

# The Chronicles of Ermysted

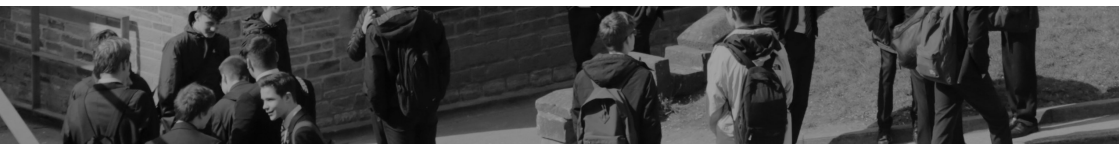
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## Headmaster's Report

Welcome to the latest instalment of the Chronicles of Ermysted. In the following pages you will be able to read about many exciting developments at the School and gain a sense of what life is like at Ermysted's.

There have been many changes over the past few years, but if you were to visit the School today, you would find much that is still familiar; indeed, I hope you will always be able to recognise the School and the values it stands for. During the past year, the themes of recent times continued, albeit at a slightly reduced level: the waves of the curriculum reforms began to ebb away; the financial storm began to abate, slightly; so it looks as if the good ship Ermysted's has made it safely through.

Through this time the School has continued to offer a unique educational experience to its pupils. Our core subjects always perform well but the strength of our offer lies in its breadth: Art, Latin and Music remain firmly ensconced in our curriculum; MFL numbers are growing; the Humanities are proving more popular than ever; and the following pages will provide testimony to the strength of the extra-curricular offer at the School. In providing this programme, we were fortunate to have the support of our wider community. Our parents and alumni made significant contributions during the year, enriching and extending the experience of the pupils and supporting the work of the staff and governors. We are very grateful for their help.

For their part, the pupils worked hard for their success in 2018 and fully deserve our praise. Interestingly, the range of leavers' destinations grows each year and the students' subject choices are becoming increasingly diverse. Engineering remains the most-popular option, with medicine and economics not far behind; but we have our share of artists, philosophers and musicians too. A growing number are opting for the apprenticeship route, where applications for the best vacancies are as fiercely contested as any university course. Whatever and wherever our pupils' destinations, however, I am sure you will join me in wishing them all the best of luck. We can be very proud of them!



**Michael Evans**, Headmaster





## Head Boy's Report

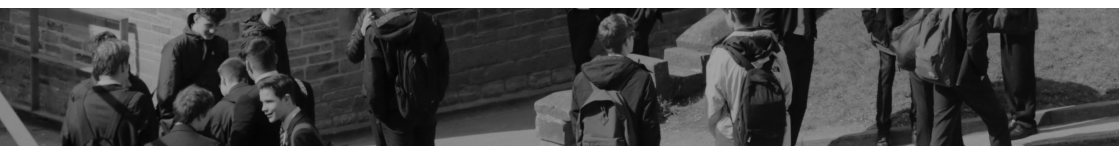
Time passes quickly. If there is one thing that I notice as I sit down to write this article, it is how fast not only my final year but my whole time at Ermysted's has gone by. Although I am excited for the future and to be moving on from school to whatever may be next, I am sure that I will miss Ermysted's. The comradeship forged throughout the seven years I have studied here has equipped me well for the rest of my life and I know that, not all but, many of these friendships will last for a very long time.

I've learnt a lot from my time at Ermysted's, not just academic knowledge but in my opinion much more valuable: the knowledge of relationships and how to deal with people: interpersonal skills. If I had not been equipped with such skills throughout my years in lower school; overseeing more than 50 prefects this last year, trying to get the best out of everyone, whilst also negotiating both the students' and staff's expectations and desires, would have been almost impossible. I owe enormous thanks to the entire cohort of prefects and especially those part of the Senior Prefect Team, who have all worked hard this year.

As I look back over my seven years at this school I can also reflect on how much Ermysted's as an institution has shaped my character and facilitated, not only a huge growth but, a flourish personally and an accomplishment of feats that seemed to my younger self distant and almost impossible. The mind-set built at Ermysted's is one which I am yet to find elsewhere. From my experience, the school has a unique way of acting incredibly calm in apprehensive situations and circumstances, with a confidence to achieve the very best out of those situations. Quite why this ethos is present at Ermysted's I do not know, but it is one which has dramatically shaped my approach to problems and dilemmas, and one which the school should indeed be proud of. This attitude has given both myself and many of my peers a confidence in themselves to try new things; to branch out and to question those in authority those with power and not to be overwhelmed by their position. Students learn to build genuine goals and to aim for the absolute best that they can and, more often than not with the hard work that is required, achieve those goals.

Ermysted's has truly given so much to me and my friends and I do honestly wonder who I would be today if I had not attended the school. It has been an enormous pleasure to serve the school as Head Boy and to donate back to an institution which has supplied me with some of the best years of my life. I'd like to thank all of the staff who have worked incredibly hard and continue to do so, and who have made my time here so enjoyable. I doubt I will ever forget the fond memories I have of Ermysted's, it is a community which I have loved being a part of: and one which I hope to ensure I remain part of for the rest of my life.

**Jonny Macha**, Head Boy 2017-18



## Senior Prefect Team



Ermysted's Grammar School

Head Boy, Deputy Head Boys and

House Captains 2017-18



Back row (left to right)

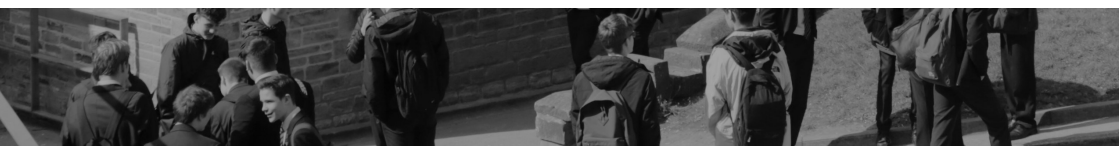
**Arjun Patel, Matthew Hayes, John Burn**

Middle row (left to right)

**Aamir Rafiq, Tom Downs, Lewis Baxter, Harvey Newiss, Daniel Arnott**

Front row (left to right)

**Matthew Paul, Jonny Macha, Charlie Lowrie, Jack Lister**



## School Governors

<b>Mr A G Barrett</b>	Chair of Governors
<b>Mr A M Davies</b>	Vice Chair of Governors
<b>Mr H G Cutler</b>	Co-optative Foundation Trustee
<b>Dr S Humphrey</b>	Co-optative Foundation Trustee
<b>Mrs J Lloyd</b>	Co-optative Foundation Trustee
<b>Mrs S E Stockton</b>	Co-optative Foundation Trustee
<b>Mrs D Swiffen</b>	Co-optative Foundation Trustee
<b>Mr J E Taylor</b>	Co-optative Foundation Trustee
<b>Mr C Worts</b>	Co-optative Foundation Trustee
<b>Mr S Clarkson</b>	Representative Governor (NYCC)
<b>Ms S Butt</b>	Parent Governor
<b>Mr S Flanagan</b>	Parent Governor
<b>Mrs H F Adamson</b>	Co-opted Governor
<b>Ms S Trelease</b>	Co-opted Governor
<b>Dr C Merrall</b>	Staff Governor



## Staff News

**Mr Steven Howarth** first joined Ermysted's as a pupil on August 30 1972 as a member of Petyt House. Mr Howarth returned to Ermysted's as a teacher in September 1993, and became Head of History in 1999. In September 2016, he swapped this role to take responsibility as the Head of PSHE.



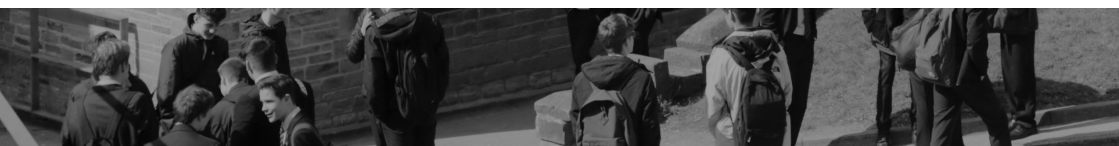
For 25 years Mr Howarth has shared his enthusiasm for History, supporting and guiding students to achieve their potential. Mr Howarth has been instrumental in researching the Masters and boys who fell in WWI. To this day the book which he wrote is used by pupils to develop their understanding of the importance of remembrance. We wish Mr Howarth all the best for his retirement.



**Mr Roger Humphreys** has impressive connections with Ermysted's Grammar School, being an Old Boy and pupil of the school. He retired from teaching in August 2018 at the end of a long and successful career that has spanned his working life.

Roger returned to Ermysted's in 2005 taking up the role of Head of Modern Languages. He had previously taught French and German at Stamford School in Lincolnshire for three years and at Leeds Grammar school for eighteen years. Roger spent thirteen years at Ermysted's and during that time the MFL department gained recognition for its high achievement across grammar schools nationally. Roger's contribution to this success was significant and, under his leadership, the teaching of French and German at Ermysted's has gone from strength to strength.

Roger contributed extensively to the co-curricular life of the school through German exchange visits and school cross country. His sense of humour and linguistic ease resonated with pupils and staff alike. To use his own words; Mr Humphreys 'Du bist eine Maschine'.





**Mrs Helen Adamson** joined the school as a cover supervisor in 2007 but took on a number of roles including governor, Assistant Head of Key Stage 4 and Assistant Head of Sixth Form. Her background in nursing made her a valuable asset when dealing with older boys, and her straight-forward approach made our new Sixth Form building an orderly and friendly place to work. She served on the PA for many years, having had three sons pass through the school. Her contribution to Ermysted's cannot be over-stated as all boys will have encountered her incredible industry, energy and desire to help.

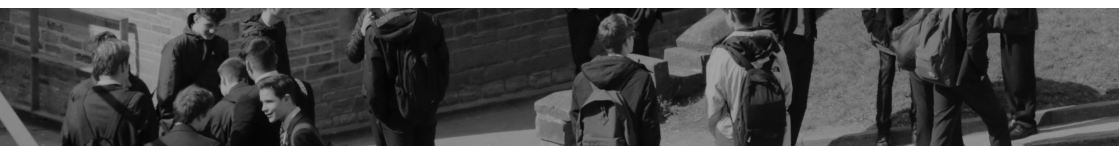
**Dr Christine Merrall** joined the school as part-time Biology teacher in 2005, combining this role with Assistant Head of Sixth Form in 2016. Eventually she curtailed the teaching aspect altogether in order to concentrate on the pastoral side. Her skills as a referee and UCAS operator were invaluable, and the support she offered to many students, and some staff, was always fully appreciated. Memorably, she regaled the Sixth Form with a remarkable rendition of Search for the Hero Inside Yourself in her final assembly, demonstrating her boldness and sincere concern for the well-being of everyone she came across.



