham were each the better side on the day. We ended the season on a high after a comfortable victory over Ripon 43-7.

This season on the whole was a good one with many new players being brought in but we need to be more consistent.

William Bell 9H

U-13's Rugby

Played 9 Won 4 Drawn 1 Lost 4 Points For 195 Points Against 174

The season got off to a bad start with a loss to Ripley St. Thomas 30-0. Next we played Silcoates and again lost, 41-5. On September 29th we travelled to South Craven and came away with our first win of the season with a scoreline of 41-5. We carried on our winning stretch with good victories against Bingley and Benton Park and on the 16th October we went to play a 10-a-side tournament at Wharfedale. We won all of our matches in the first round of the tournament except for Settle and finally won the competition with a convincing victory against South Craven. We came back from half term to lose to a strong Crossley Heath side, 41-17. On 10th of November we played Ashville College at Sandylands and after a hard match came off the pitch happy with a 10-10 draw. Two weeks later we played away at Lytham and disappointingly lost 26-0. We finished off the season on a high though with a 57-0 victory over Ripon Grammar School.

Will Tate

U-12's Rugby

Played 8 Won 3 Drawn 0 Lost 5 Points for 191 Points Against 152

Unfortunately, EGS met their heaviest defeat of the season in their first game which was held at Silcoates. Our newly formed team met a very well organised and experienced team but still managed to score 12 points to Silcoates 41. The fortunes of the team improved when they won their next 3 games: South Craven 14-12; Bingley Grammar School 84-5 and Benton Park 56-14. This winning streak also saw EGS become joint winners of the Wharfedale 10-a-side tournament. This success was short-lived as they lost their last four games: Crossley Heath 7-28; Ashville College 10-12; KES Lytham 10-26 and finally Ripon Grammar School 0-14. Despite this the team is looking forward to the 15-a-side game next season and also settling a few scores.

Rhys Davies 7A

House Rugby

House Rugby was played in the Autumn term in fine sunny conditions for once. The competition involved about 300 pupils throughout the week and was played in a fine spirit.

The results were as follows:

	Hartley	Petyt	Ermysted	Toller
Senior	10	22	5	7
Year 10	22	0	0	36
Year 9	29	7	19	31
Year 8	0	28	7	10
Year 7	5	17	35	5
	Hartley	Ermysted	Petyt	Toller
Senior	5	17	0	15
Year 10	17	0	0	29
Year 9	55	0	22	24
Year 8	0	26	5	17
Year 7	7	14	26	17
	Hartley	Toller	Ermysted	Petyt
Senior	0	27	5	5
Year 10	0	26	32	5
Year 9	50	0	5	29
Year 8	0	26	5	38
Year 7	14	10	35	0

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Junior	Senior
Ermysted	1st	3rd	4th	3rd	3rd=	2nd
Hartley	3rd	4th	1st	2nd	2nd	4th
Petyt	2nd	2nd	3rd	4th	3rd=	3rd
Toller	4th	1st	2nd	1st	1st	1st

Rugby Colours

Colours were awarded to the following;

Under 13

New Awards: Jack Chew, Nick Green, Jo Grima, Cameron Herd, Lloyd Butterworth, Will Tate, Michael Woodhead, Calum Cameron

Junior Colts

Re-awarded to: Anthony Connor, Matthew Rhodes

New Awards: Luke Yates, William Bell, Jerry O'Reilly, Felix Taylor, Jonathan Burton

Colts.

Re-awarded to: James Hart, Justin Murr, Chris Holden, Robert Marshall, Robert Davy, James Procter, Matthew Kitching

New Awards: Tom Baines, Dan Holdsworth, Patrick Gains, Harmic Davidkhanian, Addison Southam, Mark Taylor, Chris Reeday, Martin Needham

Senior

Re-awarded: Wayne Fradley, Andrew Wiggan, Andrew Bode, Oliver Green, Chris Wright, Duncan Macdonald

New Awards: James Hastings-Trew, David Clements, Stuart Pollard, John Gardner, David Marshall, Chris Marshall, Charles Baxter, David Barker
Nick Brushett (Services to 2nd XV rugby)

Soccer

Our 1st XI, 2nd XI and Yr 11 soccer teams all had competitive games. Against South Craven, Leeds Grammar and Giggleswick the overall record was played 5, won two, lost three.

Swimming

The House Swimming Gala took place at the end of the summer term for pupils in Years 7 to 10. The results were as follows:

1st Petyt 103 2nd Hartley 52 3rd Ermysted 40 4th Toller 37

The Victor Ludorum prizes for individual performances were awarded to:

Junior Scott Thwaites
Intermediate Robert Stow

During the Gala the following School records were broken:

Junior 1 length backstroke	Edward Cowan	Petyt	1.00.75
Intermediate 1 length breaststroke	Robert Stow	Petyt	56.28
Intermediate 1 length back crawl	Jamie Harrison	Petyt	49.78
Intermediate freestyle relay		Petyt	1.25.59
Intermediate medley relay		Petyt	1.53.00

During the year Jamie Harrison represented the Yorkshire Division at the English School Swimming Championships.

Junior Results (years 7&8)

Event	1st	H	2nd	H	3rd	H	4th	H
Freestyle x1	Thwaites S.	P	Kelly J.	H	Dyson-Sutton W.	E	Brame D.	T
Freestyle x2	Chew J.	P	Robertson-Welsh B.	H	Nicholson P.	E	Ibbotson D.	T
Breaststroke x1	Nicholson A.	E	Brook A.	H	Atkins R.	P	Wellock D.	T
Breaststroke x2	Greenwood M.	T	Garrod D.	P	DQ		DQ	
Backcrawl x1	Gill R.	P	Enzor A.	H	Baldwin A.	E	Davidson W.	T
Backcrawl x2	Cowan E.	P	Robertson-Welsh B.	H	Greenwood M.	T	Stoddart T.	E
Butterfly x1	Thwaites S.	P	Nicholson A.	E	Phillips D.	H	Pinder D.	T
Freestyle relay	Petyt		Hartley		Ermysted		Toller	
Medley relay	Petyt		Ermysted		DQ		DQ	

Intermediate Results (years 9&10)

Event	1st	H	2nd	H	3rd	H	4th	H
Freestyle x1	Harwood A.	T	Stow R.	P	Davy R.	H	Eyton-Jones R.	E
Freestyle x2	Hall A.	P	Garnett W.	H	Brame J.	T	Taylor M.	E
Breaststroke x1	O'Reilly J.	H	Drake A.	P	DQ	T	DQ	E
Breaststroke x2	Stow R.	P	Dunbar T.	T	Rusius B.	H	DQ	E
Backcrawl x1	Roberts T.	P	Connor A.	H	Newbould B.	E	Gee J.	T
Backcrawl x2	Harrison J.	P	Nicholson M.	E	Needham M.	H	Binney M.	T
Butterfly x1	O'Keefe R.	P	Dunbar T.	T	Connor A.	H	Nicholson M.	E
Freestyle relay	Petyt		Hartley		Toller		Ermysted	
Medley relay	Petyt		Toller		Hartley		Ermysted	

Parents' Association Report

Here we are again, another year under the belt as it were. Once again another very successful and enjoyable year for the Parents Association.

To make a change I will start at the end of the year with the Summer Fayre, preparations for which began way back in January. The sub committee toiled throughout the year bringing lots of new ideas to the field on the day. We were delighted that Clive Hornby, who is not only a star of Emmerdale fame but also a parent, agreed to join us on the day to perform various duties including the official opening and the setting off of the balloon race which saw 864 balloons released into the skies from the 'top', an impressive sight it was too. The weather was very kind on the day which was a great relief to us all as the week had started with the wettest July day on record! We had torrential rain all week and were wondering where we could fit everything inside if it did rain. Can Morris Dancers dance indoors?, what about the quad bikes?, how on earth will the field survive? (Mr Head was particularly concerned with his pitch on the front) - just some of the questions that went round and round during the many sleepless nights some of us had. However, someone somewhere was listening to our silent prayers as the day before the fayre the sun came out and dried up all the rain! The day was judged to be one of the most successful of recent times and we managed to raise the magnificent sum of £4,311, which was just over our target to give the library a whole new management system. Well done to everyone and a huge thank you to all who came.

We welcomed Mr Gregory to the committee as a staff representative and were delighted when he suggested an evenings' entertainment with the Big Band and the school choir, along with some help from Geoff, Geoff and Charlie! They all provided us with a great night of music and song, the brave solo Night and Day sung by Sam Parry was particularly well received. The audience danced along and after a well deserved standing ovation no one wanted the night to end. Roll on next year when Mr Gregory has offered to do it again. Who knows, we may raise more than the £655 that came our way that very special night in May.

Very much an Ermysted's tradition now the quiz night was, as ever, very popular. Our quizmaster Julian got the brains working overtime and with a record number of seats sold the scene was once again set for a fun night. The very commendable sum of £957.55 was raised - many thanks to Bizzie Lizzies of Skipton for once again providing the suppers free of charge and to the Roberts family and friends who ran the evening with great efficiency. Commiserations to the team of year 12 boys who had the spirit to enter but sadly came last, age it would seem does have some advantages!

