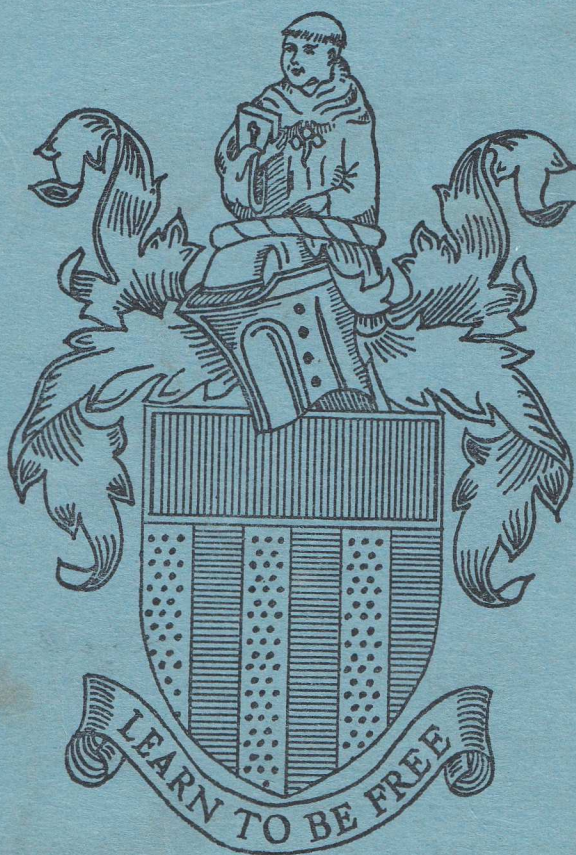


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So, at last, amalgamation, of the Grammar School with the High School is definitely to take place at the beginning of the next school year in September. This news has been greeted with mixed feelings and even a certain amount of indifference in many quarters of the school; it appears that the issue, so fiercely debated during the course of the last two years or so, has sunk into the past, and in the face of the actual event many people—both in and out of school—seem to be adopting a “let’s-wait-and-see” attitude. This, however, is not good enough. Co-education is socially, psychologically and intellectually better than this “fester-ing, antiseptic system” under which we are at present educated—and education, after all, consists not merely of the attainment of academic proficiency, but of a preparation for life, in, which (believe it or not) there exist strange creatures known esoterically as women.!

There will, of course, be difficulties to overcome and inconveniences to put up with, not least among them being the distance between the two schools but, if they are tackled in the right spirit, no problems will be insuperable. Therefore this “let’s-wait-and-see” attitude will not do — everyone concerned must be determined that this “shot-gun marriage,” as the headmaster rather aptly described it, shall succeed, to the benefit of all.

It is cheering, however, to see enlightenment in the Historical Society, Scripture Union and Arts and Drama Society, all of which have held amalgamated meetings this term. It is to be hoped that the trend will continue.

The editors would like to thank that small band of boys who contribute regularly to the magazine, but it seems a great pity that in a school of six hundred boys so few should voluntarily come forward with articles for publication. If an incentive is required, magazine prizes are available . . .

Again, however, a sincere thank you to all those who have in any way helped in the production of this magazine.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of “The Savilian,” “The Morleian,” “The Kimboltonian,” “The Pontefract Grammar School Magazine,” “The Batley Grammar School Magazine” and “The Cockburnian.”

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M. Stephenson, 5B.
D. Ambler, 1A.

DE OMNIBUS

Once again the school was paid a visit by the Careers' Adviser. His advice is available to all 5th and 6th formers if they wish it and is decidedly useful.

The Christmas Concert, which was cancelled last term because of fog, was held early this term.

Jeremy Gott, the West Riding pianist, gave a series of recitals to different forms using the baby grand Steinway which had been wrongly delivered to the school.

Speech Day was held on 18th February. The speaker was Professor W. Walsh of the Department of Education, Leeds University. His address gave considerable amusement to the entire audience; though for different reasons to different sections.

On the Monday of half-term, 22nd February, the Opera For All company gave, us a very good performance of "La Boheme." The performance was, rather surprisingly to some sceptics, fairly well attended.

On the Tuesday of half-term, Mr. Murray took a party of pupils to see the film "Windows of the Soul." A few weeks later he took another party to a lecture on "Archaeology and the Bible." Earlier in the term some of the boys attended a Students' Christian Movement meeting.

Through the term a series of lectures on French Literature was held at Leeds University. It was attended by members of the 6th form.