**Mr Michael Greenwood** was a former student of Ermysted's, and was always an entertaining source of information about past events and how much life at the school has changed.

Mr Greenwood left Ermysted's at the end of the year to join a school in the Midlands and we wish him every success with his new post.

**Mrs Clare Voelcker** joined Ermysted's in autumn 2016. Despite only a short tenure at the school, Mrs Voelcker made a notable contribution to many areas of mathematics within the school, teaching classes from Year 7 through to Year 13. We are particularly grateful for her contributions towards the development of the Year 7 Kangaroo maths curriculum, and she will be missed by staff and students alike.





**Mr David Edmondson** joined Ermysted's in September 2000 as a teacher of Design and Technology following a short period working at Queensbury School in Bradford. Mr Edmondson had a love of electronics which he had employed in a number of different vocations, following school, he trained as an engineer, working on farm machinery and tractors, subsequently spent a number of years at sea, working in engineering and electronics on warships. Mr Edmondson's love of machinery and design was infectious, inspiring numerous students to follow an engineering path by studying both Systems and Control at GCSE and Design Engineering at 'A' Level; both courses were very successful and are still a reason why so many pupils leave Ermysted's to study Engineering. Mr Edmondson was also instrumental in enabling so many of our students to become Arkwright Scholars', a programme which identifies and nurtures future leaders in Engineering and design; his passion, enthusiasm and expertise will be sorely missed. Mr Edmondson has always been an enthusiastic sportsman; he leaves us to join his wife, Tracy, developing and expanding her Pilates and fitness business. We wish him all the best for his future career.

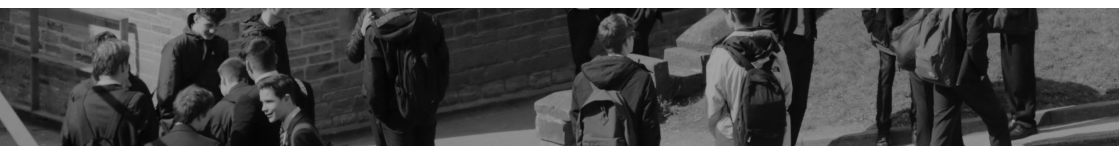
**Dr Sara Dyer** joined Ermysted's in autumn 2016, bringing with her a wealth of expertise and experience. As a senior examiner for a GCSE maths course she was able to make many contributions to the faculty and of course her students benefitted directly.

It is a credit to Dr Dyer that she made such an impact in a short space of time, so much so that her Year 13 class named their online chat group "Dr Dyer's Disciples" after her. She will be missed.



**Mrs Cathy Spencer** joined the Humanities Faculty in September 2018. As a Year 7 form tutor Mrs Spencer was able to nurture and support pupils into life at Ermysted's.

As a passionate Religious Studies teacher, Mrs Spencer was able to share her enthusiasm with pupils. We wish Mrs Spencer all the best for the future.





# Faculty Review

## Creative Arts

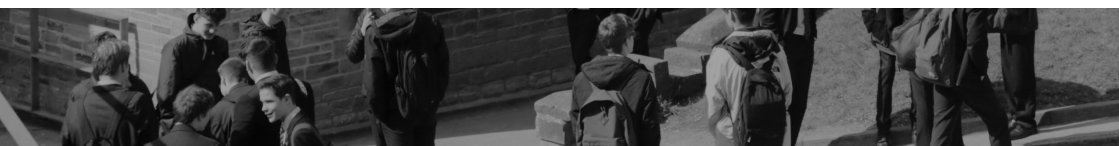
It has been a busy year in the Creative Arts Faculty, with new teaching staff arriving and some very well established staff moving on. Yet again, our boys continue to be successful in a number of different events, sporting, technology based competitions, cookery competitions and of course through music concerts.

Success on the field came in cross country, via the White Rose rugby festival, in senior football and particularly in rugby 7's where the 1st VII were undefeated all season. Mr Duerden continues to have the Midas touch at the Gargrave technology tournament, where his talented engineers stole the show once again. Mrs Taylor's food tournament (for which I always seem to find myself being the judge...), produced restaurant standard food once again; our Art exhibition, hosted on open evening is mesmerising, with the quality of work produced being consistently excellent. Last but not least, our musicians show just what can be done with commitment and hard work. If you have been lucky enough to attend any one of their performances, you will see young men (and women, from SGHS) working symbiotically to produce the most magical, toe-tapping sounds.

Perhaps the biggest change that we face within the creative subjects is the requirement to teach the EBACC, however the new school timetable from next year will mean that students will still have the freedom to choose the subjects that excite them, including those creative subjects which are important to so many of us. The challenge is an exciting one, but one which a forward thinking school has embraced and it is rewarding to work in a school where the arts are valued.

We are very proud of the positive atmosphere which exists within the Faculty, all students are encouraged to be the best that they can be year on year. We continue to have representatives in a number of different activities and disciplines performing and competing at local, regional national and international level. Regardless of ability, to all our students who dare to be creative, congratulations on your achievements and thank you, we are very proud of you all.

**Mr Douglas**



# Faculty Review

## Creative Arts

### *Music*

A need for more extra-curricular music groups meant that the Training Band, Choir and Brass Group were added to the Light Orchestra and school Swing Band back in 2015. They have since become regular features of music in the school, and have also performed concerts outside school.

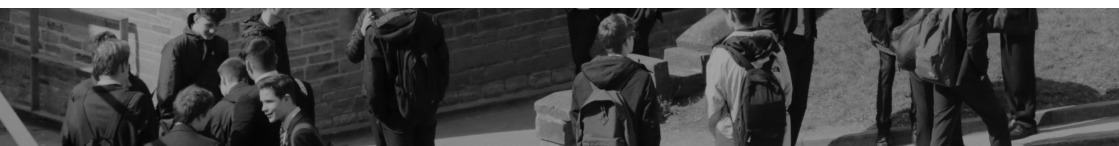
Student conductors ensure that the school's ensembles are truly about the students. They conduct all rehearsals and concerts and along with 'Section Leaders' are responsible not only for the groups but training junior players. Students from SGHS join us in our ensembles and we have started a joint



orchestra with the aim of running a group of 20 to 25 players. In addition to school concerts, we took part in events at 'The Platform' in Morecambe, Hetton Methodist Chapel, SGHS, Keelham Farm Shop, Morrisons, Gardens in Gargrave and Addingham Gala.

The annual House Music competition took place in October. Toller was the overall winner, although there were strong entries from the other houses and some extremely good musicianship was demonstrated. The amount of effort that Toller mustered to win the competition was - in the words of the adjudicator - 'tremendous'. The competition was adjudicated by Mrs Anne Heaton, Deputy Director of North Yorkshire Music Service, mother of Old Boy Max Heaton, and a former member of staff at Ermysted's. Amongst the more memorable moments of the competition was when Mrs. Heaton led the Year 9 participants in a performance of '500 Miles' by The Proclaimers.

**Dr Cloke**





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## Humanities

### *Geography*

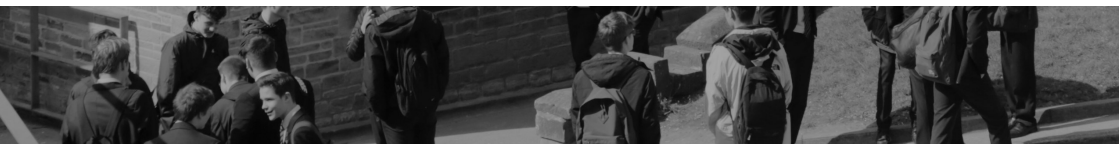
In September 2017, the Humanities Faculty welcomed Mr McWilliam to the Economics team. Can Mrs Suter get any more enthusiastic about teaching? Yes she can! From teaching Geography, and now also Economics, she also has taken on the role as Assistant Head of Faculty.

Fieldwork at Ermysted's plays a key role in developing our pupils' understanding of the natural processes. The faculty would like to thank the Parent's Association for their support in the funding of fieldwork equipment.

In late September, with woolly hats and rain coats at the ready, Year 9 Geography pupils ventured to Austwick to investigate the Norber Erratics. This gave an opportunity for boys to learn about the different glacial landforms, develop their map skills, and conduct a chemistry experiment to test the acidity of the rocks. Above: freeze-thaw and biological weathering on the scar left by the glacier.

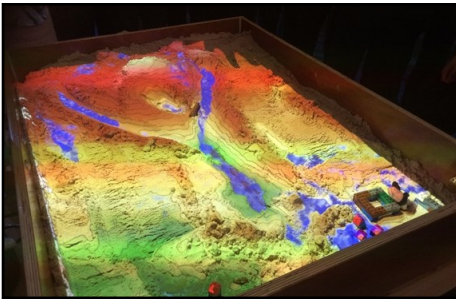


Left and above: Year 10 pupils complete their GCSE Rivers field work at Clapham





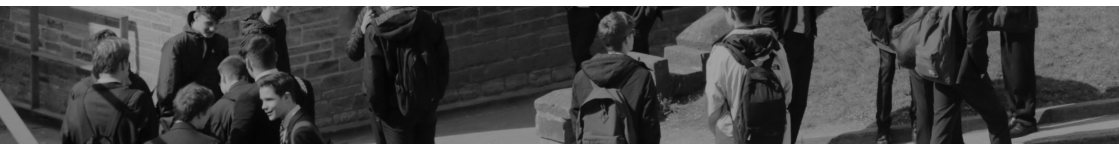
Left and below: Year 12 pupils conduct a beach profile survey in the glorious sunshine at Walney Island, Barrow-in-Furness in July 2018.



Want a career in Flood Management? A visit from JBA engineering gave students an opportunity to learn and understand the role of modelling and augmented reality in planning flood defences. With a hands on approach, students were able to move the sand to see how the projected contour lines could match the relief to show the flow of water.

### *History*

This year brought a visit overseas for the 1918-2018 Centenary of World War I. Year 9 pupils visited the cemeteries of World War I, where they were able to reflect on all those who had sacrificed their life for the freedom we enjoy today. The photograph overleaf shows the Menin Gate, where every evening a ceremony take place to remember the fallen. Three pupils from Ermysted's were





given the honour of laying a wreath. We would like to thank the Skipton branch of the Royal British Legion for providing a wreath.