The boys raised £524.85 by leaving their uniform behind and donning casual clothes for the first non-uniform day for their own benefit, we thank Mr Ashworth for allowing us to organise this day.

Another event which is fast becoming a tradition is the 5-a-side football competition, and in traditional style it took place over 2 qualifying nights with the finals held just before Easter. Ermysted's were represented by 3 teams with the staff team and one of the boys' teams making it through to the final night. All played very well but didn't win the trophy. Once again the final was between SBS and Law4U, with Law4U retaining the trophy. Congratulations to all who took part, we especially thank Homelooan of Skipton for their generous sponsorship enabling us to raise £712.

Christmas is a busy time for us all, so we are especially grateful to everyone who helps sell raffle tickets. This year a team of year 7 boys led by William Bollen and his dad sold tickets outside Tesco and Morrisons boosting the takings to £1,962.75. Well done and thanks to everyone who donated the prizes.

Santa took time out once again from his busy schedule to attend the Wassail Evening. He distributed various 'gifts' to people in the audience, the Head received a one way ticket to Iceland, Chairman of Governors, a very small book of short speeches and myself 'How to be a shrinking Violet'. Thanks to Santa for his sense of humour, Mr Gregory and the boys of the choir for keeping us so well entertained and to all who helped in any way. Rarely can £815 be raised in such an enjoyable way.

Way back in September we welcomed Christine Cartwright, Estee Lauders international skin care expert to school, she provided us with a very humorous insight into the world of the rich and famous and their beauty secrets. We also enjoyed delicious food and drink served by the ever faithful band of committee members. Commission sales and ticket sales gave us the respectable sum of £493, bringing the total for the whole year to £10,431.96.

None of this would be possible without the help and commitment of the whole committee; we are also indebted to Joanna, Marilyn and Tricia in the school office for their invaluable help and knowledge, I am truly

grateful to you all. Mr Ashworth, who, as I write this is waiting for heart surgery, also deserves a special mention as a valuable member of our team. We wish him and his family well at this difficult time and trust he will return in good health in due course.

As usual the year began with a cheese and wine get together for parents of new boys and the AGM where we welcomed lots of new members to the committee, we trust their time with us will be a happy one.

As Information Technology is so important to everyone's future, the PA have concentrated the major part of their fund raising on this aspect. Over the last 3 years we have given back £20,000 to help fund the new computer suite and the library is about to have a new computerised management system introduced with proceeds from the Summer Fayre. However, we have still had enough money for the smaller projects such as a digital camera for the art department, embroidered banners and music stands for the music department. We even managed to have some new units in the stage kitchen (thanks to John Bollen) to make life a little easier for ourselves when preparing food for functions. It makes all the hard work worthwhile when we can say 'yes' to requests.

It just remains for me to wish everyone well, especially those who have left us, and to thank Claire and Barbara for taking on the roles of treasurer and secretary respectively, duties which they discharge with great efficiency as their predecessors, David and Judy did. We look forward to another successful year and to the continuing partnership between the school, governors, old boys and ourselves.

A Day In The Life Of...

Chairman of the Parents Association.

When I had been volunteered for the position of assistant chairman I was assured the job "was easy, stuffing envelopes, lending a hand now and then". OK I will do it. Then the sudden resignation of the Chairman left me well and truly in the chair!

With plenty of help from all quarters I set to and continued the fine work done by previous incumbents. It has been a fascinating 3 years and I would like to share a few of the lighter moments with you. These recollections are all true and are in no particular order; names have been withheld to protect the innocent!

Christmas Eve, called from the shower to answer the telephone; *caller* 'do you know when the GCSEs finish next year?' *me*, 'sorry I don't', *caller* 'I want to go on holiday as soon as they finish, what would you do?' *me*, 'call school when they return after the holidays, or the education office will know.' *Caller*, 'the cheap flights are out now, if I wait I might miss them, when did they finish last year, will it be the same?'

Caller, 'I am new to the area, can you recommend a dentist?' *Me*, 'I can give you mine if that is any help.'

Late evening, (past my normal bedtime!) *Caller*, 'my friend has emigrated to ----- she put her sons blazer in the uniform sale last year, has it been sold and can you send her the money?'

Two days before my holiday, caller at the door, 'can we borrow your cups for the ----- fayre? *Me* 'they don't belong to the PA you need to ask permission from school'. A further 10 minutes of conversation followed to put the callers mind at rest that I was sure they were available. Next day another caller at the door; 'the cups aren't in the cupboard where you said they would be, do you know where they are?' 'Sorry, I don't' was the reply from me. After a lengthy discussion the caller was returned to school to look for the caretaker, the cups were found and all was well.

Half term holiday Saturday morning; *caller*, 'I have had a letter saying I can't take my son out of school for a holiday, I have called school and there isn't anybody there, what should I do? Would you take your son out?'

After the Black & White Ball, 'I have never enjoyed myself so much in years; please take back my winnings' (£200 cash) to put towards the total raised. Thank you that man and thank you to everyone who has contributed over the years.

There have been lots of highlights during my reign as chairman and a few panics but hopefully these are outweighed by the more pleasurable moments, such as meeting Bill Beaumont, entertaining Clive Hornby for the afternoon of the summer fayre and presenting Chris Davies with a picture on his retirement, sadly all too early. But the most important thing over the years, with invaluable help from all the members of the Parents Association, was being able to give back approx £35,000 to school. Long may it continue.

Old Boys' Society

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Annual Report

The Society continues to be in good heart, we have over 1920 members on our listing, unfortunately not all paying the Annual Subscription to the Society. This subscription just about covers the actual cost, plus postage, of the Chronicles.

The deaths of 10 members have been reported to the Society, namely:- Thomas Barron, Lloyd Metcalfe, Fred Pye, Roger Stansfield, Raleigh Hargreaves, W.G. Bradley, Andrew Penney, Neil Townson, Peter Windle, John Turner. Our condolences go out to their loved ones.

At the Annual General Meeting, held before the Founders' Day Dinner, the Treasurer reported a balance of £9,350 in the General Account, plus a balance of £34,233 in the Investment Account. The majority of the Investment Account total is the residue of a bequest to the Society from an Old Boy, and is held in reserve to assist the School in any special projects.

Once again the Founders' Day dinner made a handsome sum - £1,937 - towards the funds of the Society, this total sum coming from the Bar takings and the Raffle. We try to minimise the actual dinner cost, usually pitching it just over the cost price, so the Society relies on the bar and raffle to increase the Society funds.

After many years outside the control of the Society's Officers the Hartley McIntosh Scholarship Fund has come back under our complete control. A sum of £3,603, the monies of the fund, has been invested in the Investment Account.

During 2001 the Society invested £817 in new dining tables for use at the Annual Dinner, plus £1,443 towards the renewal of the stage curtains in the Memorial Hall.

Approval was given by members at the A.G.M. for the expenditure of a further £1,700 towards the completion of the renewal of the window curtains in the Memorial Hall.

To facilitate the restructuring of the Governing Body, required under the Education (School Government) Regulations 1998, Michael Harrison became the Old Boys' representative on the Governing Body. Due to a resignation from the Foundation Governors, Michael has now been re-elected to his former position as a Foundation Governor enabling the Old Boys to appoint a new representative. I am pleased to inform you that Mr A G (Tony) Barrett has been appointed to represent the Old Boys' Society on the Governing Body.

At the A.G.M. no members of the Committee reached the end of their 5 year period of service.

The Treasurer and Secretary were once again re-elected to their posts unopposed.

Representation was made to the A.G.M., via a letter, asking that the Society should consider banning smoking at the Annual Founder's Day Dinner. After discussion it was decided that the invitation to the 2002 dinner ask members to vote on the motion -

"Should smoking be banned in the Memorial Hall until all the formal business of the evening of the evening has been concluded?"

Only the votes of those actually attending the Dinner will be counted, the results to be discussed at the 2002 A.G.M.

The end of the 2000 -2001 school year saw the early retirement, again on medical grounds, of another “Old Boy” master, Tony Capstick. Your committee is sure that all members join them in wishing him well for the future.

With the loss, due to English Rugby Union regulations, of the annual Old Boys -v -School rugby match, a replacement match has for several years been played with Giggleswick Old Boys, the match taking place on the Sunday following Founders’ Day. Unfortunately this match was not played in 2001 due to circumstances beyond our control.

A spin-off to this contact with Giggleswick Old Boys has been an annual golf match with them, followed by an excellent dinner and social evening. Currently the trophy is held by Giggleswick, thanks to two halved matches in the last two years.

If any of you have any news for the Old Boy’s section of the Chronicles please let the Treasurer or Secretary have the details care of the School, the closing day for copy is usually mid-July before the end of the Summer term, please bear that in mind.

Len Price.
Hon. Secretary

Old Boys’ News

Obituaries

Mr Thomas Barron - Craven has lost a popular and well-known member of the farming community with the death of Thomas Barron at the age of 72.