Amalgamation seems already to have started, in part. Several societies have held mixed meetings. These were the Historical Society, the Scripture Union and the Arts and Drama Society.

SPEECH DAY REPORT

The School held Speech Day on Thursday, 18th February, at 7 o'clock in the Hall. The guest of honour this year was Professor William Walsh, M.A., Head of the Department of Education at Leeds University.

This Speech Day, historic in its own way for being the last for this single senior Grammar School, passed with a calm and smoothness quite remarkable. The only alteration was explained early in the proceedings—Professor Walsh's wife, who was to have distributed prizes, was unfortunately smitten with toothache. Had she taken her place on, the platform she would no doubt have been staggered at the weight of learning piled high on the table as the 140 boys queued and circulated for their rewards. Professor Walsh, himself a seasoned Speech Day traveller, confirmed that he had never seen or distributed so many prizes at one meeting.

The Headmaster opened his Report on the year with a reference to this "farewell Stag party" and then moved to a review of the year before returning to the question of amalgamation at the end of his speech.

Numbers on the roll and masters to cope, had, increased, he said, successes recorded in "A" and "O" levels were encouraging, while Cadman and Jones had gained places at Cambridge and Oxford, respectively. The sports record was as usual most impressive and the Headmaster ended with a plea that the same effort be made in the classroom as had been made on the sports: field, adding a particular warning about language and communication, a point which Professor Walsh was to seize upon as the thread of his own performance. The Headmaster paid tribute to Mr. Gott who retired last year and listed other staff changes:—Miss Pearce, Mr. Croft, Mr. Waterton and Mr. Mason outgoing, while he welcomed Mr. Brown, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Williamson. Congratulations were paid to Mrs. Sylvester for the award of a C.B.E. and to the Parents' Association for their continued efforts, although here again, a note of disappointment that the proportion of parents subscribing the small annual fee had not increased.

The Headmaster spent the remainder of his report on the amalgamation question and in a few crisp sentences dismissed the old views and called for a forward-looking

policy. The new school, he said, would be a four form entry and classes would not be mixed throughout, at any rate in the early stages because of the inadequate building facilities, evidenced by the unfortunate (or possibly fortunate) third of the school who would be housed in prefabricated buildings. A wider "A" level syllabus would be open now to the girls, housecraft could be added for the boys, but on the sports field there would be a weakening in team games as numbers of boys dropped.

The last comments the Headmaster reserved for the staff, paying tribute to their work and forecasting that any storms in the future would be weathered as they had in the past. The Freeston foundation would survive.

It always seems amazing that so much of real interest happens within a school year and passes swiftly away until at Speech Day time stands still and the list of successes is read out. It is always encouraging to hear this but it seems a pity that the very section of the school most needing confidence and encouragement is not present because of lack of space. This point was raised by Professor Walsh over a cup of coffee in the gym afterwards. In any case, the address he delivered after the Chairman's remarks seemed to be a sermon to the converted. His appeal for language and communication which he delivered with such enthusiasm and histrionics fell mainly on those least needing it. One can only hope that the boys paid as much attention to the idea behind the address as they did to the manner of delivery. If they understood nothing, Professor Walsh's genuine belief in what he was saying must surely have been transmitted, although in an amusing sotto voce over that same cup of coffee he admitted that he had seen many a stifled yawn from the ranks. I suppose all will remember his joke of the absent-minded professor, strangely enough himself in this instance, who had a list of railway stations read to him by a bewildered-looking clerk, as he had forgotten which school he was going to address that night. As the clerk continued his flat monotone, the professor suddenly knew his destination. Professor Walsh did not tell us the station—we hope it was not Normanton.

The choir, band and orchestra supplied musical interlude through the evening, including Holst's Planets Suite (Mars), a Mozart wind septet and the Finale from Act II of Aida. The pieces all passed well and brought favourable comment. From the boys' angle no doubt the crowning success of the evening lay in the award of a half day's holiday, requested by Professor Walsh and approved by the Chairman of the Governors. Amid the fading echoes of three cheers the last Speech Day for Normanton Grammar School for Boys passed peacefully away.

University Entrance and County Major Scholarships

T. Bolton (Manchester University); G. Bullock (York University); M. R. Carey (St. David's, Lampeter); N. B. Easter (Rutherford College of Technology); P. J. Guillou (Leeds Medical College); D. D. Haigh (Swansea University); P. M. Haigh (Newcastle University); J. S. Harrison (London School of Economics); D. V. Hoyland (Hull University); A. N. Hoyle (Seale Hayne Agricultural); M. K. Johnson (Leeds Medical College); M. Middleton (Sheffield University); G. H. Moxon (Salford College of Advanced Technology); W. J. Thirlwell (Bradford College of Advanced Technology).