### *Religious Studies*

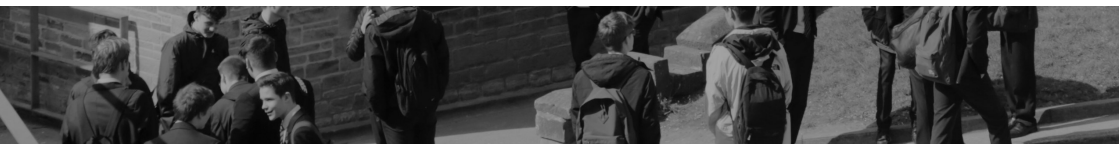
Year 12 pupils had the opportunity to listen and participate in a range of ethical and philosophical topics during a drop down day in June. From the ethical issues of law to debating the role of religion - How can one believe in God amidst so much suffering? Visitors included representatives from Oxfam, Police & Crime Commission, and Manorlands. There was also an interesting topic on offer from Leeds University on 'The history and ethics of human-animal chimeras/hybrids'.

### *Economics*

On Friday 6 July, the school was very pleased to receive a presentation by a representative of the Bank of England, as part of the Bank's outreach programme for Sixth Form students.

The presentation was given by Dr Stephen Millard, Senior Economist at the Bank and Visiting Professor of Economics at the University of Durham. The principal audience was Year 12 students studying A-Level Economics, however students with an interest in the issues although not taking Economics were also invited to attend.

Dr Millard began with a brief history of the evolution of the Bank from its creation in 1694 through to its contemporary role as the UK's central bank where it is independent from government and primarily tasked with maintaining price stability at 2%. Dr Millard then proceeded to explain the Bank's role in the development and application of monetary policy:

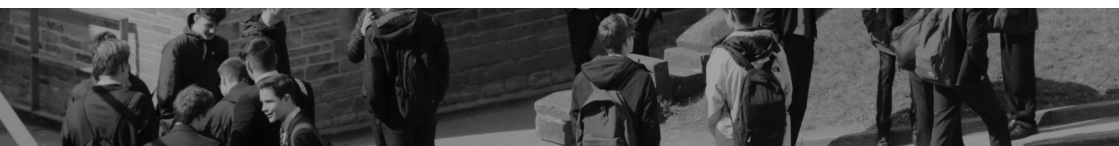


how it limits money supply and how it controls the base rate of interest according to current macroeconomic stability via the Bank's Monetary Policy Committee. Dr Millard also explained the role the Bank played in helping the UK economy overcome the problems caused by the financial crash in 2008 through its policy of interest rates and quantitative easing, as well as the steps the Bank has taken to prevent a future monetary crisis such as the development of the Bank's Financial Policy Committee and its Prudential Regulation Authority.

Following his presentation, Dr Millard then took questions from the audience. Students asked questions covering a wide range of topics such as the role of the gold standard, helicopter money, the role of LIBOR – the London Inter-bank Offered Rate - and, inevitably, the Bank's role in ensuring stability during Brexit. Afterwards, Dr Millard commented on how pleased he was with the quantity and quality of questions asked by students.

Overall, I'm sure that all students found it a compelling presentation and will be able to incorporate the ideas and issues into their future thinking and work.

**Max Walker 6PC**



# Faculty Review

## Languages

### *Classics*

The department has continued to work as a one-man band, teaching Latin to all of Year 8 and Year 9. The Cambridge Latin course is used, which has an emphasis on teaching the boys about Roman civilisation and culture as well as the language. A group has been recruited to start GCSE Latin in Year 10.

The Year 11 Latin group finished the specification for the WJEC GCSE Latin course. This course has an enlightened approach to set text teaching and has a dictionary provided in the final examination and a complete copy of the texts studied. It also provides a very wide range of online materials to assist students in their preparation.

The Year 13 Latin group finished the new specification for A-Level Latin. There is a wide range of reading in this course, covering historiography, epic and elegiac poetry and the authors Tacitus, Livy, Ovid and Virgil. The students thoroughly enjoyed this variety. One student has applied to study Classics at university.

The Year 13 Classical Civilisation group finished the old specification, studying epic poetry, ancient comedy, and Greek tragedy. The Year 13 students in Latin and Greek displayed real enthusiasm and commitment over their two years.

The department has now moved to E2. All resources have been transferred. Displays are now up.

### **Mr Llewellyn**

### *English*

The academic year 2017-18 saw curriculum change in English as fully embedded. The new GCSE and A-Level courses in English Language and English Literature have been delivered by teachers in full and the new grading system has been implemented at KS4. Much work had gone into preparing these courses and staff have worked tirelessly to create engaging and challenging content for students to experience. The success of all the hard work from students and staff alike came with the subject's highest ever student outcomes and value-added at KS4, boosting the overall headline figures for the school. Equally, student outcomes at KS5 were impressive





and testament to the success of the hard work by students, the curriculum design and delivery by the English teachers.

This year has proved an exciting one as far as English enrichment is concerned. Year 11, in its entirety, went to the Alhambra theatre in Bradford to see Phil Daniels (of Blur's 'Parklife' fame) in the title role of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde. Re-set in Edinburgh, R L Stephenson's birthplace, the production used the Edinburgh and Glasgow accents to show the primeval side to Jekyll's character. Year 11 were pretty excited by the production and its quirky rendition of the 'Strange Case'. It was a great opportunity to see a GCSE Literature set text on the stage and to be able to discuss the interpretation. In September we are off to see 'An Inspector Calls' in York; 100 KS4 students on a Friday evening – fabulous!

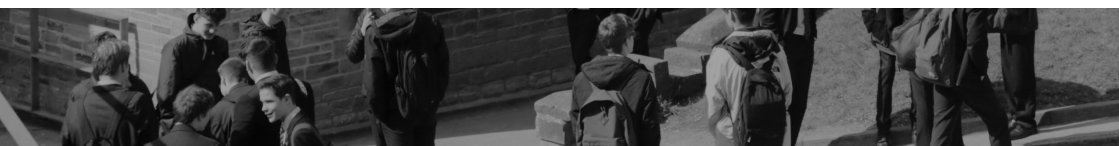
Year 8 have visited the Warner Brothers Studios in Watford and are now eager film-makers, having seen the secrets of the trade. The investment in reading at KS3 is evidenced by the participation of KS3 students in the Carnegie Award run by Mrs McCabe and Mrs Ibbotson. Independent reading sessions form part of our KS3 curriculum and are preparation also for the demands of independent reading at GCSE and A-Level. Mrs Spouse and the KS3 English teachers have worked very hard to review the KS3 schemes of learning in English and to use them to introduce students to the skills demanded by GCSE. Creativity, engagement and challenge have been our priority and the introduction of texts like 'War of the Worlds' and 'A Christmas Carol' to our Year 7 course show our commitment to variety, high challenge and the literary canon. Students have enjoyed the experiences these texts have offered them.

Year 12 were lucky enough to have the opportunity to visit Stratford upon Avon to see the RSC production of 'The Duchess of Malfi'. The visit was supported by a very generous donation by Brent Garner, an Old Boy of the school. The adventure incorporated a tour of the Midlands, courtesy of the school minibus drivers, Mesdames Price and Simms. The production, in the Swan Theatre, used to stage Shakespeare's contemporary writers, was blood-soaked and violent, in fact during the second half of the performance protective blankets were distributed to the audience to protect them from the blood-spilling. Not for the squeamish, yet a real insight into John Webster's vision of a world in chaos. In short, Year 12 loved it (and so did the minibus drivers!).

## **Mrs Price**

### *French*

The first groups to sit the new GCSE and A-Level exams in French have adapted well to the changes in the syllabus and felt well prepared for their exams this summer. Thomas Smith and





Samuel Owers look forward to continuing their French studies at Warwick and Cambridge University respectively. Promising progress has also been made at KS3 and there were some memorable sketches performed in Years 7-9 when the boys showed off their spoken French with their creative use of drama.

This year saw the French department return on our tenth visit to the Château de la Baudonnière in the beautiful Normandy countryside, and this visit took place during Enrichment Week for the first time. We enjoyed superb weather throughout our stay and this gave plenty of opportunity to explore and enjoy the extensive grounds of the Château. As ever, the boys profited from the immersion experience of participating in a wide range of activities all conducted in French, such as fencing, archery, aeroball and bread-making. Meal times and evening activities provided additional opportunities to speak French with several animateurs (young French activity leaders) who were able to inject a lot of fun into the proceedings! It was a real pleasure to see the boys develop their French so quickly and to see their confidence increase as the week went on.

### **Mrs Lagrange**

#### *German*

In August German celebrated outstanding results at both GCSE (100% A\*-C) and A-Level (100% A\*-C/86% A\*-B).

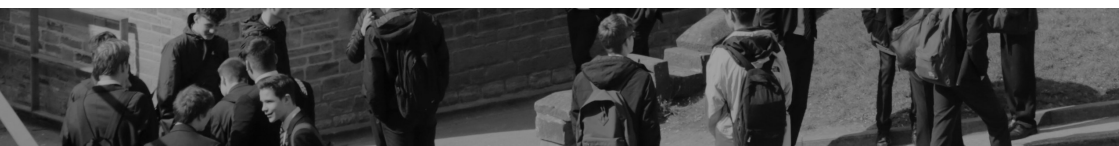
In September we welcomed our new French and German Assistants to the Faculty, both of whom have provided invaluable small group support for our A-Level (and in the case of French, Year 11) pupils, leading up to their Speaking examinations. Our German Assistant has also provided new pupils with no former knowledge of the language with lunchtime catch-up sessions.

In October two of our former Year 13s headed off to Oxford University, one to read German and French, the other German and Philosophy.

In July the Head of Languages at the University of Lancaster visited Ermysted's to deliver an informative talk to the Year 12 Germanists on Language courses on offer, including combinations with other disciplines such as History, Mathematics and Sciences, and Languages in the workplace.

Later in July one Year 12 pupil took up his work placement with a technical start-up company in Berlin. We look forward to hearing about his experiences upon his return – in German!

### **Mrs Warburton**



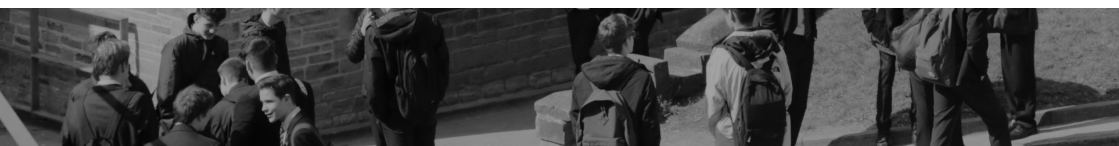
# Faculty Review

## Mathematics and Computing


It has been a busy year in the Mathematics and Computing Faculty, with new teaching staff, boys successful in a variety of different competitions, and has become the tradition, outstanding results across the faculty at both GCSE and A-Level.

As the new term began in September, we were joined by our summer signing from Ilkley Grammar School in the shape of Mr Onoszko. As some of you may already know, in addition to being an outstanding maths teacher, Mr Onoszko is a keen sportsman with a talent for football and cricket.