Thomas attended Bradley Primary School and then Ermysted’s before leaving to work on the family farm. He went on to take over the farm, running for a time in partnership with his brother George, also an old boy of Ermysted’s. A key member of Bradley Village Hall Committee, Thomas helped to raise funds for the rebuilding of the Hall and he was also a member of the Parish Council.

In his younger days, he became a founder member of Skipton Young Farmers’ Club and went on to serve it as Chairman. Thomas was also a long-serving employee at Skipton Auction Mart where he worked for the Ministry of Agriculture.

Thomas was a familiar figure for several years at the Old Boys’ Dinner, capturing guests as they arrived in order to lighten their pockets of funds for raffle tickets. Thomas leaves his wife Jean, sons William and John and six grandchildren.

Mr Roger Stansfield - Roger was one of Craven’s great characters. Born in 1940 he was the son of a local butcher and had an older brother, Malcolm and a younger sister, Kath.

After marrying his wife, Audrey, they rented a farm at Nappa. Roger was a founder member of “Raw Grass” - a scheme in which the Government encouraged farmers to work together for silaging on their farms. He entered Farmer of the Year and was runner-up in the Yorkshire region. He was a member of Barnoldswick and Earby Round Table serving as its Chairman in 1971. He was a part-time lecturer at Skipton Agricultural College and chairman of the Grassland Society. He was also in the Pendle Forest and Craven Hunt, helping to build the new course at Gisburn for the point to point and serving as social secretary for many years.

In 1980 he began foot trimming of cattle and when the lease on his farm ran out he took up the occupation full time and became affectionately known as “Roger Cowfoot”. He travelled the length and breadth of Yorkshire and also sneaked into Lancashire although he didn’t like to admit it.

He was a popular after-dinner speaker and he featured on various radio programmes discussing his unusual job and also on television including Yorkshire TV’s “Dales Diary”. His speaking fees were donated to a local hospice. His love of rugby stayed with him and he was a keen follower of Wharfedale where he was a vice-president, travelling to both home and away matches.

He was a friend to many and lived life to the full, packing everything and more besides into his 61 years.

Mr Andrew Penney - Andrew Penney was Barnoldswick's community pharmacist for almost 30 years up to his death from cancer at the age of 58. He played a key part in the close knit community where he worked and was much loved by customers. Right up until his death he was taking prescriptions out to his customers, some of them housebound.

Born to a Barnoldswick family, Andrew attended Gisburn Road Primary School and went on to study pharmacy at Bradford, returning to Barnoldswick on gaining his professional qualifications, eventually opening his own shop in Rainhall Road in 1973. Later he opened another shop in Victoria Road, Earby.

He was a past president of the Rotary Club of Barnoldswick and Earby and had close ties with the Barnoldswick and Earby Council of Social Services, the voluntary group that provides and runs a minibus taking West Craveners to visit loved ones at Skipton and Airedale Hospitals, taking bookings at his two shops.

Andrew was a staunch supporter of the Old Boys' Society, attending each Annual Dinner and making sure that he "rounded up" a group of six to eight each year with his friend Howard Cutler to be seated in the same place each year, nearest to the bar.

Captain John Hilton Turner - John Hilton Turner died on the 3rd July 2002 at the age of 84. Born in Skipton in 1917, the family moved to Gargrave in 1920 and he was educated at Gargrave Council School before attending Ermysted's.

On leaving school he joined the family business of Harry Turner as an apprentice joiner. John became a member of Skipton Rugby Club in about 1936 and obtained a regular first team place as a second row forward. After the war he became a committee member of the Club.

He joined the local Territorial Army in 1937 and was called up in August 1939, joining the Duke of Wellington Regiment and becoming a member of the "Dukes" rugby team. He saw service in Iceland and after returning to England in 1942 obtained a Commission. He took part in the Normandy campaign and served as an adjutant with the 6th Battalion Duke of Wellington Regiment PTC.

He rejoined the family business after the war. He was a member of Gargrave Village Institute, was appointed the first chairman of the management committee for the new village hall and ultimately became a life member. He was president of the Gargrave branch of the Royal British Legion and was also secretary and treasurer of the 6th Battalion of the Duke of Wellington Regiment Old Comrades Association for 22 years until 1997.

John had been president of the Skipton Master Builders Association, chairman for approximately 20 years of the Old Folks Rest Centre in Skipton and, in 1987, completed 25 years membership of the Rotary Club. He served on Gargrave Parish Council, was a Trustee of the Gargrave Poor Lands Charity and a member of Gargrave Cricket Club. He leaves his wife Vera, whom he married in 1939, six children, 12 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Mr Raleigh Hargreaves - Raleigh Hunt Hargreaves died on the 20th June 2002 at the age of 87. He obtained his school certificate and matric at Ermysted's and at the age of 17 became the third generation of his family to enter the quarrying industry. He joined his father who had started Halton East Quarries in 1932 and on his father's death took over the business at the age of 22.

He became an associate member of the Institute of Highway Engineers, a member of the Institute of Directors and Managing Director of Halton East Quarries Ltd and Mountain Limestone Ltd. He served in the Limestone Federation for many years becoming President in 1966. He was chairman of the Yorkshire branch of the Institute of Quarrying and the Central Roadstone Federation.

He was a founder member of Skipton Round Table and also engaged in field sports and was a country lover. However cricket was his passion. He was secretary of Embsay Cricket Club in his early years and later President for many years. He was vice-chairman of the Craven and District Cricket League from 1937 to 1945, President from 1946 to 1971 and was ultimately a honorary life member. He played for the Hawks Cricket Club, was on the committee and then President. He was also a member of Yorkshire County Cricket Club.

As a member of Skipton Golf Club he became President from 1982 to 1986 and then a life vice-president. Additionally he was President of the local Multiple Sclerosis Society for several years. He served as a sidesman at Holy Trinity Church, Skipton for 40 years.

Raleigh has been chief guest at the Old Boys' Dinner and has always retained a keen interest in the School.

Obituaries

- **Mr David Smith** – Born in 1922 his father had been secretary of Burnsall Feast Sports from 1910 until 1951 when David took over and served for 50 years. Excelled in track and cross-country at school, played rugby for Wharfedale and cricket for Gargrave and Burnsall. He was one of Skipton Golf Club's original directors and was both Captain and President. Joined 600 Squadron as a fighter pilot during the war and served in the Desert Air Force in the Mediterranean flying Beaufighters and Mosquitos. Married Patricia after the war and had a son, Derek. Later worked for Johnson and Johnson.
- **Mr George Rumney** – was born in 1915. He received his accountancy qualification in 1936 and after 60 years membership of the Institute of Chartered Accountants was made a life member. During the war he served as a cipher operator throughout the Middle East and Italy, and escaped from Tobruk where 50,000 allied troops were captured. Was a deputy chairman of Settle Bench of magistrates and was president of Settle Rotary Club in 1966.
- **Neil Townson** – was killed by a car in France aged 23 while on a year out between gaining his geography degree from Manchester University and starting work.
- **Mr Jim Tosney** – born 1916 he worked in the family firm Cop Dyers of Alexandra Mills, Skipton. When war broke out he joined the Duke of Wellington's Regiment and later transferred to the RAF and flew Lancaster bombers. He was chairman, president and life member of Skipton Rugby Club. He leaves his wife Alice - their son Nicholas born 1948 tragically died in 1985 - and grandchildren Jonah and Anna.
- **Mr Edmund Kirk** – born 1920 in Selby moving to Gargrave when aged 7. At EGS he was junior and senior champion athlete and vice-captain of both cricket and rugby. He spent his whole working life at Dewhurst's Mill. Joined the RAF and took part in the D-Day landings. His wife Eileen died 13 years ago, he leaves a son John and daughter Carol.
- **Mr Tom Cooban** – born 1913 started in journalism with the West Yorkshire Pioneer and after serving with the 9th Armoured Division during the war became sub-editor of the Times for 13 years before becoming head of the news unit at the Central Office of Information. His wife Kathleen died in 1994 after 50 years marriage, he was predeceased by his daughter, Valerie but is survived by his son Michael and grandson Alexander.
- **Mr Harry Bracewell** – aged 77 born in Barnoldswick. Server briefly in the North Atlantic and then started teaching, first at Church School, Barnoldswick and then at Barnoldswick Secondary Modern where he became head of English and later deputy headmaster. He retired in 1983. His first wife died in 1982 and he married Kathleen five years ago. He was president of Barnoldswick and Earby Rotary Club in 1992/1993.
- **Mr Norman Fullalove** – aged 72 in Barnoldswick. Joined and later inherited the family printing business Carr's Printers, later Carrprint, and built it in to one of the area's key employers. Served as chairman and area chairman for Barnoldswick and Earby Round Table. He leaves his wife Joyce, three sons and 10 grandchildren.