Training College Entrance

D. W. Firth (Westminster); W. S. Harris (Saltley); L. Hill (York); G. Hutchinson (Newcastle); D. M. Johnson (Sheffield); R. C. Lees (Leeds); P. Moore (Canterbury); A. Simmons (York); (left 1962) J. T. Hall (Didsbury); (left 1962) C. T. Spencer (Leeds).

General Certificate of Education—Advanced Level

Upper Sixth Science: H. M. Beckitt, Gen. Studies, Maths., Phys., Chem.; M. R. Grainge, Maths., Phys., Chem.; P. J. Guillou, Gen. Studies, Phys., Chem., Bio.; D. D. Haigh, Maths., Phys., Chem.; P. M. Haigh, Maths., Phys., Chem.; J. S. Harrison, Econ., Maths.; D. M. Johnson, Phys.; M. K. Johnson, Phys., Chem., Bio.; P. Johnson, Gen. Studies, Maths., Phys., Chem.; J. A. Jones, Gen. Studies, Maths., Phys., Chem.; G. H. Moxon, Maths., Phys., Chem.; J. F. Short, Maths., Further Maths., Phys.; W. J. Thirlwell, Maths., Phys., Chem.; J. S. Warren, Chem.

Upper Sixth Arts: J. Cadman, Gen. Studies, Eng. Lit., Scripture Know., Hist.; M. R. Carey, Gen. Studies, Eng. Lit., O.B.G., French; F. English, Latin, French; D. W. Firth, Eng. Lit., Hist., Scripture Know.; B. A. Flynn, Eng. Lit., Latin, French; W. S. Harris, Hist., Scripture Know.; D. V. Hoyland, Eng. Lit., Art, Music; J. K. Jarvis, Eng. Lit., Latin; J. R. Law, Eng. Lit., French; K. McNicholas, Gen. Studies, Eng. Lit., Latin, French; F. J. Powers, Eng. Lit., Geog.

Upper Sixth Economics: E. Brooks, Econ., French; G. Bullock, Gen. Studies, O.B.G.; N. B. Easter, O.B.G. Econ.; I. M. Graham, Econ., Art; B. Greatorex, Art; L. Hill, Geog., Woodwork, G.E.D.; W. L. Horner, Geog., Econ.; G. Hutchinson, Econ., Maths.; M. Middleton, Hist., Geog., Econ.; A. Simmons, Geog., Econ., Music; J. A. Smith, Hist.; E. Stephens, Gen. Studies, Hist., Econ.; L. G. Westwood, O.B.G., Econ.; R. B. H. Wilson, Geog.

Ordinary Level

The number of subjects passed is shown in brackets.

5A1: S. W. Beedle (6); G. M. Blackburn (3); P. Bradley (3); M. J. Brooks (8); R. Davis (4); M. G. Dolan (6); K. M. Eastwood (8); J. Fitzpatrick (6); M. J. Halls (8); C. S. Hill (6); B. Jones (6); A. Kew (4); S. Kirlow (6); T. J. Lightfoot (5); I. McGougan (5); G. F. McGregor. (7); D. M. McTear (7); J. Matthewman (4); B. P. Morgan (7); C. Patchett (7); K. I. Simpson (3); R. A. Smith (5); R. Toddington (6); E. G. L. Walmsley (6); C. F. Ward (4); G. W. Whitehead (7); A. W. Williams (5).

5A2: D. S. Bailey (1); J. Barlow (2); D. C. Bassinder (3); A. J. Bennett (1); V. Blades (4); T. Burchill (4); B. Conway (3); M. T. Dockerty (4); J. S. Elsworth (6); S. G. Graham (5); P. R. Green (7); D. M. Harrison (1); M. Harrison (4); D. L. Hartill (4); R. Horman (6); D. J. Martin (5); R. Moss (6); A. N. Parks (4); J. A. Pickles (4); J. R. Ramskill (5); B. Smart (3); H. Smart (3); A. Watkinson (3); J. M. Watts (3); G. Wilson (4).