This year the Mathematics and Computing Faculty has once again been hugely successful in competitions including the National Cipher Challenge and those ran by the UKMT. In Junior, Intermediate and Senior UKMT challenges we collected a large haul of Bronze, Silver and Gold medals. Boys at both Junior and Intermediate UKMT levels also qualified for the Kangaroo and British Maths Olympiad. Highlights include the performance of our Year 8 & 9 team, who for the second year running reached the National Final of the UKMT Junior Team Challenge in London (see right), finishing 32nd out of some 1600 schools that entered (you can read more about this later in the publication). Special mention must also go to Alistair in Year 12 for making the second round of the British Mathematical Olympiad, and Mathew in Year 8 whose mark in the Junior Maths Olympiad placed him in the top 50 nationally.



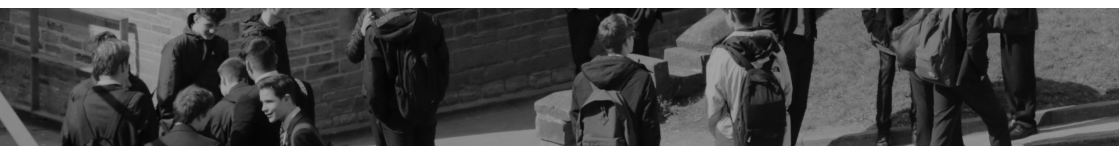




At the end of the summer term we will say a fond farewell to Dr Dyer and Mrs Voelcker. Both staff joined the school in the autumn 2016 term, bringing with them a wealth of experience from teaching maths over many years in other schools. Despite only a short tenure at the school, they have both made significant contributions to the Mathematics and Computing Faculty, and will be missed by staff and students alike.

I'm sure I wrote about the summer 2017 results in last year's Chronicles but they were so good that they're worth mentioning again. At A-Level there were numerous As and A\*s. In the new 9-1 GCSE, 33 boys achieved the very top grade of a Grade 9 and 33 a grade 8, whilst 82% gained at the very least a grade 7, which is the equivalent of an A grade in old money. We have high expectations for the summer 2018 results in mathematics and look forward to counting the new 8s and 9s in computing!

**Mr Justice**



# Faculty Review

## Science

The Science Faculty enjoyed another successful year. Year 11 students sat the first exams for the revised GCSE specifications and did extremely well. Over a quarter of those entered for the separate science GCSEs achieved the highest Grade 9, and many students meeting or exceeding their challenging target grades. All of the students should be very proud of how well they responded to the increased level of challenge. The new specifications meant the end of Controlled Assessments, with all the marks coming from the final exams.

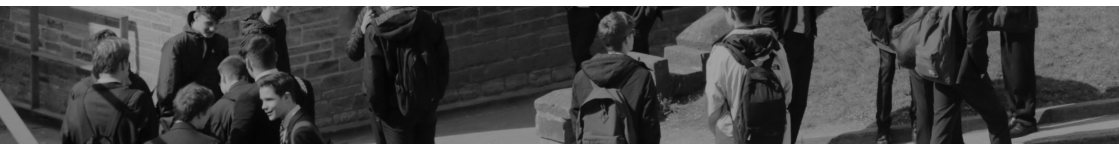
The number of students opting to study one or more of the sciences at A-Level continues to be very healthy. Year 13 students enjoyed continuing success in the second exam series of the revised A-Level specifications. All of the students achieved their practical endorsement showing that they have developed the practical skills needed to continue their science studies.

The Faculty said a fond farewell to Mr Greenwood who left at the end of the year to join a school in the Midlands and we wish him every success with his new post. As a former student of Ermysted's, Mr Greenwood was an entertaining source of information about past events and how much life at the school has changed. Dr Sobala and Mr Ellis joined the faculty to teach Chemistry and Physics respectively, bringing with them valuable experience from beyond the education system. Dr Gill left and then joined again, proving that Ermysted's is a difficult place to walk away from. Dr Smith was appointed as Senior Technician in May to oversee our hard-working technician team.

There were many successes in science competitions including in the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge with Copper Awards for Adith Jeyasangar in Year 10, and Ben Jackson, Harrison Lewis, Will Midgley and Hamza Waseem in Year 12. Silver awards went to Matthew Bleakley, Sam Curry and Sam Thom, and Gold Awards to Jamie Macdonald and Santosh Guru.

Jack Formoso in Year 10 was recognised for his achievements in Physics when he was nominated for the School Physicist of the Year Award run by The Ogden Trust. The award was presented to Jack by Professor Cliff Jones, from the School of Physics and Astronomy at The University of Leeds.

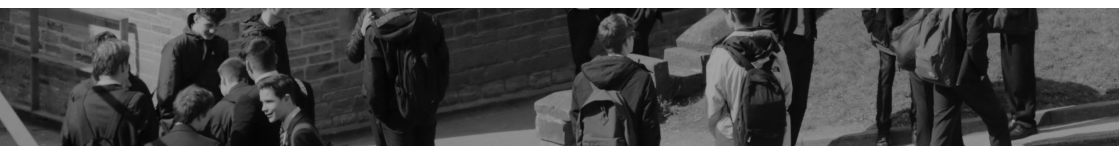
Twelve students in Year 8 were awarded a Bronze CREST Award. They drew conclusions from an investigation into acid rain in the local area that they planned and executed themselves.



Sean Acornley, Finlay Farrell, Jonty Hayward, James Hannigan, Will Oliver, Oliver Mann, Finn Molloy, Mike Shepherd, Alex Shepherd, Freddie Smith, Elliot Stones and Ed Whitlam all received certificates for their hard work.

Trips with a science theme this year included to Chester Zoo as part of Enrichment Week, and the Year 12 Biologists enjoyed a day of stream ecology at Malham. Year 7 students undertook a series of DNA based workshops as part of Enrichment Week.

### **Mr Herring**



## Cross Country Review

Another vintage season to add to the recent excellent tradition of Ermysted's cross country. Two teams won titles at the English Schools' Fell Running Championships where we were also 'Best Overall School', three out of five teams won at the Area Cross Country Championships, our seniors were runners-up at the prestigious Coventry Relays but pride of place goes to our Year 9 and 10 team who were crowned national champions in the final of the English Schools' Cross Country Cup competition. Add to that numerous fantastic individual performances and it really has been a superb year for the school.

At Bingley in our first race it was clear we were going to have another good season. We won the team event in all three categories with Alex, Sebastian and Joe making a clean sweep of the individual medals in the Intermediate age group.

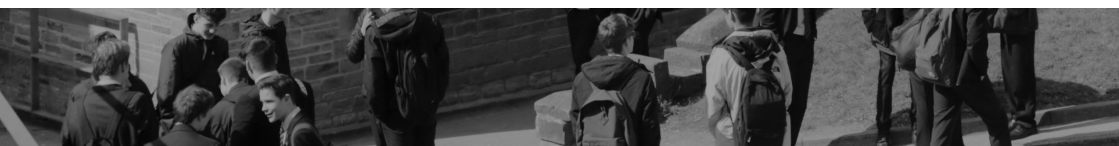
One of the best events of the year was also one of the first, as at this year's English Schools' Fell Running Championships, on Sunday, 24 September on the fells above Settle. This was the tenth



National Championship competition supported by the Fell Running Association and this year, hosted by Giggleswick School. It was a joy to come away with the Year 10, 11 and senior team titles, 3rd place for Year 7 and runners-up for the Year 8 and 9 team. Individually Alex gained a silver medal whilst Joe gained bronze in

the senior event. All this meant that the school won the cup for 'Best Overall School' It was also really good to see so many parents make the long journey and witness at first hand our students receiving their well-deserved plaudits, t-shirts and medals.

We sent teams to three out of the series of four Keighley & Craven cross country races and had some notable individual performances including race victories by cross country captain Jimmy ,





Joe and Jath. The Year 7 and 8 team won two events, as did the seniors whilst the Year 9 and 10 team won one of their races.

We went to Sedbergh's prep school, Casterton, in October for their annual invitation event. Donabhan gave his all to try and win the race but had to settle for silver. However, our next two finishers gave us the greatest pleasure as Rohan returned to the form of the end of last year to gain the bronze medal, only just ahead of a rapidly improving Freddie. The rest of our team's positions were a real positive for the future and we were easily first with 34 points for the total of the first five finishers.

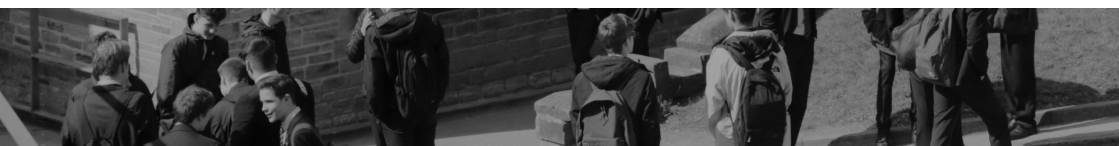


At the Harrogate & Craven Championships, held at Ripon Grammar School, we won three of the five boys' area team titles and as a result, 23 athletes were selected to run for Harrogate and Craven in January's County Championships, six of whom won medals with Harvey winning the Intermediate event.

At the County Championships in Ripon, Freddie (Year 7), Ben (Year 8), Joe (Year 10) and Joe (Year 12) became our newest county representatives as 14 boys gained county selection. When running for their county at the Individual English Schools' Cross Country Championships in Leeds in March, Joe won a gold team medal as he helped North Yorkshire win on the national stage, whilst Alex won team bronze in the Year 8 and 9 age group.

Unfortunately, events and the snow did interfere with the season as both the Manchester Relays and the Northern Schools events were cancelled. We even had to postpone our own relays but they were rearranged in April, where we had the fastest individual in each of the four age groups; Freddie (Year 7), Alex (Year 8 and 9), Sebastian (Year 10 and 11) and Jimmy (Year 12 and 13). Our teams also did well with the older two age groups winning whilst the Year 7 team were runners-up and the Year 8 and 9 team gained bronze medals.