Marriages

- Former Head Boy **Peter Butterfield** married Fiona May Berry of Huddersfield. They met at university and married at All Hallows' Church, Kirkburton, Huddersfield. Best man was Robert Hanson and ushers were Duncan Berry, Simon Tollerton, Sam Lyles and Peter Shirley.
- **Mark Lumsden**, an accountant with KPMG in Leeds married Sally Green of Sheffield at St Oswald's Church at Collingham, Leeds.
- **Daniel Feather**, a business consulting manager at Nortel Networks in Maidenhead, married Clare Ibbett in the Lady Chapel at St Albans Cathedral
- **George Bellas**, an account executive with IMS at Silsden married Joanne Finlay of Embsay at St Mary the Virgin Church, Embsay.

Other News

- **James Greenwood** graduated from St. Andrews with an M.A. Hons.(2.1) In English Literature
- **James Burgess** has successfully completed the LL.B. (Hons.) programme at University of Newcastle.
- **Christopher Lee** graduated from Aberdeen University with an Honours degree in Land Economy (urban surveying)
- **James Douglass** 1991-1998 graduated with a B.A.(Hons.) first class degree in business studies at Sheffield Hallam University.
- **Ben Lazenby** obtained a 1st class degree in Anatomy & Human Biology from the University of Liverpool.
- **Anthony Busfield** was awarded Master of Physics with Astrophysics (2.1) by University of Leeds.
- Former Head Boy **Peter Wrathmell** ran in the London Marathon to raise money for the restoration of war memorials of all dates and types (as opposed to war graves or other kinds of public monument)
- **Tim Coughlin**, a pupil with Glynis Evans of Skipton since aged seven, won the Lloyd Hartley Memorial Prize, awarded to the person from Leeds, Harrogate, Skipton or Lancaster, who gains the highest mark in grades 6, 7 or 8. He gained a distinction in Grade 8.
- Theatre Group Northern BroadSides performed **Blake Morrison's** celebrated Yorkshire comedy, set in Skipton, called "the Cracked Pot", at the Auction Mart in October 2001.
- **Howard Topper** has been presented with the Scout Thanks Badge for 40 years devotion to Scouting.
- **Richard MacSween** (1962-1969) has had his first novel published by Andersen Press. The book for teenagers called "The Firing" is about a girl from Manchester who moves to a small village and finds there is nothing to do there.
- Former Head Boy **John Wightman** set off on a 240 mile walk to raise money for charity Raleigh International's work in Namibia where he would later go on a volunteer expedition.
- Former Head master **David Buckroyd** has been elected as new president of South Craven District Scout Council taking over from Colin Reeder.
- **Michael Anderson** completed 30 weeks of training to receive the coveted Green Beret – the hallmark of commando troops.
- The Royal Navy's newest warship HMS St Albans, the 16th and last of the Duke Class Frigates to be built for the Royal Navy is commanded by **David Barker** of Earby who attended Ermysted's in the 70's. His brother Christopher was Head of School House. **Chris Watson**, of Colne, left to join the Navy in 1973 and both men commanded one of the Navy's finest ships, HMS Iron Duke.
- **Duggie Sculthorpe** (left in the late 60s). Played for the Skipton Town Minors – the last team from these parts to win a County Cup and, after moving to Oldham, his contemporaries thought that he had died! He was discovered to be alive and well by Roger Ingham at Wigan where Duggie's son was playing rugby league for GB v Australia.
- A match between Skipton and Wharfedale produced a scoreline of 55-35 and raised £2,600 for the Marie Curie Cancer charity. In addition, a wager between Harry Crabtree and Jimmy Harrison as to who would have the longer playing career was finally settled with a framed £1 note handed over by Mrs Crabtree to Mrs Harrison in a busy ceremony after the game.
- Skipton's "Mr Sport" **Roger Ingham** received a North of England Athletics Association Merit Award at a presentation in Manchester. This award recognises the immense contribution of people like Roger who put so much time and energy into athletics without expecting any reward. He has enjoyed personal success at cross country over a remarkable five decades.
- **Simon Smith** was featured in the Craven Herald's "Dales Folk". Citing his love of the country life and terrier racing at the Broughton Game Show - which he has helped organise for over 20 years.
- In May, **Peter Whitaker** wrote an article in the Craven Herald describing the "Barnoldswick Spud Roaster" train service from Barnoldswick to Skipton. School specials stopped at Earby, Thornton-in-Craven and Elslack. In a follow-up letter **Owen Oliver** described the alternative "Old Sal" no. 40 bus, run by Ezra Laycock and Sons. – [Stories such as this would be good in future Chronicles – Ed]
- **Todd Oates** who emigrated in December 1999 gained his first international cap representing New Zealand's U20 orienteering team which beat Australia on their own soil for the first time.
- **James Mason** who left School last summer having ran for England in an Under 20 World Championship Uphill Mountain Race whilst still at School represented Cambridge University in their annual cross-country varsity race against Oxford and in so doing earned himself a blue.

Out of the Archives

**Out of the Archive:
Rugby and
Association Football
at Ermysted's,
- 1876-1914**

The recent appearance of soccer as a competitive sport at Ermysted's may raise the odd traditionalist eyebrow, but a delve into the School's archives reveals that there was a time when Rugby did not reign supreme.

The history of sport at Ermysted's effectively begins with the headmastership of E.T. Hartley (1876-1907), and the transfer of the School to its current Gargrave Road site in 1876/77. The revered figure of Hartley, himself a player with, and later President of, Skipton Football (Rugby) Club, recognised that sport should play an important role in young men's education. Significantly this sentiment was voiced in his first Speech Day address of 1877 where "he alluded to the necessity of attending to the physical as well as the mental training of children." The Hartley ethos was one that had flourished in Dr. Arnold's Rugby School in the 1830s and penetrated the English Public Schools in subsequent decades. Promoted as 'Muscular Christianity', team games claimed to be character building and encouraging of qualities like loyalty, team spirit, selflessness and a sense of honour. On a practical level, the new site offered the space for a games field, albeit a sloping one and easier access to Skipton Football Club's "Town Ground".



**Skipton Grammar School 1st XV Rugby Football Team, 1884-45.
The team included members of Staff: Mr. Johns (front, third from left)
and Mr. Barham (front, far right).**

'Rugby' football, with its 'public schools' connections, was the obvious choice of winter sport for Hartley's aspirant, re-launched school, aiming - as it was - for a substantial 'boarding' clientele. Skipton Football Club, formed in 1874, dominated as it was by the sons of the local industrial and professional elite. It must have given the rugby game in the town a prestige value that the Grammar School would have found difficult to ignore.

Available evidence, however, suggests that an immediate adoption of Rugby and a competitive inter-schools fixture list was slow to get off the ground. The first mention of a fixture, with another school, in the Craven Herald and Pioneer was November 1879:

“Football – A match took place at Ilkley, on Wednesday, between the Scholars of Skipton Grammar School and those of Ilkley Collegiate School, when the latter team proved too strong for the visitors.”

An interesting feature of the game in this era was the playing role of members of staff. Mr. Johns (1882-1892) played for the full Yorkshire County side and provided the cornerstone of the School’s pack. In a school with limited numbers to draw from, his and Mr. Barham’s presence allowed the team to be competitive and the fixture list to expand in the mid 1880s. Opponents by this stage included Bradford G.S., Leeds G.S., Saltaire G.S., Woodhouse Grove School, Skipton ‘A’, Skipton Church Institute and Ilkley Collegiate School. Another notable difference with the later set up was the absence of regular games sessions. Rather, the Headmaster would grant time for ‘football practice’ on an ad hoc basis, presumably when the weather was suitable.

The change to ‘Association’ Football in the autumn of 1890 is recorded by the perfunctory entry in the Chronicles of September: *“School Committee votes to adopt Association football rules.”*

This appears to be a decision made by the students themselves, although what form the ‘School Committee’ took is impossible to determine. The reasons behind this are equally unclear. Lack of success, or anticipated lack of success in the fifteen-man game, might have been a factor, particularly as 1890 saw a dip in boys on roll to 70. It may have been influenced by the burgeoning popularity in the Association game - not dissimilar to the soccer boom in the 1990s - fostered by the setting up of the Football League in 1888 and the growing success in the game of northern clubs.

Thus the ‘round ball’ game took precedence for the next 17 years. Fixtures were numerous (31 in season 1904-05) and largely local. The less confrontational nature of the game enabled the School 1st XI to compete with adult teams on a more regular basis. One such was ‘Skipton Tuesday’ – a team of bank clerks and shopkeepers freed on the afternoon of this day by the town’s ‘half day’ commercial closure. Still, the School felt disadvantaged and certain misgivings were voiced in the Easter Chronicles report of 1904:

“Nearly all our matches have been played against teams greatly our superiors in weight and in many cases our conquerors have learned their football at the School.”



Skipton Grammar School 1st XI Association Football Team, 1902-03.
Soccer was the main winter game for the School between 1890 and 1907.

Another sign that soccer had its detractors in the School came in the form of a senior debate in November 1905, where the motion was “The supremacy of Association Football over Rugby.” The motion was lost by one vote; a senior master, Mr. Williamson, spoke in favour of Rugby claiming that it was “for sportsmen, not navvies.” That rugby should be the topic of debate at this juncture, may be to do with the huge public interest generated by the touring New Zealand “All Blacks” – a side that was to lose but once in 33 matches.