5B: D. Boulton (5); A. Cooper (2); S. Couch (4); R. Crabtree (2); B. V. Dutton (2); A. J. Eades (3); M. J. Evans (1); K. Fox (6); P. A. Harrison (2); S. M. Henshaw (1); N. Holden (2); M. D. Lacey (1); H. D. Lee (2); I. A. Linley (1); C. M. Oxley (1); K. M. Peplow (3); N. Raybould (1); C. E. Smith (3); S. J. Spence (3); L. E. Tate (1); P. Taylor (3); J. Williams (1); R. A. Williams (1); K. Wright (5).

Sixth Modern: T. E. P. Baguley (2); H. J. Boardman (2); P. Brook (2); M. Frankland (2); R. D. W. Gill (2); F. R. Heald (2); S. V. Hunt (2); R. G. Lisle (4); E. Midgley (3); J. R. Mynett (3); G. Place (1); K. R. Rowley (3); G. S. Thompson (4); P. Thompson (1); A. J. Weatherill (3).

In addition 46 supplementary passes were obtained in July and 53 in November, 1963.

In all 436 passes at O level were gained during the year.

Governors' Leaving Exhibition, 1963: J. H. Dickinson; Governors' Leaving Exhibition, 1964: J. S. Harrison; Freeston Foundation Scholarships, 1963: D. Fairer, E. M. Holden, P. D. Lees, D. J. Miller, A. Rothery; Freeston Foundation Scholarships, 1964: K. M. Eastwood, M. J. Brooks, M. J. Halls, P. R. Green, G. Goldie; Governors' Travel Bursaries: J. R. Law, J. M. Cogan, A. Simmons, L. Hill.

Royal Life Saving Awards

Instructors' Certificate, Award of Merit and Bar to Bronze Medallion: C. R. Taylor; Award of Merit and Bar to Bronze Medallion: M. G. Dolan, D. McTear; Bar to Bronze

Medallion: A. Agar, D. Boulton, J. S. Elsworth, R. Freeman, M. D. Lacey; Bronze Medallion: E. M. Holden, B. Lockett, A. Smith, P. Smith, M. T. Wakenshaw, R. I. Westerman, G. P. Wilby.

PRIZE LIST

1C Form Prize, G. A. Field; 2nd prize, P. J. Hopkins; 3rd prize, R. Cusworth; Mention, J. Whiteley, P. R. Goldsbrough, C. Belfield, S. Gibson. IB Form Prize, I. P. Smith; 2nd prize, H. Carter; 3rd prize, H. Crane; 4th prize, P. A. Womack; 5th prize, K. Hemingway. 1A Form Prize, C. J. Faulkner; 2nd prize, J. Slater; 3rd prize, M. R. Anders; 4th prize, M. J. Jones; Mention, D. Allen, J. A. Roberts, M. Stones.

2Y Form Prize, L. R. Webster; 2nd prize, J. Timmins; 3rd prize, R. J. Pine; Mention, J. A. Timmington; A. C. Haycock. 2X Form Prize, L. Barker; 2nd prize, R. Gavan; Mention, C. Bradshaw, C. Wooffindin. 2A Form Prize, J. L. Spink; 2nd prize, P. G. Thornton; 3rd prize, P. H. Sherwood; 4th prize, J. Lancaster; 5th prize, C. E. Field; 6th prize, J. R. Baker; 7th prize, B. Wormald; 8th prize, P. H. Spires; Mention, D. Illingworth.

3W Form Prize, G. L. Sykes; 2nd prize, A. S. Plunkett; 3rd Prize, R. D. Webster; Mention, P. H. Dale, D. H. Lodge, M. Blackburn. 3M Form Prize, L. Colbourne; 2nd prize, S. Bradley; 3rd Prize, R. Backhouse; Mention, J. R. Hirst; P. A. Latham. 3A Form Prize, R. I. Westerman; 2nd prize, S. N. Madeley; 3rd prize, R. A. Hardcastle; 4th prize, P. G. Bostock; 5th prize, J. Edwards; Mention, R. L. Abel, J. Machen, I. J. McLean, C. N. Barley.

4W Form Prize, M. J. Timmington; 2nd prize, J. Carter; 3rd Prize, A. Smith; Mention, L. Trott; C. M. Pashley. 4R Form Prize, J. R. Myers; 2nd prize, K. Webster; 3rd prize, W. Stevens; Mention, B. Aisbett, J. Stevens. 4A Form Prize, G. Goldie; 2nd prize, R. Gibson; 3rd prize, J. E. Riley; 4th prize, G. Ward; 5th prize, R. Hurley; 6th prize, M. W. Lappage; 7th prize, M. Straw; Mention, P. Asquith, J. M. Pygott, J. F. Wright.