In the English Schools' Cross Country Cup, both of our teams again made it to the national finals, this year at Sevenoaks in Kent. Ermysted's had qualified a couple of weeks earlier as they won the North East of England round held at Middlesbrough's Stewart Park. Ermysted's Inters



were joined at the final by not only their junior team but also both teams from Skipton Girls' High School. The weather was lovely, cold but clear and relatively firm underfoot. The course was a joy to run; a purpose built cross country course that was fit to host a world championship event. The exceptionally low score for the total of their finishing positions at Middlesbrough had put them 2nd favourites of the 27 final teams on paper but it is all about performance on the day. The Ermysted's runners looked to have been caught out by the cavalry-charge start as none of the runners were inside the top 20 after half a mile. However, there were four athletes almost in procession in the 20s. Harvey looked determined, was steadily moving through the field and pulling his team-mates with him. At the end of the first of two laps Harvey was up to fifteenth, with Sebastian and Alex twentieth and Louis just a few places further back. The team had the scent of victory and Harvey in particular was looking stronger than all around him. He was just outside the top ten as the finish came within sight but unleashed a fantastic sprint to finish in 8th place. Sebastian and Alex had been inseparable for most of the race and the sprint was no exception, but they too had made places and finished 14th and 15th respectively. The all-important fourth counter was Louis and he too finished in the top twenty. With all four scorers being so well placed out

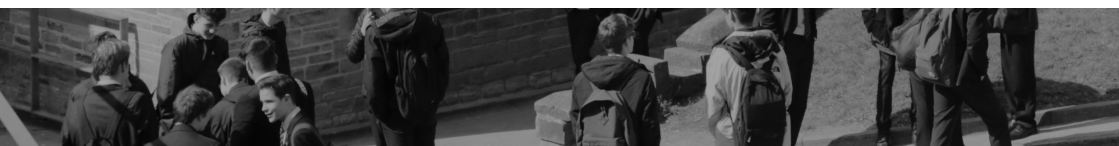


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Our team had a stellar performance at the Coventry Relays in the War Memorial Park. Since





1972 King Henry VIII School has hosted what is now regarded by many as the national Inter-Schools Cross Country Relay Race. The race has a strong legacy, boasting former competitors of the calibre of Alistair and Jonathan Brownlee, and Seb Coe. Conditions were perfect with a cloudless sky and not a breath of wind, which meant fast times were inevitable, however, this flat relay is a far cry from the mud and hills our students are used to. The team had aspirations of a high single figure placing and set off in determined fashion with their only Year 13 runner Jimmy. This was Jimmy's last run in this event and as School Captain of cross country he meant to sign off in style, which he did coming back 5th of the 60 entries as he ran the 11th fastest time of the day. Joe was our second fastest runner and caught up 13 seconds but the school had to settle for silver medals and a big runners-up cup. Times were indeed fast and the Judd School from Kent had run the second fastest team time ever to beat Ermysted's who had run the 6th best time in the 47 year history of the event!

One of the hardest decisions of the season is awarding the Golson Shield for the best individual performance of the year. We have had numerous individual winners of races, the intermediate team who won national team titles on the fells and cross country had their fair share of worthy contenders, Jimmy's exceptional service over 7 years and Tom gaining an England vest over the fells could all have won this honour but this year the stand out performances have come from new recruit Joe. Joe has run for England at two international events in Scotland and Italy where he helped the team to victory. He also helped North Yorkshire to victory at the English Schools' Cross Country, the Yorkshire 'clubs' team to silver medals at the Inter Counties Cross Country Championships as well as leading the school to become National Fell Champions.

**Mr Speak**





## Whole School Cross Country

A dry day and warm sunshine made for a lovely backdrop to this year's school cross country event; however, overnight rain made for a slow course with no new records. Some fancy dress costumes were in evidence and everyone seemed to have a good time. This year's fundraising was aimed at purchasing additional external seating at the school and supporting the mental health charity CALM.

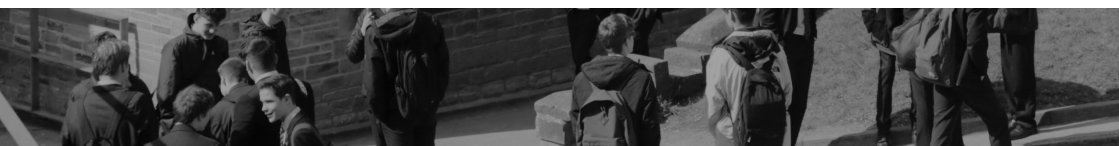
Our Year 7 runners were first away, making for an impressive sight as all 105 runners sprinted away from the starting line. At the front, pre-race favourite Freddie Marsh was setting the early pace with Aryaan Ghafoor in close pursuit. As they came out of the golf course, Freddie was clear but a real race was heating up behind him. It was still tight up the final hill and after a sprint finish, the next seven home were only separated by seconds: Ed Whitlam was second and Will Caygill third. Toller just won the House competition.

The Year 8 and Year 9 race saw 213 finishers. Year 9's Alex Thompson broke the course record last year but was almost a minute slower as he retained his title. Hamish Wills and Ben Rees were not far behind in second and third place, respectively. Petyt won the House competition.

The Year 10 and Year 11 race saw Sebastian Seggar-Staveley pick up his first school title. Last year he equalled the Year 8 and Year 9 record but didn't win, as Alex Thompson was inside the old mark. This year he beat off some fairly elite performers with Harvey Lewis runner-up and Joe Carnelley in third. Disappointingly about 30 runners were so slow that they didn't return before the Sixth Form runners and so missed out on a position and time. Petyt again won the house Competition.

In the Seniors, Jimmy Lund was trying to claim a clean sweep of race victories in his seven years of school. He only had to beat two recent England internationals to do it! Jimmy set off hard but Joe Hudson and Tom Barrett weren't going to let Jimmy win without a fight. Jimmy pulled out a slight lead on the first lap and held on to beat Joe by 13 seconds; however, he was 30 seconds adrift of Tom Anderson's long standing record. Tom Barrett came third of the 215 runners who finished this race, making it well over 700 runners in all age groups on the day. Petyt claimed their third House victory and became overall House Cross Country Champions for 2017!

### Mr Speak





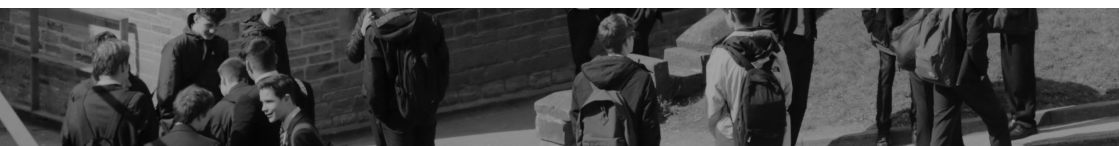
## Football Review



Co-Captains Freddie and Jordan's First XI confirmed that they were our best ever team as they played a lot of entertaining football and gained some silverware. They only lost three competitive fixtures all season and one of those was the County Cup Final on penalties.

At Christmas we were still in all competitions and had our first trophy as we beat a good Old Boys team on penalties after a 10 goal thriller, with Jordan saving twice in the shoot-out. In the English Schools' FA Cup we reached the last 16 of this national competition, winning five rounds before losing to South Hunsley from Hull. Our only other competitive defeat in normal time was a shock reverse to King James, Knaresborough in the Area Cup.

We won our mini league in the County League Cup thanks to wins over Harrogate Grammar, Queen Ethelburga's and a draw at St. John Fisher. We then beat St. Aidan's, Scarborough Sixth Form College before playing Richmond in the final. We went behind early but looked to have the game won until we conceded a penalty with 3 minutes to go. However, we ran out 6-3



winner in extra-time, the goals coming from Jake , Dylan, Alex, a brace from Sean and Freddie capping a great game with a bullet header for our fourth goal. He and Jordan then collected the League Cup.

The season ended in style with the North Yorkshire County Cup at York City's Bootham Crescent. We had got there with victories against Richmond, St. Aidan's and St. John Fisher and met Queen

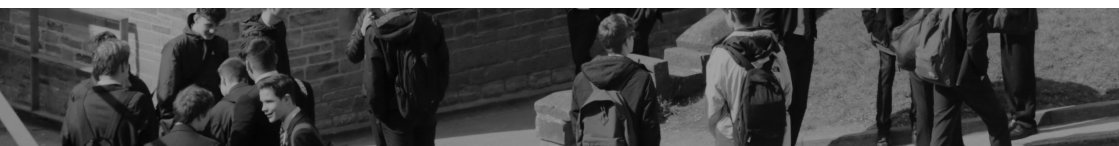


Ethelburga's in the final. There was a decent crowd including our Headmaster, five PE teachers and lots of parents and it was a good game that could have gone either way. We hit the woodwork three times but QE blazed two easy chances over from close range. Penalties have been our friend this year and we were quietly confident having won four times from spot kicks this year. However, each of those victories saw leading scorer, Sean and skipper, Freddie both find the net. This time they missed and although Alex and both MoM contenders Dylan and Jordan scored with aplomb, so did four of the five QE players.

We scored an incredible 77 goals with Sean amassing 24 of them and six 'Man of the Match' awards to boot! Jake netted 15 times and next year's captain Dylan also got double figures. We will do well to see a better football side than this group whose season ended with a record of;

Played 18, Won 13, Drawn 2, Lost 3

**Mr Speak**



## Sports Day

Hosting Sports Day in the final week of term paid off with dry fields, blue skies and the amphitheatre of The Top looking resplendent for the occasion. It has to be accepted that Ermysted's is blessed with a number of outstanding athletes who must be congratulated for their endeavours in the throws, runs and jumps. A special mention goes to Rohan Smith for a new record in the Year 8 300m of 48.84 seconds. Students, staff and parents alike could all but wonder at the athleticism of a number of individuals. It is no surprise that boys at this school are attaining highly on the national stage.

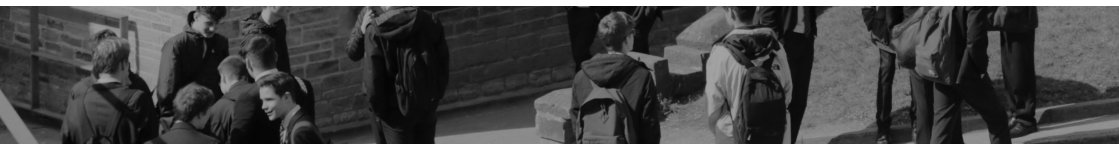
Yet as has been highlighted in previous years the true foci of Sports Day are mass participation, enjoyment, the development of resilience, developing a team (house) ethos and at the end of a hard academic year bringing the student family at Ermysted's together for a celebratory experience. To this end all events were full during the whole day, a number of boys stepped in at the last moment to cover injury and illness and the greatest cheers of the day were reserved for boys at the back, not front, of events.

At the end of the day obvious care for our environment could be evidenced through the minimal amount of litter left and the unstinting support of our students to assist in putting equipment away after the final bell of the day was commendable. With two mobile phones being repatriated by students to other students and boys helping the Parents' Association to clear up the ice cream tent the whole day will have etched a valuable memory into the minds of participants and observers alike.

Mr White

## Results

<b>Overall</b>	
<b>First</b>	<b>Hartley</b>
<b>Second</b>	<b>Petyt</b>
<b>Third</b>	<b>Ermysted</b>
<b>Fourth</b>	<b>Toller</b>



## Carnegie

On Monday, 18 June the library held its annual Carnegie lunch, a celebration that marks the end of the three month Carnegie reading challenge and recognises the achievements of the students that have been involved in the project. Sixty eight KS3 students signed up to read the eight books shortlisted for the Carnegie Medal and to become part of a national shadowing scheme. They met regularly to discuss the books; followed the discussions of other shadowing groups; created a school webpage and designed table top displays representing each of the books.