Nevertheless, soccer at Ermysted's appeared in reasonable health in the early 1900s. In what turned out to be the final season (1906-07) a playing record of played 19, won 10, lost 6 and drew 3 was recorded – no apparent crisis here! More intriguing still, the 2nd XI report (Easter 1907) for that season contained the line: "We hope to give them a fuller fixture list next season." This is a powerful indication that the imminent switch to Rugby in September 1907 was not foreseen or planned well in advance.



Unlike the change to Association in 1890, which was the result of pressure from the below, the change to Rugby in the autumn of 1907 has every indication of pressure from above. Taking over as Headmaster from Hartley in September 1907 was the 28 year-old, J.A. Shawyer. He had played the game to a high level, learning it at Durham School and playing for Oxford University and the Cumberland County side. Brought in by the Governors to inject new vigour into the life of the School, Shawyer certainly wielded a 'new broom' – too much of one as his brief one year tenure of office testifies.

Opposite: J.A. Shawyer, Headmaster 1907-8

At this time Ermysted's – then known as Skipton Grammar School – appears to have made a substantial bid to upgrade its status. The School's adoption of William Ermysted's coat of arms in 1907 was clearly a gesture in this direction, as was the switch back to 'Rugby' football. The 'Public School' image of Rugby Union had been sharpened further by Northern clubs' break away to 'professionalism' (later 'Rugby League') in 1895. Ermysted's was now to compete on the rugby field with some of the most prestigious schools in the north of England. A strong indication that Rugby's reintroduction in 1907 was Shawyer's decision is provided in the brief 'Vale', in the 'Chronicles' [Midsummer 1908], marking his departure:

"...this is hardly the place to enlarge upon the ideals of scholarship and life that he has set before us, but his influence upon school athletics has been no less marked. During the past year, the change to Rugby football has given us the opportunity of playing Sedbergh, Giggleswick, and Leeds Grammar Schools."

The transition to rugby union turned out to be a successful one, albeit with some demoralising, hard lessons along the way. The first competitive match in this new era for the School was against Leeds Grammar School 2nd XV on 19th October 1907, Ermysted's winning by 19 points to 3. Wins were registered in the next two fixtures before being thrashed heavily by Sedbergh 2nds, 56 points to nil. The newly introduced individual match report in the Chronicles rather tersely reminded players of the basic essentials of the game:

"The only way to stop a rush is by falling on the ball. The team as a whole are too prone to trust to a flying kick in attempting to clear their line, a relic no doubt of Association."

Nevertheless, the game of rugby had established very healthy roots by 1914. Seasons 1911-12, 1912-13 and 1913-14 all saw significantly more wins than losses. The School's position on the rugby map was acknowledged in 1912 by the Yorkshire RFU sending a strong 'Yorkshire Wanderers' XV team to play at 'Sandylands'. Moreover, individuals progressed into the high-flying Skipton Football Club, such as J.C. McIntyre; whilst still at School in 1912 he played a key part in the Club's triumph in the Yorkshire Cup Final against Otley. Unfortunately, like many promising sportsmen of this era, McIntyre was to be killed in his prime in the 1914-18 War. For the School 1st XV the 1913-14 season topped all that had gone before it, highlights being double victories over Bradford and Wakefield 1st XV's. The die had been cast for the rest of the 20th century for Ermysted's to be a 'rugby' school.

In summary, whilst not losing sight of the reality that sport, at Ermysted's, was a recreational activity, it did play an important part in shaping the development of the School. In certain ways it helped to define the wider ethos of the place, and in 1907 seemed inextricably linked in with broader issues of School policy.

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Trips, Visits and Functions

There were a large number of trips out of School during the year, including an art visit to the Tate Modern in London for 19 pupils from Years 11, 12 and 13, and trips to the theatre and cinema to see productions associated with English and French set texts.

The Geography Department broke new ground in October when thirty Year 12/13 boys accompanied by 3 staff flew to Iceland for a Field trip.

Early in January a large number of Year 9 pupils ventured into the wilds of Pateley Bridge to Bewerley Park – it was reported that this was the best ever group taken.

Over Easter, a party of 47 Y8-Y10 pupils went on a very successful skiing trip to Les Deux Alpes near Lyon in France. They were accompanied by six adults including Mr and Mrs Hopkins, Mr Head and Mrs Hall.

There was the annual Year 7 visit to the Lake District.

History Trip

Year 10 Visit to First World War Battlefield of Belgium and France

In May 2002 a party of 49 students and staff departed home and school for a four day visit to the battlefields of the Western Front.

Our first full touring day was spent in and around the Belgian town of Ypres – an area repeatedly fought over between 1914-18, and best remembered for the first gas attack in 1915 and the notorious Battle of Passchedaele in 1917. Messines Ridge – the scene of many British underground explosions in June 1917 – was the first destination, followed by the famous War Museum in the Ypres Cloth Hall. Lunch was spent at Sanctuary Wood Café/Museum. Here a section of the trenches and tunnels are well preserved, and artefacts and gruesome photographs lent graphic realism to what we had been learning about. Later in the afternoon we headed to Tyne Cot cemetery where once deadly German ‘pillboxes’ nestle among the thousands of British gravestones. At the massive memorial to lost soldiers there, we found the names of two Old Boys of Ermysted’s who were killed in the same attack on 16th August 1917: Second Lieutenants Frank Gill and Granville Berry M.C., both of the West Yorkshire Regiment. A minute’s silence was held on their behalf. The day was rounded off with a meal in Ypres and attendance at the moving daily ceremony at the Menin Gate memorial.

The next day’s destination was the Somme region of Northern France that is best remembered for the 1916 Offensive, and particularly, the tragic opening day of that battle – the 1st July – when 60,000 of Britain’s volunteer soldiers fell. Our enthusiastic and knowledgeable guide, Tom Morgan, guided us skilfully through the day’s itinerary. Sites of interest included the Thiepval Memorial and Beaumont Hamel – a battlefield of special significance to Newfoundland, as its one battalion was practically decimated there on the 1st July. A short ‘hike’ to the Serre battlefield showed the poignant scene of the ‘black day’ of several northern “Pals” battalions.

On our last evening in Belgium we sought the fun and relaxation of a ten-pin bowling alley, where the slick technique of Mr. Wiggan took the honours in the Staff match. By the end of the night, sleep was the only option, as Mr Fryer patrolled the dormitories with ruthless efficiency. The next morning, bidding a not so ‘fond farewell’ to Hotel ‘Diligence’ and its obsession with chicken meals – cooked or otherwise! – we headed for Calais and the Channel ferry.

In almost all respects the visit had been a success, not least in the good behaviour of the Year 10 boys who went, and their sense of respect for the sacred sights they visited.

Adventurous Activities

The year was meant to get off to a flying start in the Autumn for the Duke of Edinburgh group with a venture practice in the peak district. With foot and mouth still causing problems it was not a straightforward task to go ahead with the walk. The plan was to be away from Friday night until Sunday night, staying in a bunkhouse on the Friday and camping over on the Saturday. Everything was in place when I was struck down by shingles brought on by an electric shock. Unfortunately we could not get another Mountain Leader to cover my absence so the whole weekend had to be cancelled. Although we hoped to re-run the practice in the Summer Term it would seem that the local accommodation was so badly hit by the foot and mouth that nothing suitable for the route was available so instead we headed for the Lake-District.

In contrast to the problems with the expedition work the Navigation Course went pretty well with following gaining the Nation Award:

Samuel Ford	Bronze
Patrick Foster	Silver
Nick Gooch	Bronze
Ben Kay	Silver
Ben Lister	Silver
James Mason	Bronze
Chris Roberts	Bronze
Glyn Williams	Bronze
Ben Erye	Bronze

The course entails building navigation skills until the students can confidently walk from one point to another over quite difficult terrain using map and compass.

A very successful feature of this year's outdoor activities was a Summer Term walk. Jo Wherity, James Darbyshire, Glyn Williams, David Stockdale, Ben Eyre, Martyn Needham, Ben Kay, Andrew Little, Nick Gooch and Sam Ford formed a good mix of year 10 and sixth formers. Day one was a circuit of the Coniston Horseshoe in near perfect weather. We had a very comfortable overnight stay at Hawkshead Youth Hostel and the following day, again in beautiful weather we explored the Langdale Pikes. All enjoyed it thoroughly, even the staff!

Another successful activity was outdoor climbing with Mr Edward supervising and myself assisting. We had quite a few productive and enjoyable evenings climbing at Crookrise behind Embsay.

With reflection on the strengths and weaknesses of last year it was decided to change the format of the Wednesday afternoon activities. Although the Duke of Edinburgh group is still active, it is now extra-curricular. What is offered each Wednesday is an outdoor activity that will run as a progressive course for each half term or term. Students subscribe to a course for its duration with no further commitment.

The courses offered are: A National Navigation Award in the first half term; an indoor climbing course before Christmas; a trail running course after Christmas; expedition training up until Easter and mountain biking in the summer term.

The first course to be run this year is the National Navigation Award with some of those who were successful last year going on to the next level this year. Indeed it might be possible that most of them will achieve a Silver Award with Ben Lister going on to do Gold.