5B: MacKinnon Prizes for effort, K. Fox, D. Boulton, K. Wright. 5A2 Form Prize, Forster Prize (Phys.), P. R. Green; 2nd prize, R. Moss; 3rd prize, R. Horman; 4th prize, J. S. Elsworth. 5A1 Form Prize, K. M. Eastwood; Geog. (Parker), M. J. Brooks; Hist. (Swallow), M. J. Halls; General Progress, D. M. McTear, B. P. Morgan, C. W. Whitehead, G. F. McGregor, C. Patchett, B. Jones; Chem. (Royce), S. W. Beedle.

6M Form Prize (Dunford), R. C. Lisle; 2nd prize, G. S. Thompson. L6 Gen. Form Prize, C. R. Taylor. L6 Ec. Form Prize, S. D. Webster; 2nd prize, S. C. Hopton; Mention, R. P. Freeman. L6 Arts Form Prize, N. G. Sherwood; 2nd prize, D. Fairer; 3rd prize, A. K. Houghton; Mention, G. Ellis. L6 Sc. Form Prize, E. M. Holden; 2nd prize, E. Williams; 3rd prize, J. Tinkler; 4th prize, A. Rothery; 5th prize, J. G. Goodall; 6th prize, D. Harrison. U6 Form Prizes, G. Bullock, M. R. Carey, K. McNicholas; H. Gott Prize, P. J. Guillou; H. Harris Prize, M. Middleton; E. H. Dixon Prize, P. Johnson; A. M. Smith Prize; J. Cadman; J. A. Holden Prize, J. F. Short; C. E. Brittain Prize, J. A. Jones; T. W. Freeston Prize, H. M. Beckett.

Special Prizes

Cricket: Junior (H. Harris), T. R. Crossland; Senior (M. H. Blake), W. S. Harris; Special, M. W. Lappage. Reading: Junior, D. A. Tempest; Intermediate, J. E. Riley; Senior, D. Fairer. Music: Junior, M. Woodhead; Senior, V. Hoyland. Art: Junior, J. Timmins; Senior, V. Hoyland. Magazine (E. B. Haslam), D. Fairer; (H. Gimblett), J. Cadman. Handwriting: Junior, J. Heaton; Senior, D. Fairer. Parents' Association Prize (Head Boy), J. S. Harrison.

Champion House: Bennett.

THE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

It may seem strange to be reading an account of "The Christmas Concert" in May: the delay was caused in December by a sudden fog which led to the postponement of the concert to the new year.

The major work performed was Vivaldi's Gloria—ably handled by a reinforced school orchestra accompanied by the school choir. Joyce Partridge sang the soprano solo and, as usual, choir and orchestra were under the skilled direction of Mr. David H. Jones.

The second half of the concert consisted of performances given by smaller instrumental groups. Two wind groups played Mozart's Divertimento in G minor and three variations on an Original Theme — written by local composers. Notable solo performances were given by Mr. Philip Taylor playing the Praeludium and Allegro for violin by Paganini (edited by Kreisler), by Mr. Geoffrey Pearson playing a Toccata for organ, and by Mr. Brian Greensmith playing Hindemith's Three Pieces for 'Cello. The band played Gabrielli's Sonata pianoforte and brought the evening to a rousing conclusion with a selection from Sullivan's music for "The Pirates of Penzance."

Future musical events include the Normanton Schools' Festival of Music. The primary schools and also our own brass band will be performing on the 19th May at 7.0 p.m. at the County Secondary School. The secondary schools will stage their contribution the following day, the 20th May, at 7.0 p.m. at the Grammar School.

The last musical event will be the annual Summer Revue at the end of the summer term. Apart from the items that are doubtfully termed "musical," there are those which could only be termed: humorous.

OPERA FOR ALL

This term on 22nd February, a group on tour gave a performance of "La Bohème" by Puccini, an Arts Council promotion, in the School Hall. Tickets sold very well and the hall was packed.

The group thoroughly deserved such a full audience and rewarded everyone with an excellent performance. Most of the group were experienced singers and had done a good deal of acting too, and this was most apparent in their performance. They conveyed well both the gaiety and the sadness of the opera with the result that it had all the audience laughing one minute and some even crying the next.