Ermysted's has an outstanding group of readers who are willing to challenge themselves by reading new material that is often outside their comfort zone. The books are thought provoking and deal with human rights issues, which often makes the meetings quite heated and very interesting. The majority of the group, 96%, said they had read a book they wouldn't normally have chosen. Congratulations to all the students that took part.

The Ermysted's group voted 'After the Fire' by Will Hill as Carnegie 2018 winner, whilst the official Carnegie judging panel voted for 'Where the World Ends' by Geraldine McCaughrean. The Amnesty award went to 'The Hate You Give' by Angie Thomas. The following students won awards:

**Librarian's Award for outstanding participation:** Tom Henderson, Gabriel Benny

**Fastest Readers:** Sam Eaglesham, Luke McCormick-Merry, Ibrahim Chowdhury, Niall Fitzgibbon, Nathan Howard-Birt

**Fantastic Improvement:** Ayman Al-Farooq

**Year 7 Newcomer's Award:** Ammar Khedapa

**Outstanding Participation in Meetings:** Niall Fitzgibbon, Tom Henderson, Gabriel Benny, Bram Heierman-Rix, Bendi Bodo, Luke McCormick- Merry, Maciej Zaweracz, Adam Williams

**Website:** James Copeland, James Varney

**Book Reviews:** Alistair Whitehead

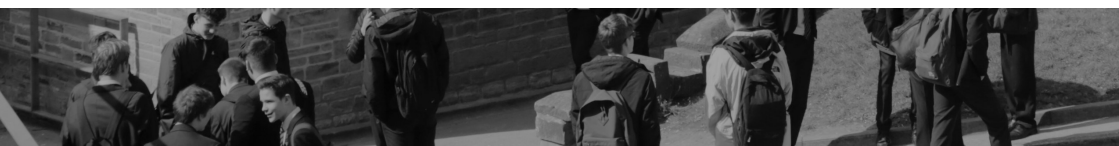
**Table Top Displays:**

First Prize – Beyond the Bright Sea - Gabriel Benny, Will Oliver, Ammar Khedapa

Second Prize – Saint Death – Ty Greenwood, Ed Whitlam, Bilal Nadeem

Third Prize – The Hate You Give - Joseph Smith

**Mrs McCabe**

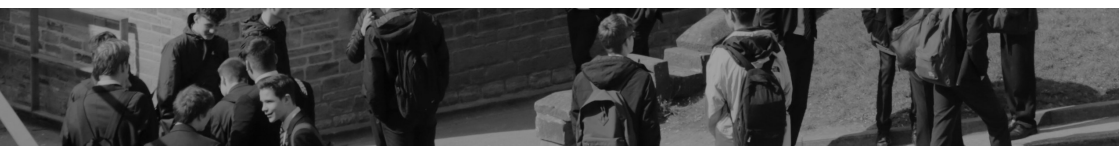


## Enrichment Week

For one week this term, normal timetables were suspended for Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 and pupils were offered the opportunity to experience new activities, learn new skills and have fun. Pupils chose from a huge range of pursuits, including trips to Thorntwaite Activity Centre, Battlefields, Chester Zoo, Ripley Castle, Snozone, The Depot Climbing Centre, Warner Bros Studios, National Coal Mining Museum, White Scar Caves and Swinden/Threshfield Quarries, Lightwater Valley, Lancaster Castle, The Houses of Parliament, Old Trafford, plus workshops and other activities at school ranging from baking to code-cracking. A great week was had by all. Here is a taster of what went on...



Mrs T's Bake Off (top, left); tile painting (top, middle); Boxing Bootcamp (above); Burnley Club football coaching (right); felting and music workshops (top, right and middle, right)





## Château de la Baudonnière

This year saw the French department return on our tenth visit to the Château de la Baudonnière in the beautiful Normandy countryside, and this visit took place during Enrichment Week for the first time. We enjoyed superb weather throughout our stay and this gave plenty of opportunity to explore and enjoy the extensive grounds of the Château.

As ever, the boys profited from the immersion experience of participating in a wide range of activities all conducted in French, such as fencing, archery, aeroball and bread-making. Meal times and evening activities provided additional opportunities to speak French with several animateurs (young French activity leaders) who were able to inject a lot of fun into the proceedings! It was a real pleasure to see the boys develop their French so quickly and to see their confidence increase as the week went on.

**Dr Heron**

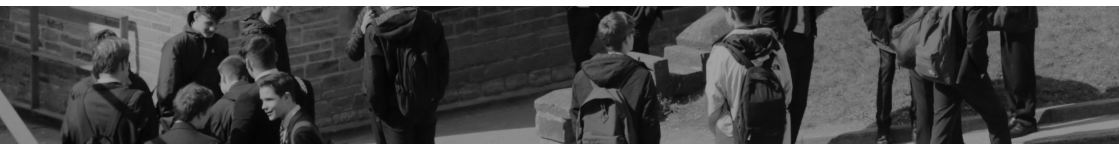
### *Trip Report (English)*

On the Sunday, we travelled down from Skipton to Portsmouth. Upon arriving in France, we then had another few hours of travelling to get to the Chateau de la Baudonnière where we were going to be spending our week. When we arrived, we received a warm welcome. We were greeted in French and from then on, we were mostly speaking in French. We then went to bed soon after in preparation for the long day ahead of us.

The next day, as we went down for breakfast, we were taught lots of new words and phrases



about breakfast or “petit-déjeuner”. There was lots of choice for breakfast including bread, cereal, yogurt, fruit and typical French breakfast foods like croissants. It was very useful to learn this practical language. On the Monday, we were shown round the property and we played a collection of typical French games including pétanque. We then enjoyed a hot



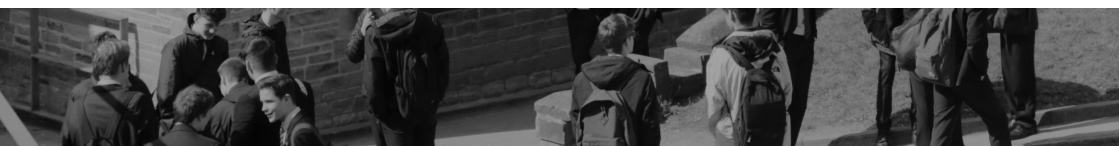
lunch which we all deserved after an already busy morning. The lunch was delicious. The afternoon was busy with archery in which we learnt some new French phrases. We then had French lessons during which we then came up with questions for our visit. We then had dinner which was once again another very nice cooked meal. We were also encouraged to talk about our day (in French, of course / bien sûr) during the meals with the “animateurs” who supervised the activities. We also enjoyed the evening activity which was very enriching because we learnt many new words and it was fun.

After our first day of (gentle) immersion, we practised fencing which was good fun. We learnt all the different parts of the equipment used in fencing, in French, and also the meaning of



some different phrases used in fencing. We then had a mini tournament. The other French lessons were dedicated to the design of our own French play on the topic of “a catastrophe at the supermarket” which we would then act out later on in the week. Another interesting activity we enjoyed very much was initiative activities which were little riddles and puzzles, which was really fun and rewarding, when you finally worked them out.

At some point, as the World Cup was happening, we then watched the end of the France v Belgium game in the games room. The atmosphere in the room was immense.



Wednesday was our excursion day: we went to the market in St. Hilaire, which was a very large market, filled with music, clothes, flags in preparation for the world cup and food. This was another chance to interact with native speakers too. We then went to the goat farm and we learnt a lot about the goats and Tony's job as a goat farmer. We also asked some questions we previously prepared and did our best to understand Tony's answers, which we did! Hurray! Tony is a young goat farmer who made our visit quite special and real fun. We then bought goat cheese for our evening meal, which was absolutely delicious.

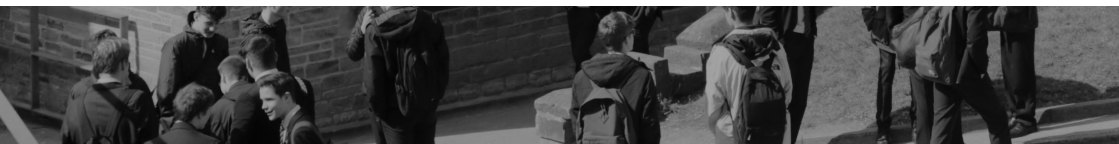
Our last day was still busy with more activities. We also perfected our miniature plays named "Une Petite Catastrophe au Marché" ("a small problem at the market") which we performed in the evening after our last diner which was quite special, as we enjoyed our own French bread we had made in the afternoon. Along with performing our plays, we had a French quiz and tried some French cheese. We enjoyed our trip very much and wished we could have stayed a bit longer.

#### **Euan Hayes and George Marshall**




#### **Trip Reports (French)**

Arrivés en France, nous avons vu le château. C'était un bâtiment ancien et magnifique! Il est situé à la campagne alors, il y avait une vraie atmosphère de sérénité. Nous avons été accueillis par les animateurs qui nous ont gentiment donné du chocolat chaud. C'était vraiment délicieux! Après l'avoir bu, on nous a montré nos dortoirs où on a dormi pendant la semaine.





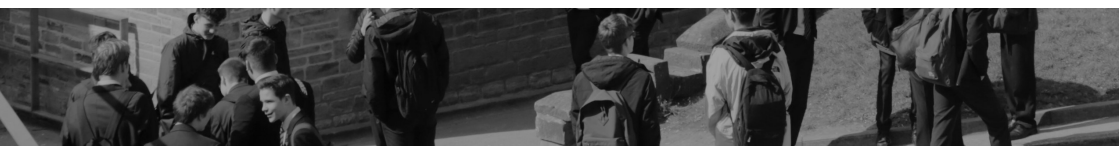


Les animateurs étaient extrêmement aimables et nous avons appris beaucoup d'eux. Comme ils ne parlaient que le français, nos compétences linguistiques se sont considérablement améliorées. Nous avons trouvé les activités amusantes et motivantes. Mon activité préférée était l'aérobball car mon équipe a gagné! Grâce au château de la Baudonnière, j'ai découvert de nouveaux aspects de la culture française. C'était une expérience très enrichissante et gratifiante.

### **Amaan Akhtar**

En France, les repas étaient super puisqu'ils étaient très authentiques. On a aussi mangé des escargots. C'était plutôt intéressant. Personnellement, j'ai détesté les escargots. Pourtant, tous les autres ont aimé les escargots. Vendredi, nous avons aussi fait du pain, c'était délicieux. Les activités étaient géniales, surtout l'aérobball. C'était mon activité préférée. On a aussi fait du tir à l'arc et ça m'a appris beaucoup de compétences. À mon avis, la meilleure activité était l'escrime. C'était vraiment super. Aussi, nous avons fait des cours de français avec les animateurs qui étaient très drôles !