DJ Edmondson

Simbach Exchange

This year's exchange was one of the most memorable - not only for the headaches it caused!

Everything was set by the end of the Summer Term: partners were matched up and swapping mail, traditional and electronic, but just a fortnight before the planned departure of the Skipton pupils in October, news came through from Bavaria that the authorities could not permit a school group to travel there from a country still endangered by Foot and Mouth Disease.

Protracted discussions took place as to whether the exchange might eventually be allowed to go ahead, or whether it should be cancelled totally for the current school year. This clearly would deprive a whole year group of this particular opportunity to travel (as had happened for the German partners last Spring) and would be especially unfortunate in the 20th year of twinning between Skipton and Simbach. Fortunately, a 'stay of execution' was granted, and by January we were able to plan for the German visitors to come to Skipton as usual, just before Easter, and for Skipton partners to travel, unusually, immediately after Easter. This revised timing for our visit had clear disadvantages, coming in the thick of Year 10 modules, and taking some staff away from Year 11-13 exam preparation. It also meant that a few pupils on each side had to withdraw because of changed circumstances. However, thanks to the generous attitude of the Head Master and the co-operation of other staff affected, we were able to enjoy a couple of additional advantages. The boys were learning German as second foreign language, so it meant that they had had more time to brush up their German before embarking on the trip; secondly, we were able to see Simbach and surroundings in new Spring conditions, rather than the usual Autumn colouring.

The programme of activities in both locations was very much as in previous years, and all participants – 20 boys, 22 girls, Mesdames Berry and Pate and Messrs Gregory and Jones - seemed to enjoy the experience. Several really excellent diaries of the visit to Simbach were produced, though more of this standard came from SGHS than from EGS, and the Skipton-Simbach Twinning Association maintained its recent tradition of awarding gift tokens to the best: Jessica Yeh received first prize, Cara Shepherd second, and Robert Anderson third, and diaries by Ruth Clements and Luke Charnley were 'highly commended'.

A reporter for the local newspaper interviewed several pupils, and the following impressions appeared in the Passauer Neue Presse (the German might have been slightly adjusted by the reporter!):

Mahmoud Hassan (14): "Es war sehr interessant zu sehen, wie die Leute hier leben. Ich war das erste Mal in Deutschland und habe immer gedacht, die wären technisch total hinten. Ist gar nicht so: alles ist up to date. Im Radio werden auch gar nicht so viele deutsche Songs gespielt, wie ich dachte. Das Essen ist zum Teil sehr interessant."

Michael Fox (15): "Mir hat alles hier in Simbach sehr gut gefallen. Vor allem die Landschaft hat mich begeistert. Das Essen hat auch sehr gut geschmeckt. Die Leute sind sehr freundlich und nett hier. Ich habe sogar ein bisschen Deutsch gelernt in meiner Gastfamilie. Wir waren auch in München unterwegs, das hat viel Spaß gemacht."

Teachers on both sides were emphatic in their support of the exchange, very pleased that it had finally taken place, and held a joint planning meeting in Simbach in preparation for the next one.

Year 7 Trip to Jodrell Bank

On Thursday the 11th April most of year 7 went on a school outing to Jodrell Bank. We travelled by coach and once there we were given a quiz on the centre. We had to search around the centre for the answers while taking part in the hands-on activities. There were a few Radar dishes and a massive sound telescope. The highlight of the trip was the planetarium show. This was a room filled with seats and a projection of stars was shown on the ceiling of the room.

We learnt about important stars and constellations and where they are in the night sky. At the end of the outing we had a picnic and purchased items from the shop before leaving. On the way home the bus driver got lost so it took longer to get back to Skipton.

Paperclip Physics 2002

It was a moderately warm day on the 27th of February in the year of 2002. A brave band of five Ermysted's pupils set off in search of a fabled prize - the esteemed title of Northern Champions of the Paperclip Physics competition organised by the Institute of Physics. They headed off to Leeds University to claim this prize. Their job was to present an aspect of physics to a panel using house hold equipment. The panel was made up of a physicist, a physics teacher and a non-physicist. The aim was to get the non-physicist to understand your principle. The boys battled hard, fighting off strong opposition and the stigma of being the guys who shorted out the light system. They attributed their victory to weeks of diligent practice and no lunchtimes. Their prize was an all expenses paid trip to London to present an identical talk to the esteemed members of the Institute of Physics themselves!

The band consisted of James Green, Neil Hawkins, Robert Leather, James Midgley, and Michael Hunter supported by their faithful mascot Dr Flynn. Armed with their cricket bag containing jelly, a blowtorch, and a little flashing tree they set off to London. The slightest worry began to creep into the mind of Dr Flynn at this point: "Why, oh Why am I trusting these five people with a small incendiary device?" They arrived at London's King Cross station and disembarked. They queued for a taxi, the concentration showing on their faces - the atmosphere tense with anticipation of the competition.

Around every corner the opposition was lurking with intent. However, just before the lunch they managed to get a sneak peak at some of the opposition. With such names as "Schumaker in the Shower" and "You're Surrounded", they were suitably worried. In an interview I managed to gain with James Green he said this about the opposition "Uh, look at me quaking in my little space boots." The strain was beginning to show. The first presentation they managed to see was a group of people worried about the welfare of robins, more specifically why they didn't explode on electricity wires. It was shocking.

After lunch the boys began to focus...

The table appeared impressive in practice runs but here on this big stage the aesthetics were in doubt. They ran through the presentation in the hallway amid a sea of dodgy looks. After being quizzed by the officials about the safety aspects of their presentation the boys were now suitably worried. The boys began to question if they were ready but Dr Flynn appeared to instil hope in the faltering confidence of the pupils. During a disorganised talk on entropy the boys focus was at an all time high. One more presentation and then it was their turn. Next was "the Doppler effect". It was a well given, professional and on occasion, humorous presentation. However according to our resident specialist they answered incorrectly to the panel's questioning.

Now it was our turn. The first part of the presentation went well and the jelly seemed to impress, even our resident lights expert James Green was on the ball with a well spoken presentation. Next stepped up James Midgley with a talk centred on a bottle and a laser pen. However, while Dr Flynn glared on at the presentation James' speech ran short! Luckily it was recovered by Neil Hawkins with his talk about a model of a fibre optic. Now Robert Leather stepped into the spotlight and impressed us all with his improvisation as his glass rod refused to melt in time with his presentation, but the boys battled on through these minor hiccups. Michael Hunter rounded up with the idea of a fibre optic bundle. The boys seemed to be going strong, in fact at one point Dr Flynn even appeared to smile! The end came and the lads breathed a huge sigh of relief.

Now for the questions masterly answered by James Green. The rest finished their talks but no one stood out above the rest. It was going to be close. After what was an outrageously long delegation period we were assured we were all winners, and all received a physics book so crammed with information it defied the very laws it described. Then five palmtops were placed next to the judges, one for each winner; of course we were all winners just some more than others. It took all four of the others to hold James back from going to get one. Unfortunately the boys were left with a ringing in their ears after the Doppler effect team claimed the prize. The boys left dejectedly until they were given a free flashing bouncy ball, a calculator and a pen - suddenly the world seemed to have justice.

By Neil Hawkins and James Green

Community Volunteers

Over the last couple of years pupils in years 12 and 13 have voluntarily taken part in community based placements. This has involved contact with a wide variety of people and organisations in the Skipton area. Charities, community based organisations, care homes and individual people have all benefited from their help.

On Wednesday afternoons pupils give their time over to conservation work, linking up with local primary schools and welfare groups to help in many diverse ways. One pupil spent an afternoon playing Scrabble with a local pensioner after she had beaten all her usual opponents! Some pupils are placed in charity shops, others are placed in local hospitals or within charities to help with administration and other tasks.

The Community Volunteers began during the 2000-01 academic year with nine participants. It expanded to sixteen pupils in 2001-02 and for 2002-03 it has continued to expand with thirty-two pupils taking part. It has been pleasing to observe the positive work that all the volunteers have been involved in.

Moreover it has been interesting to see the benefits that pupils have derived both socially and personally from their experiences in the community.

M.S.P.

Book Loving Boys Pick The Winner!

Several book loving students at Ermysted's took part in a National Reading event. The Carnegie Medal is awarded annually by the Library Association for 'an outstanding book for children and young people'. A shadowing programme is organised for schools and reading groups who read all the shortlisted books and can then enter their opinions and votes on a website.

This year, nine pupils, aged thirteen, from Ermysted's joined the shadowing scheme, reading eight books in six weeks. The judging took place at their own 'Awards Lunch', where they decided on a winner, Terry Pratchett's 'Amazing Maurice and his Educated Rodents' which went on to scoop the national prize. "It's a very funny book, loosely based on the story of the Pied Piper of Hamelin, said organising teacher, Anna Lumb, "and the boys enjoyed the humour and the wacky and subversive storyline."