Particularly outstanding was Bruce Lochtie (tenor) as Rudolf the penurious poet who falls in love with Mimi. His rendering of "Your tiny hand is frozen" was very moving. John Gibbs (baritone) as Marcel the painter seemed also to prove popular with the audience and perhaps this had a great deal to do with his fine duet with Rudolf in Act I. Sheila Thomas, as the pianist of such a good production, must also not be forgotten, as must not William Scott, the stage director, and Andrew Page, stage manager, both of whom played minor parts.

Certainly this visit by "Opera for All" proved most enjoyable to those who are confirmed lovers of opera; and most likely, for those who were newcomers to the scene, this production of "La Bohème" has served to encourage them to visit opera in the future.

OLD FRESTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

The soundness of any society such as ours tends to be a direct reflection of the enthusiasm and efficiency of its officials, and with this thought in mind, it may be that the Association is about to enter on a lean period. This pessimism is engendered by the news that our Secretary of recent times Don Pierce, who has been exceptionally keen and abounding in ideas for the advancement of the Association, has found it necessary to resign because of other commitments. We take this opportunity to thank him for all his good work. Unfortunately we have not been able, at the present time, to find a replacement for him in this essential office, and the Committee would be delighted to hear of any volunteer who would like to give a year or two's service in the cause. The duties are not unduly onerous.

The Association will be, meanwhile, in a state of suspension, but the Committee has every intention of staging, whenever possible, the time-honoured annual events and we ask all Old Boys to make a special effort to support them.

At this time, too, as we approach another outstanding moment in the history of the school—the union with the Girls' School—the thought must have occurred to many time-serving members: will this great change make any difference to the future of the Old Frestonian's Association? It is certainly a fascinating problem.

We were delighted to read in the Daily Mail recently of the appointment, at the age of twenty-eight, of Dr. Terence Wall to be the youngest professor in the North. He is to be second Professor of Pure Mathematics at Liverpool University. Dr. Wall, who had a brilliant career at Oxford, is the son of Charlie Wall and Mrs. Wall (nee Ruth Clegg). The Walls were a well-known family at school in the twenties and Charlie taught at the Church of England School before moving Somerset way. An uncle, Terry Wall, is headmaster of Flamborough School.

The annual cricket match against the School will take place on Saturday, 24th July. Would all intending players, full or part-time, and spectators please get in touch with Mr. M. H. Blake at School?

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The activity level has been low but the three events organised were financially successful, and the two Social functions were very well attended.

The New Year's Party was a resounding success with a record attendance of over 200. The evening was enjoyed so much by so many that another dance is to be held on the 15th May.

About 250 members of the fair sex enjoyed a Fashion Show presented by Mrs M. A. Tonks for whose hard work and co-operation the Association is very grateful,.

Our thanks also, to parents who provided jumble for the recent sale and to Mr. Bennett for collecting it. £19 was raised by this, event and during the term funds have increased by about £70.

Next term, apart from the dance, there will be a car treasure hunt on the 16th June and other events of which parents will be notified by circular.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations go to Mrs. M. Sylvester, J.P., who was awarded the C.B.E. in this, year's honours list. Mrs. Sylvester as the Chairman of the Foundation is always in close association -with the school. Her award of a C.B.E. for her work in the district is thus particularly welcomed by Normanton Grammar School with which she has such a close relationship.

THIS TERM'S EXCURSIONS

A SKI-ING HOLIDAY IN SWITZERLAND

A Monday morning, but not a usual Monday morning for the excited assembly on the platform at Normanton station. It was the 4th of January, a date eagerly looked to by each and every member of that group of boys, for on that day our Swiss holiday began.

Final farewells made, we were soon London-bound. The darkness of a winter's morning quickly melted into the brightness of a sunny day and it was a happy group indeed that left the boat-train at Dover. The Channel crossing was for several of our companions a very upsetting time, and it was an obliging ship's steward who packed a meal for the various unfortunates. A long journey across Europe from Ostend, through Luxembourg, Metz, Strasbourg, Basle and Brigue, ended when we set eyes on the tiny Alpine village of Randa, on Tuesday afternoon. A welcome meal at the Hotel de la Gare was followed by our first, careful, attempts at ski-ing; spills and tumbles galore have left indelible impressions upon our memories—if not elsewhere—and a tired but high-spirited party tumbled into bed that night.