### **Elliot Evans**



## Thornthwaite Residential



Year 7 enjoyed another successful trip to Thornthwaite this year. With more than 50 students spending Monday-Wednesday or Wednesday-Friday at camp, and more than 100 on site on Wednesday, the residential was full of adventure. We all enjoyed the warm weather and the activities including climbing, biking, bushcraft, orienteering, fencing, and cooling off with a water fight. There was also plenty of sport including watching some of the World Cup football, excitedly hoping "it's coming home". A great experience to stay away from home and spend time outdoors with friends.



**Dr Needham**



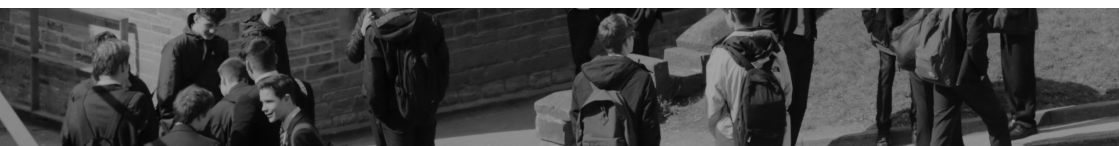
## Speech Day

On Tuesday 3 July, we hosted our annual Speech Day celebration. The event took place as usual in the afternoon, with Years 7, 9 and 12 invited to attend, along with parents, teachers and VIP guests. The guest speaker this year was Mr Stuart Clarkson (pictured right with Mr Barrett, Chair of Governors and Mr Evans, Headmaster).

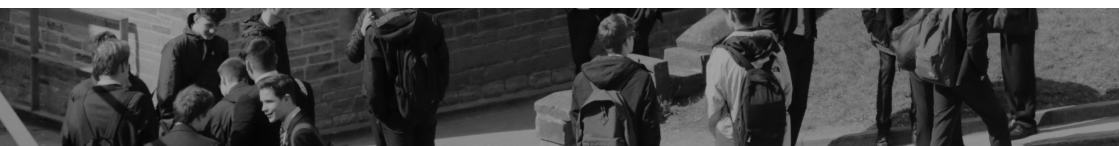


Mr Clarkson attended Ermysted's from 1992 to 1999 and was Head Boy in the 1998-99 school year. During his time at school he was a founder member of what became the EGS Big Band and also wrote music for and directed the 1998 school production, "Eddie". After completing a Year 10 work experience placement at a radio station, he became a volunteer with hospital radio station Radio Airedale. He began working in radio while in the Sixth Form, presenting the evening show on local station Yorkshire Dales Radio – before going on to complete a BA in Broadcast Journalism at the University of Leeds. Over the last 20 years he has worked for a variety of radio stations around the UK as a presenter and journalist. He has also had two public sector PR jobs with a police force and a council. Since 2012, he has been a senior broadcast journalist and newsreader at BBC Radio 5 live, based in Salford. For the last decade he has also written about radio for the trade website RadioToday, reporting from awards ceremonies and conferences – and he now presents their weekly podcast about the radio industry. After moving 'home' to Silsden in 2013, Mr Clarkson became involved with the Ermysted's Old Boys' Society - he was instrumental in setting up its website and putting the Old Boys on social media. He also became a governor of the school in September 2017.

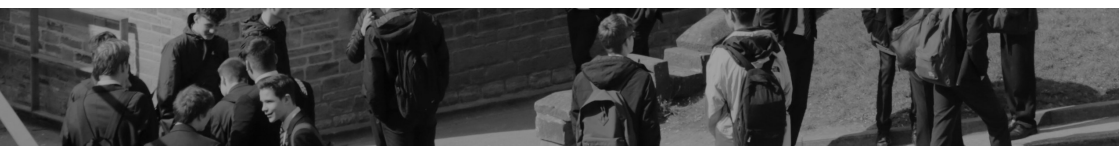
Mr Clarkson gave an entertaining and inspirational speech about his time at school and life after Ermysted's. It was a fitting end to what was a wonderful celebration of the year's achievements. The day concluded with a thoughtful vote of thanks from the Head Boy 2017-18, Jonny Macha, and the official handover of the Badge of Office to Johnny Sturgeon, Head Boy 2018-19.



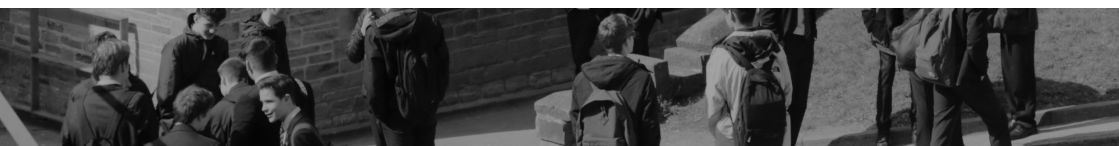
<b>Junior School Prizes</b>	
Marmaduke Millar Art Prize	Samuel Laycock
Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize	Sam Eaglesham
John Bevis Wilkinson Chemistry Prize	Michael Heron
Mechanics' Institute Design and Technology Prize	Abhay Nambiar
Petyt Trust English Prize	Mattie Sheldon
George Bottomley Memorial French Prize	Jamie Burgess
George Bottomley Memorial German Prize	Daniel Batchelor
Rodwell Memorial Geography Prize	Mattie Sheldon
Foundation History Prize	Hassaan Aziz
Petyt Trust Latin Prize	Sam Eaglesham
Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize	Daniel Batchelor
Firth Memorial Music Prize	Hamish Wills
Foundation PE Prize	Ben McParland
Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize	Bram Heierman-Rix
Foundation Religious Studies Prize	Bendi Bodo
Lower School Information Technology Prize	Daniel Batchelor
Foundation Food and Nutrition Prize	Zak Shepherd
Skipton Town Council Silver Jubilee Shield (Music)	Sam Bowerbank
<b>Foundation Form Prizes</b>	
7E	Joseph Thomas
7H	Ed Whitlam
7P	Oliver Mann
7T	Matthew McGowan
8E	Ishaan Khullar
8H	Daniel Sherry
8P	Adil Ali
8T	Aaryan Abhishek
9E	Dominic Holland



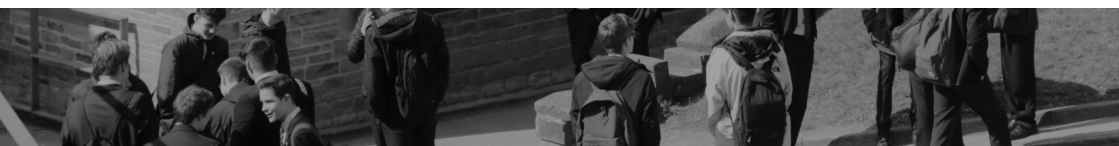
<b>Foundation Form Prizes</b>	
9H	Bendi Bodo
9P	Oliver Park
9T	Musa Majid
<b>Middle School Prizes</b>	
Jonathan Chapman Memorial Art Prize	Bradley Greenwood
Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize	Reuben Burns
Foundation PE Prize	Callum Worts
Foundation Chemistry Prize	Matthew Kenneth
Foundation Design & Technology Prize	Jorge Taylor
Foundation English Prize	Callum Worts
Jonathan Chapman Memorial Geography Prize	Sam Jenkins
Foundation History Prize	Daniel Shackleton
Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize	David Cowen
Foundation Computing Prize	Finlay Burkinshaw
Jack Eastwood Memorial Prize for Languages: French	Matthew Joynson
Jack Eastwood Memorial Latin Prize	Thomas Shaw
Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize	David Cowen
Foundation Modern Languages Prize: German	Thomas Merrall
Edward Scott Music Prize	Thomas Merrall
Foundation Religious Studies Prize	Daniel Coghill
Foundation Food and Nutrition Prize	Ethan Kirkby
<b>Senior School Prizes</b>	
Mechanics' Institute Biology Prize	Shayan Zeb
John Bevis Wilkinson Chemistry Prize	Anson Fong
Mechanics' Institute Design Technology Prize	Archie Mowle
Foundation Economics Prize	Harvey Newiss
Petyt Trust English Prize	Matthew Paul
George Bottomley Memorial French Prize	Samuel Owers



<b>Senior School Prizes</b>	
Senior Latin Prize	John Burn
Foundation Linguistics Prize	Patrick Wild
Mechanics' Institute Mathematics Prize	Shayan Zeb
Foundation PE Prize	Patrick Wild
Mechanics' Institute Physics Prize	Edward Stretton
Foundation Further Maths Prize	Alexander Blake
Senior Religious Studies Prize	Thomas Pritchard
Classical Civilisation Prize	Matthew Paul
Senior Computing Prize	Anson Fong
Dramatic Society Prize	Matthew Paul
Senior Public Speaking Prize	Johnny Sturgeon
British Mathematical Olympiad Round Two; Certificate of Distinction	Alastair Horn
Arkwright Engineering Scholarship	James Fernandez
North Yorkshire Football County League Cup Winners	Jack Lister/Patrick Wild
Senior Football Prize	Jordan Harding/Freddie Binns
Fleming Essay Prize	Lewis Baxter
Longden Smith Prize for Rugby	Oliver Bullock
Jimmy Harrison Memorial Prize for Progress in Senior Rugby	Rory Macnab
Foundation Cricket Prize	Freddie Binns
Doris Altham Barker Prize for Musical Achievement	Sam Bell
David Morgan Memorial Prize for a Prospective Medical Student	Dan Chander/Chonghao Sun/Matthew Hayes/ Aamir Rafiq
Head of Sixth Form's Merit Prize	David Wall/Patrick Ralphson
Parents' Association Fortitude Prize	Qais Choudhry
Arthur Coe Prize for Distinguished Service	Tom Downs
Foundation General Efficiency Prize	Jack Lister



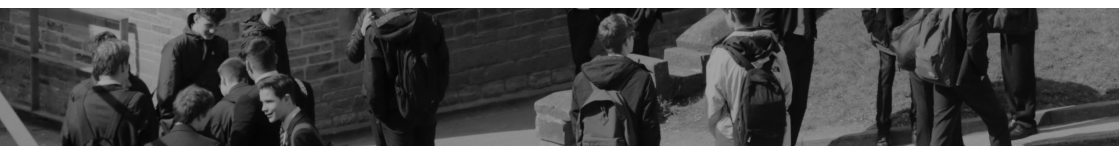
<b>Senior School Prizes</b>	
Old Boys' Association Head of School Prize	Jonny Macha
<b>Athletes</b>	
English Schools Under 16 Fell Running Team Champions	Louis Hudson/Harvey Lewis/Sebastian Segger- Staveley
English Schools Under 16 Fell Running Individual Runner Up	Alex Thompson
English Schools Under 18 Fell Running Team Champions	Tom Barrett/Jimmy Lund/Joe Hudson
English Schools Fell Running National Championship Individual Bronze Medal	Joe Hudson
Cross Country National Team Champions	Louis Hudson/Harvey Lewis/Sebastian Segger- Staveley/Arthur Peel/Joe Carnelley/Alex Thompson
Golson Shield for Achievement in Cross Country Running	Joe Hudson