School Librarian, Jan Simmons said the reading group had been a great success. "All of the students have been very enthusiastic and they were discerning in their discussions of the books they enjoyed." Other popular titles from the shortlist were 'Love that Dog' by Sharon Creech and 'True Believer' by Virginia Euwer Wolff. "There's been such a range of books on the shortlist, exploring different time periods, from Ancient China to nineteenth century Oklahoma, we've really been taken to different worlds" said Ms Lumb, and we've all really enjoyed our reading!"

South Western Virginian Exchange

Last year I was selected, along with five other young people, by the Bradford Diocese to take part in their annual exchange visit to South-Western Virginia. The first week I stayed with host families in Roanoke, who helped me to settle in, as well as taking me to my first baseball game and to local places of interest.

We then flew to Laramie University, in Wyoming, to take part in a youth event involving 1400 American teenagers, from all Provinces of America. Our final week was spent on the Wind River Reservation, where we constructed an adventure playground for the local Indian children. In return the Indians accompanied us to a rodeo and on our final night performed the traditional pow-wow, wearing full Indian dress.

To assist with the fundraising for this amazing trip, the school had awarded me the Iain McLeod Memorial Prize.

Mark Ashton

EGS Jubilee Non-Uniform Day

On Jubilee Day Form 7K held a cake and bun stall for Dr Barnado's Children's Charity. Some of the cakes and buns were decorated in red, white and blue, the colours of the union Jack. There was also a jar of Smarties and you had to guess the number to win it. David Brame won with a guess of 331 – there were 333. We sold cakes at break and lunchtime and raised £60.

James Walker 7K

Not That Lot Again!!!

This year, sadly for the last time, we, the GCSE Business Studies pupils ran Greenfingers. This involves us selling bedding plants to the public. While canvassing the estates, we had so much fun.....

Jimmy Hart made a woman cry with his overpowering strength and bellowing voice. He tried to be persuasive, as his need for the prize for most orders became too great for him to handle. But things got out of hand and Jimmy turned into a tyrant.

Along with that there were the usual niceties and greetings from the people that didn't want plants, such as "Sorry we're going on holiday", as they unloaded their belongings from the removal van and into the house!! Mostly it was "We've sent it by post" but just "Go away!!" remarks were not unknown. We were rather understaffed because of the Simbach trip, Steve Mann's pathetic excuse that he was having his tonsils out and Matt Brennand's 'poorly toe'!!!! But we soldiered on and easily beat last year's total for plant orders.

On the Friday prior to the day, the plants had arrived in school and we all helped unload them and set them out in order number. It was a long day and but for the kind and patient approach of Mr Sykes, Mr Fryer and Mr Gill things could have become fraught and fractious. Then came Greenfingers day itself, the highlight of which must have been the lady who came and offered her apologies but she was going on holiday, and asked "Could you possibly look after the plants for me"? This seemed a harmless enough suggestion but then we found out that she was away for a month!!

As usual it absolutely chucked it down on Greenfingers day, and so during the spells of rain, the plant stall was moved back and forth from the quad to the vending area and back again. Still, it gave Dan Holdsworth something to do!

As usual a major highlight was the appearance of the silly names of some of our customers, they shall of course remain nameless but there were some crackers!

All of the plants eventually reached their destinations, one way or another. We were paid massive wages (not) for our great efforts but Mr. Sykes kept muttering something about it all being about education and how we'd all benefit from the great coursework that it allows us to complete. He's all heart!

Matthew Botham and Stuart Chadwick

Year 7 Rounders Tournament

All the non-cricketers took part in a rounders tournament on Thursday, 18th July at the fourth try – weather, primary school sports and YEDL lectures on the dangers of electricity having foiled earlier attempts.

The weather was excellent – sunshine, warmth and a few cloudy spells. Four teams took part playing each other in a round-robin. Innings were timed at 15 minutes each. There were displays of skill as well as enthusiasm with team A – otherwise known as "Hammerheads" taking the wooden spoon.

The outright winners with three clear victories were team C – appropriately named as "Bats, balls and rocking rounders"! A small chocolate prize was presented to each of the team members.

LK

Mathematics Challenge

There were over 160, 000 entries with the top 6% gaining gold; 13% a silver and 21% a bronze. 40 Year 10 students were entered in the challenge with 11 gaining gold; 11 silver and 10 Bronze. In doing so through sponsorship they raised over £700 for local charities. Best in school was Robert Anderson, he received a gold certificate along with Ben Leong; Chris Pollitt; Ben White; Andrew Bailey; Mark Taylor, Luke Charnley, Jack Eyre; James Brunskill, Tariq Hassan and Daniel Holdsworth.

Biology Olympiad

In the British Biology Olympiad Matthew Maude (Y13) won one of only 24 Gold awards; Oliver Brewer and Edward Green won silver and Wayne Fradley and Ben Hibbins won bronze.

Chemistry Olympiad

In the 2002 International Chemistry Olympiad, out of a total of 667 entrants, Matthew Maude and Chris Rusius gained silver awards and Mark Stead a commendation.

6th Form Six-a-side Football Tournament

With England out of the World Cup, there was only one tournament to be seen at, the 6th Form Six-a-side Football Tournament. Out of the four teams in Group A, the Staff were undefeated, not conceding a single goal in the group stage with 12R managing to claw themselves through into second place. 12S emerged as a well-drilled outfit in Group B, also keeping clean sheets throughout their games and 12M scraped through on goal difference.

The first semi-final was between the Staff and 12M. At half time there had been no goals with both teams looking nervous. Then Mr Speak, who this year had decided to play in goals, chipped a hopeful looking ball up field. The ball bounced in front of Mr Blanchard who missed (perhaps dummied) the ball leaving what seemed a simple catch for 12M's goalkeeper Alex Murgatroyd. Then the unthinkable happened. The ball was fumbled into the net by the goalkeeper. A sheer fluke, just like Ronaldinho's goal that knocked out England put the staff ahead. 12M then pushed forward leaving space for the staff to go two up before a crisp finish by Luke Boatwright made sure there was a tense finish.

The second semi-final was a very tense affair. Both teams were desperate for a final against the Staff. At full time there had been very little in the way of chances, with both teams concentrating on a strong defence. Then, in golden goal extra time the game opened up. 12R's Fesser Hussain had a low shot tipped round the post, whilst 12S had two good one-on-one chances, but still no goals went in. There was then only one way left to decide the finalist, penalties. With too many missed penalties 12S, who had not conceded a single goal in open play, went out 2-1, 12R emerging victorious. By the way I was 12S's Goalkeeper.

The final was set. The Staff were to play 12R. A tense first half finished goalless with 12R regretting missed opportunities. Then, in the second half, Mr Blanchard picked up the ball and slotted home what proved to be the decisive goal. Once again the staff had emerged victorious. Is the school employing teachers on their football ability instead of how they teach? Well, no the teachers were just lucky.

Ben Heap 12S

Chess

This year we ran the School Qualifying tournament for the "British Land Chess Challenge 2002" Tournament. This involved a Swiss Chess system where people on equal points play each other throughout the 7 weeks of the tournament. 3 points are gained for a win, 2 for a tie and 1 for turning up but losing. The totals gained equate to various awards from badges, mascots and key rings to a trophy for the overall winner.

The qualifiers for the regional round needed to score at least 15 points and were: Luke Shepherd, Robert Stow, Omar Qattan, Nick Marshall, James Brunskill, James Merrell, Andrew Bailey.

Runner-up was Ben Blagden who gained 19 points out of a possible 21, as did the Championship winner Robert Anderson who gained a trophy.

Warhammer Club

Are you interested in Warhammer 40K or Lord of the Rings Warhammer? Would you like to battle or chat with other experienced hobbyists?

Come to the Warhammer Club – 1 hour after School on Mondays.

If possible bring an appropriate codex and have a full knowledge of the rules. Note: Models do not have to be painted to attend and membership is free.

School Science Review

Ben Lister and James Green (both Y12) attended the National Conference of the Student Review of the Science Committee which took place in March. This Conference forms part of the national review of the KS3/4 Science Curriculum. Those in attendance were senior representatives of all the examining bodies, QCA, The Nuffield Foundation, Baroness Ashton on behalf of the government, representatives from the professional bodies as well as professors of Education from several universities. Also in attendance was Sam Ford (Y12) who was selected to give evidence to a Select Committee of the Science and Technology Committee of the House of Commons who are currently conducting an inquiry into Science Education from 14-19. The Select Committee was keen to hear directly from students about their personal experience of the science curriculum.

School Notes and Miscellanea

The School has a new trophy - to be awarded each year. This results from the awarding of Merit points to pupils in Years 7 to 9. The pupil who received the most merit points this year - 12 in total - was Chris Greenwood from 7M. Runner up was Ben Rusius with 9, closely followed by Morgan Blizzard and James Januszewski.

On a non-uniform day over £500 was raised for the National Children's Home.

Curriculum changes

All boys in Year 7 now study both German and French. Latin will be introduced in Year 8 September 2002. On Tuesdays we introduced a nine period day (each of 35 minutes as opposed to 7 x 40mins + 1 x 35mins). The start of School, lunch time and the end of day bell remained unchanged. This proved unpopular and from September 2002 all days will have eight periods.