The ensuing days were the happiest one could imagine and the boys spent every minute they could ski-ing, sledging, ice-skating, or simply walking on the snow-clad slopes. Our lessons were perhaps the most entertaining times, "snow-ploughing" lessons and "traversing" forcing themselves to mind, with their respective results. A thud, and another of our hardy companions had bit the dust; or rather snow. Trips to the nearby resort of Zermatt were gay and eventful—as those 6th formers who encountered Switzerland's answer to the hound of the Baskervilles, would willingly tell you.

Beer, song and games were the principal features of the nights. And bravely led by our gallant "master of ceremonies," Mr. Jubb, the lads treated the locals to such old favourites as "On Ilkley Moor," "Quarter Master's Store" and "Our Flight Sergeant." Pranks and "larks" added to the fun, and an "apple-pie" bed is a term with which we are now all well acquainted.

The time for departure eventually came and it was a long-faced group of boys that bid a sad farewell to our most pleasant host, Monsieur Trufford. Towering mountains diminished to hills, the hills to plains, and finally to the sea, and Ostend. A pacific sea voyage, a seemingly short journey to London, and by about 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 14th, we were in Wakefield, and home again.

One thing is very obvious when viewing the holiday in retrospect, and I know that my other companions are in full agreement on this point, that but for the cheerfulness and tolerance of Mr. Jubb our holiday would have been nothing. Here, therefore, we would like to express our thanks to him for making ours "a holiday to remember."

A. K. Houghton, U.VI Arts.

LOCO-SPOTTERS' TRIP

The coach, containing 35 boys and Mr. Lee, departed from Normanton at 7.15 a.m. on Tuesday, 23rd February. Pop and crisps were once more on sale at the rear of the coach. We arrived at Derby works at 10.0 a.m. and the party was split into two. The guides who took us round both gave very interesting talks on the general running of the works. Derby, Etches Park, Toton, Nottingham, Colwick, Annesley and Kirkby-in-Ashfield were also visited. The highlight of the trip proved to be Annesley, where a "Royal Scot" and 21 2-10-0s were seen. The coach arrived back in Normanton at 8.0 p.m., after a very enjoyable day out.

Keith Fox, L6Sc. (Sec.).

THE COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE CONFERENCE

Thornes House G.S., Wakefield, was once again the host-centre at which the Conference took place, but unlike last year, when both lower and upper Sixth Formers could attend, the participants this year were confined to the Upper Sixth Forms—about 200 students in all from nine district Grammar Schools.

The representative group of five Normanton boys set out a little apprehensive and sceptical as to whether the trip would be worthwhile (the 1964 Conference proved rather uninformative), but it was widely agreed at the end of the day, that the Conference had been a success, and a valuable aid to the understanding of Commonwealth functions.

This year's was the second Conference of its kind and took as its main theme, "Democracy on Trial," with particular reference to newly independent states of Africa (the theme last year was the "Plight of Underdeveloped Countries"). At 9.45, Mr. H. E. R. Townshend, Senior Organiser of Schools for Wakefield, opened the Conference; an introductory speech then followed from the Chairman of the meeting, Mr. Grundy of the Commonwealth Institute, and the programme began.

A very interesting and informative lecture on "Democracy and Totalitarianism in Africa" was the first

item on the agenda, given by Sir Walter Coutts—for almost 30 years an Officer and Minister of Administration throughout Africa. The two major topics of his speech were the One Party System in Africa, and the effect of extra-national influence within Africa. In the former, he pointed out that, whereas in a developed country, such as Britain, an Opposition can press for further development, in Africa, still politically immature, and under-developed, an Opposition could only act as a destructive, not a constructive force—States in Africa must have one party machines to ensure that development can commence on sound foundations. In the latter, Mr. Coutts admitted that with economic and commercial aid flowing in from Eastern and Western countries (e.g. Russia and Britain), some sort of alignment must occur with these powers, but that this alignment is confined to an economic, not political basis—the Africans, he made quite clear, desired to remain politically independent, adding that the African anyway, with his free and individualistic outlook would make a very poor Communist.

After a short break, the second guest—Mr. R. Hallett, also having held various Commonwealth educational and administrative posts—gave an extremely interesting talk about Nigeria, her political and economic situation and her future outlook. He dealt with a very intricate and confusing topic in a very informative and simple way, which earned him worthy applause from an appreciative audience.

Group discussions (about one dozen students to a group), in which the two earlier lectures and any relevant or interesting questions were discussed, completed the morning programme. Any questions about which the group felt it necessary to ask the speakers were written down by the Group Leaders and produced during the afternoon Question Time.

The Open Forum itself, lasting 1¼ hours, was particularly stimulating because of the wide variety of questions from the floor, and the equally competent and often amusing answers from the two speakers.