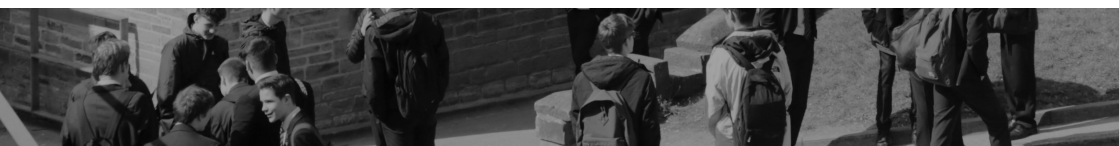


## Leavers' Destinations

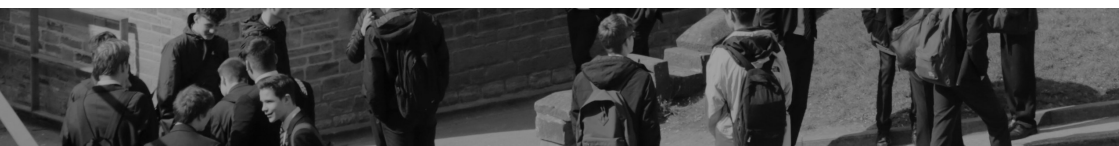
University or Company	Course
London School of Economics	Economics
Reading University	Quantity Surveying
University of Leeds	Human Geography with Transport Study
Northumbria University	Civil Engineering
Durham University	Law
Lancaster University	Mathematics
Open University	Engineering
Chester University	Business Management
York University	Biochemistry
Cambridge University	Mathematics
Huddersfield University	Automotive and Motorsport Engineering
Keele University	History
Sheffield Hallam University	Sport Science
Northumbria University	Finance & Investment
Trinity College Dublin	Classics
Newcastle University	Chemical Engineering
Newcastle University	Medicine
University of Sheffield	IT
University of Sheffield	Dentistry
Newcastle University	Philosophy
Newcastle University	Civil Engineering
Glasgow University	Ancient History/Archaeology
Newcastle University	Business Management
Warwick University	Mathematics
Bristol University	Engineering Mathematics
Reading University	Quantity Surveying
York St John University	Graphic Design
Leeds Beckett University	Media, Communication & Cultures
Durham University	Chemistry
Northumbria University	Geography and Environmental Science
Goldsmiths, University of London	Anthropology and Media
Bangor University	Marine Vertebrate Zoology
York St John University	Human Resource & Business Enterprise
Sheffield Hallam University	Sports Management



University or Company	Course
Newcastle University	Chemical Engineering (Industry)
St George's, University of London	Biomedical Science
Manchester University	Zoology with German
Northumbria University	Business Economics
Nottingham Trent University	Politics and International Relations
Sunderland University	Automotive Engineering
Newcastle University	Chemistry
Bradford College	Optometry
Huddersfield University	Automotive/Motorsport Engineering
University of Sheffield	Aerospace Engineering
University of Leeds	Dental Surgery
Newcastle University	Medicine
Leeds Beckett University	Sports and Exercise Therapy
Loughborough University	Sport & Exercise Science
Bristol University	Mechanical Engineering
Bradford University	Clinical Sciences/Medicine Foundation
Glasgow University	Veterinary Medicine
University of Cambridge	Land Economy
Southampton University	Mathematics
Cambridge University	Arabic & French
University of Sheffield	Geography & Planning
University of Sheffield	Aerospace Engineering
University College London	Earth Sciences
University of Cambridge	English
University of Sheffield	Dentistry
Lancaster University	History
University of Leeds	Medicine
Manchester University	Chemistry with Medicinal Chemistry
Manchester Metropolitan	Chemistry
Keele University	Philosophy
Northumbria University	Business
Northumbria University	Automobile Engineering
Durham University	Maths & Computer Science
HRS Invictus Leeds	Employment
Lincoln University	Criminology
Newcastle University	Chemical Engineering (Industry)
Newcastle University	History & Politics



<b>University or Company</b>	<b>Course</b>
Manchester University	Economics
Warwick University	French & German
Swansea University	Electric & Electronic Engineering
Keele University	Radiography (Diagnostic Imaging)
Manchester Metropolitan University	Architecture
Northumbria University	Psychology
Newcastle University	History
Birmingham University	Sport & Exercise Science
Sheffield Hallam University	Computing
Nottingham Trent University	Quantity Surveying
Chester University	Primary Education
Leeds University	Medicine
Nelson and Colne College	Accounting Apprenticeship
AON	Apprenticeship
Tekdry Systems Ltd	Apprenticeship in Design Engineering
Morrisons	Degree Apprenticeship
Joining the RAF	Joining the RAF
Herncliffe Care Home	Healthcare worker
Unbranded Digital	Digital Marketing
Oxford CAE	Commercial Pilot Training



## Old Boys' Society

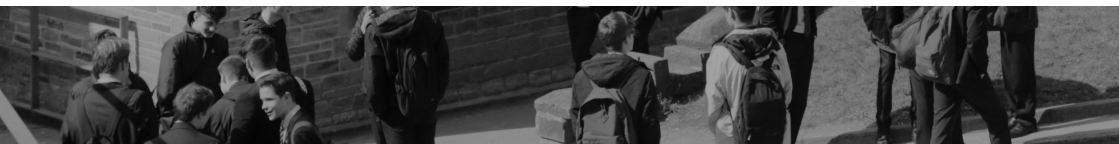
President **Mr Michael Evans**

Chairman **Mr David Clough**

Treasurer **Mr Ken Oxley**

Secretary **Mr Stuart Clarkson**

The 2017 Old Boys' Dinner was held on Saturday 9th December, with former Head Boy and retiring Chair of Governors, Mr Tony Barrett (1967-74) making a speech as our Chief Guest. James Tiffany stood down as Chairman of the Old Boys' Society after serving his 3-year term, former Deputy Headmaster David Clough taking over the reigns from this year's Dinner – the final one to be held on the evening of Founders' Day because of the change to a Friday afternoon church service from 2018. The Dinner was well-attended by leavers from 1997 and 2007 in particular.



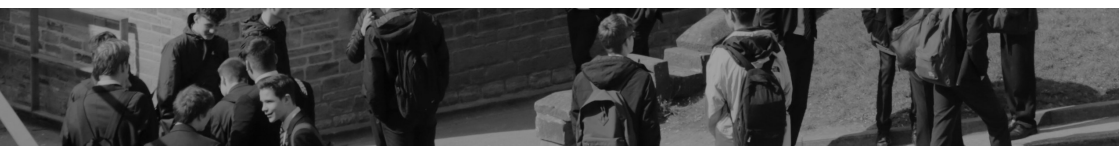
A retirement presentation was made at the Dinner to Mr Andrew Hopkins, who left his position

of Head of Mathematics in summer 2017 after more than 20 years in the job. And following his excellent work on the portraits of former Headmasters Tom Ashworth and Graham Hamilton, the artist and Old Boy David Ingham (1953-55) was commissioned to paint a new portrait of the 1982-1998 Headmaster, David



Buckroyd. The picture was unveiled at the 2017 Old Boys' Dinner and now hangs in pride of place in the school boardroom.

The second annual Old Boys v School football fixture took place on the afternoon of the Dinner (Sat 9th December 2017) on the all-weather pitch at Sandylands in freezing temperatures. A late equalizer from the Old Boys meant the match finished 5-5, with the school team going on to win 4-2 on penalties.





Following a series of defeats in recent years, we are pleased to report that the Old Boys XI finally won a match of cricket against the school team, with the historic victory coming on Friday 22nd June 2018. James Tiffany captained the Old Boys side to a 23-run victory at Bolton Abbey Cricket Club.

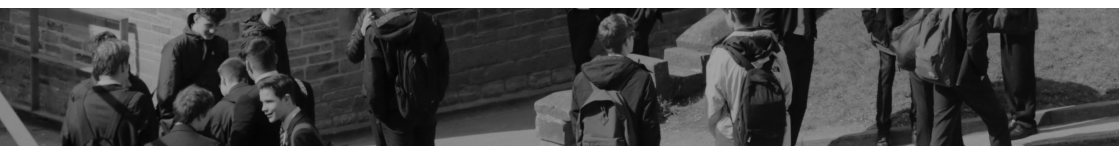


It was a great season of golf for our Old Boys in 2018 too, with golf captain Chris Windle picking up the Hitchin Trophy in May. The Old Boys recorded a 3-1 win over the Old Giggleswickians in June to re-gain the Craven Plate – before going on to lift the AD Taylor Tankard for the first time in nearly a decade by beating the School team 2½-1½ on Monday 16th July 2018.

Our summer reunion event – Forty Years On – took place on 23rd June 2018, with around 30 former pupils in attendance. They were taken on tours of the current school site, before enjoying a buffet lunch in the Refectory.



Summer 2018 saw the retirements of two Ermysted's masters who as pupils had sat next to each other in Form 1B on their first day in 1972! Steve Howarth – a former Deputy Head Boy, House Captain and 1st XV captain - leaves after 25 years in the History department; while





Roger Humphreys – school cross country champion in his day – has spent the last 13 years as Head of Modern Foreign Languages. We wish them much health and happiness in retirement.

Your kind donations to our fundraising appeals this year have enabled us to purchase a suite of new computers for the school library at a cost of £8,000. Many thanks to all Old Boys for their continued support and attendance at our events – your contributions do make a massive difference to the school.

### **Obituaries**

In 2017-18 we report the deaths of a number of Old Boys – a full list can be found on the society's website. We were incredibly sad to share the news of Ben Leong's death in September 2017, aged just 29. Ben was at EGS 1998-2005 before going on to study Classics at Oxford. We also said farewell to Ivan Rhodes (1957-62) – a long-serving Society committee member and Chairman 2009-11. William Llewellyn Jones (Billy) was a pupil 1942-50 before returning as a master 1957-86 – he died on Christmas Eve 2017 aged 86. And another long-serving master, Colin Williamson, passed away in June 2018 – he taught at EGS from 1962 to 1989 and was Head of Classics as well as Third Master.

Find out more about the Old Boys' Society at [ermystedsoldboys.co.uk](http://ermystedsoldboys.co.uk)