This year, for the first time, universities not only had the outcome of GCSE results and a school reference to hand, but also results from AS modules taken at the end of Year 12. These will have influenced many offers received from UCAS, particularly in cases where pupils applied for popular and oversubscribed courses.

Over recent years, Information Technology has played an increasingly important part, not only across the academic curriculum but also in the administration of the School. We have seen the recent expansion in terms of facilities of a second IT Room and a further one is planned in our new building and, in addition, the School Office has benefited from updated software to assist with the management of the vast amount of pupil information that is required nowadays. Mr Hardiman has been released from some of his teaching commitments and will oversee the ICT systems in school. As a consequence we have made a new appointment for next September in Mr Greenfield, an experienced graduate who has had considerable ICT experience in industry. His appointment has enabled us to offer IT as an AS subject in Year 12 from September 2002.

The combined collection of Tesco Coupons this year and last lead to the School receiving one computer and a digital camera.

Admissions - following the tests for entry into Year 7 for next September, there were 131 boys to whom places could have been offered. Letters were sent to 87 successful applicants at the beginning of March of whom 50 were resident in-catchment, representing 57% of our intake and 27.9 % of eligible boys, the largest percentage in recent years. Whilst it is pleasing to note that the School is popular and oversubscribed, it is disappointing that this year there is a large number of able out-catchment boys who cannot be accommodated.

As a consequence of the building work, the entrance into School that leads to the School Office will be closed to all traffic from September 2002 except for that involved with the construction work. A temporary car park has been excavated on the 'bottom' between the two drives for staff vehicles. Pupils will have to park off-site.

On Friday 31st May there was a Red, White and Blue day for the Queen's Golden Jubilee. Each boy received a Jubilee Crown in a commemorative wallet. This was financed by the School Foundation.

Culled From the Corridors

On the Year 7 Lake District Trip:

"Sir, if you walk over the fell, is that the high level route or the low level route?"

Entry in the signing out book:

"American Fries" - we thought he had gone for CHIPS! He actually went to Merritt and Fryers for some wood for his CDT lesson!

50 Years Ago – 1951/1952

Head master was Mr M.L. Forster. Head of School was M.G. Liddle.

On February 7th a special service was held in Big School in memory of His Majesty King George the Sixth. Most of those present had been born in the late King's reign.

The School War Memorial Fund stood at £4,000 – a figure “where one might begin to think of the possibility of building a school hall.”

The arrival of the BBC was the highlight of the year. They were in school to record a 50 minute transmission for Children's Hour (Northern Edition) on Sunday January 27th entitled “Historic Schools of the North – I”, the first in a new series of “Other People's Schools”. An Old Boy, the Rev. E.W. Heaton, Dean of Caius College, Cambridge is revisiting his old school. All parts in the dramatic episodes were played by members of the school. Miss Bertha Lonsdale, the script writer had been to the school on several occasions to confer with Mr Forster and Mr Gibbon and once to see the matinee of “Henry IV”. The script comprised dramatic episodes from the history of the school based on Mr Gibbon's book, interviews with people of the present and “flashes” from school activities such as prayers, the play, a class and so on.

The Jazz Band made a recording for the BBC which was broadcast on March 15th. The leader B. Bamber (first trumpet), was supported by R. Hudson (second trumpet), G.Kippax (guitar), G.Kay (drums), M. Bell (bass) and P.U. Tillotson (piano).

The choir recorded carols in the Parish Church for the Skipton Round Table's Christmas Tree fund.

The Cross Country Concert was described as “crowded, soon became noisy, later became steaming hot.”!

A “television receiving set” was installed in School House purchased by the boys and masters with help from some Old Boys.

The charge for the Chronicles was raised to 1s. 6d. The Old Boys' dinner was held in the Devonshire Hotel, Skipton.

“The use of the school blazer has become general, greatly improving the collective appearance. Too often, however, the smart appearance of the blazer is marred by an undersized and sometimes dirty cap perched precariously on one side of the head. Can something be done about this fashion which has long been carried beyond the point of absurdity?”

The high jump pit near the cricket pavilion was completed. Most of the work was done by two boarders, J. Schofield and J.C. Balme although they were helped by many boys from School House.

On speech day Mr G.B. Drayson, M.P. for the Skipton Division, presented the prizes. He urged the boys to take every opportunity to travel abroad and told them “not to neglect the Empire for they still had a splendid Commonwealth and Empire where there were many opportunities open to an Englishman.”

25 Years Ago - 1976/1977

Headmaster was Mr J.H. Woolmore. Head of School was Darrell Brayshay with a deputy in M. Hollingworth. Heads of Houses were N.J. Watts (S), S.J.C. Dixon (E), A. Massey (P), I. Thompson (T), M.S. Mitchell (H) and C. Smith (C).

There was “an increased measure of co-operation between Ermysted's and the Girls' High School. Several girls took part in the school play and, on the academic side, one girl is taking her 'A' level Maths course with the lower sixth at Ermysted's.” [In September 2002 two girls started 'A' level maths – Ed.] The [Joint] Sixth Form society was reconstituted and events included Hockey and Basketball fixtures, a Balloon Debate and a trip to the ice rink.

“Local Government reorganisation and the redrawing of boundaries has resulted in Barnoldswick and Earby joining Lancashire, and it has been decided, that from September 1976, boys from West Craven shall no longer be admitted to Ermysted's.”

“Through the generosity of the Parents' Association and the School Governors, the school now possesses a Colour Television Set and a Video Cassette Recorder.”

The school play was “The Devil's Disciple” by George Bernard Shaw produced by Mr Douglass and Mr Osborne. There were four performances, two in the evening and two matinees – one for SGHS. For the boys show there was an option of either watching the show or doing Games.

The Christmas concert took the form of a performance by the combined choirs and strings of SGHS and EGS, of Benjamin Britten's cantata “Saint Nicolas”.

Trevor Edwards retired after 37 years service to the school.

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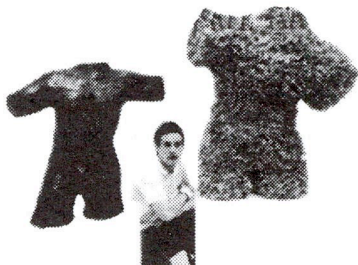
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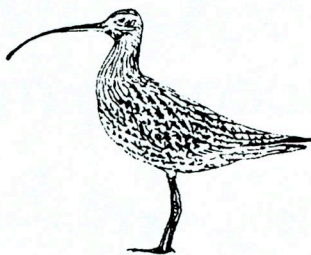
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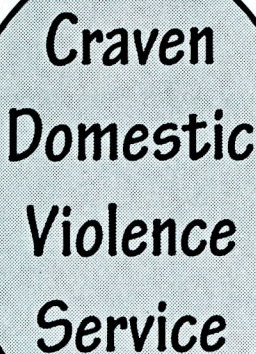
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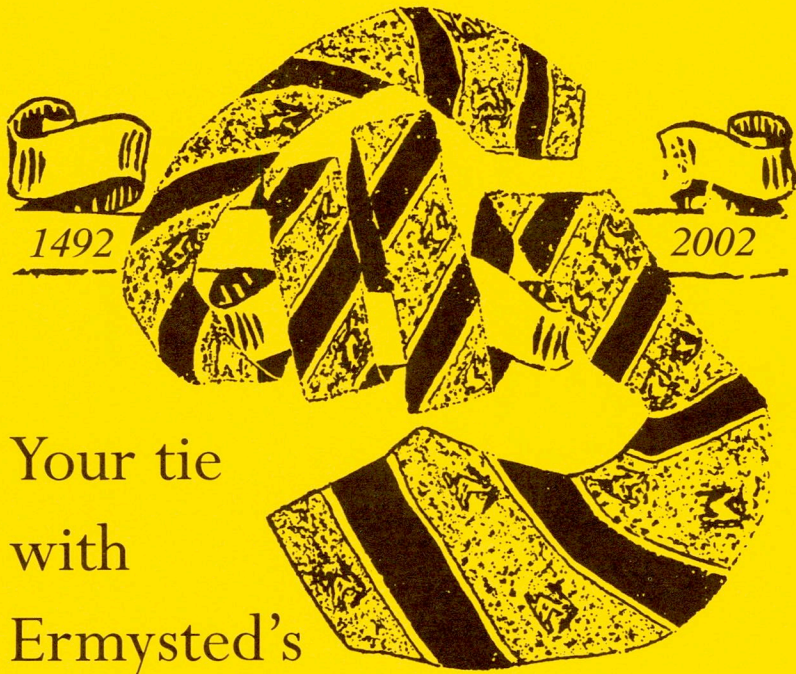
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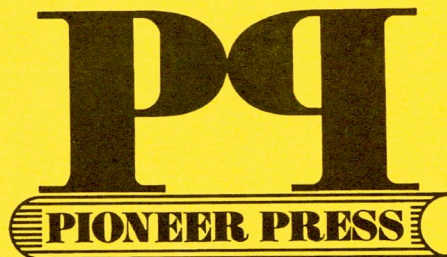
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