The Conference eventually came to a close at 3.30 p.m. and all seemed to leave the Hall profoundly impressed by the excellent speeches and answers given by Mr. Coutts and Mr. Hallett, and the evident devotion each had for his work.

D. J. Miller, U6A.

SOCIETY JOTTINGS

SCRIPTURE UNION

We can look back on a satisfactory term. It has been possible to alternate meetings for Senior and, Junior boys, with at the close of term, a performance of two Scripture Union soundstrips, which was attended by a number of girls from the High School. At the close of these soundstrips—an interesting new technique combining film-strip and recorded commentary — Brian Preston, a “founder member” of the group, added a few comments. We look forward now to September, and renewed co-operation with the N.H.S. group.

K.M.

ARTS AND DRAMA SOCIETY

This term has been one of the most successful since the foundation of the society over a year ago, and attendances have remained satisfactory, although there is still considerable scope for improvement, particularly in the lower school. At the end of this school year many of the present members will be moving on to college and university, and all concerned feel that it would be a great pity if the society were to fail through lack of support. So, please, let us have more younger members during the summer term.

The first meeting this term, took the form of a concert of recorded music, the programme including works by Rossini, Mozart and Bartok.

This was followed by a talk by Mr. Smart on Gustav Mahler, whose work is one of Mr. Smart's main interests. The talk was very interesting and well illustrated with recordings.

One disappointment of the term has been the cancellation of a quiz on arts subjects which it had been planned to hold during February, but due to lack of support the idea had to be abandoned. However, on February 25 C. M. Oxley gave an interesting talk, which was well-attended, on the growth and nature of film music, tracing its history from the most ancient musical accompaniment for entertainment right up to the specially prepared music for the modern epic.

One of the main talks of the term was on D. H. Lawrence, given, quite appropriately, by C. Lawrence. It was a very comprehensive and informative critical study of the life, work and importance of D. H. Lawrence, and was well received by all who attended.

The final meeting, a talk on the artist J. M. W. Turner, marked the beginning of a new era for the society with, the attendance of girls from the High School, a practice which it is intended to maintain.

Not much activity is planned for the next term, mainly owing to the G.C.E. exams, but a talk on Michelangelo is provisionally planned to take place towards the end of the term, and it is hoped that more can be arranged at a later date.

B. K. Tempest (Sec.).

THE LIBRARY

For the school library this has been another prosperous term. Just under four hundred new books have been accessed, and most of them are now on the shelves, among them a large number of welcome donations. We should like to thank Mr. R. W. Fisher for his very generous gift of some sixty books, G. Ellis (U6A) for his additions to the fiction shelf, and Mr. W. White, an old boy of the school, for his kind donation of ten books. Contributions like these are always very welcome, and any books, single or in truck-loads, will be sure of finding a permanent place on the shelves, where they can be of use to the whole school.

The library is now subscribing weekly to "New Knowledge," a colourful and interesting magazine-encyclopaedia, which may be borrowed from the store room.

The band of shelf-helpers is doing a good job, and it is to be hoped that their energy will not be diminished next term.

D. Fairer.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

While at first sight the aggregate attendance of this term's meetings is most encouraging closer analysis will reveal some interesting pointers. The three meetings this term have attracted audiences amounting to two hundred and fifty, but one meeting has attracted nearly two hundred of this total.

On March 4 the Society met its counterpart from the High School in a "University Challenge" quiz. Such was the interest created by this meeting that quite a number of boys had to be turned away because of lack of space. The quiz, and the female participation, proved highly successful and the meeting was enjoyed by all present. It is hoped that future meetings between our societies can be arranged. The attendance of almost two hundred was most encouraging but whether the interest was stimulated

by history of feminine participation is a matter for much speculation.

At the two other meetings this term talks were given on the "Growth of Parliament" and "Patterns of Change." The first given by the writer outlined the development of our Parliament democracy. The second, given by A. Rothery, dealt with the human element involved in history and the degree to which man's environment has dictated the development of the Arts and Sciences. Although these meetings did not enjoy the same numerical success as the previously mentioned one I am sure they stimulated just as much historical interest.

Although our activities will no doubt be curtailed next term by exams we still hope to hold some meetings supplemented of course by our annual outing.

G. Wilson, L6E.

THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

This term has seen the formation of a new society for sixth formers dealing with the civilisations of Ancient Greece and Rome.

There have been three meetings, all of which have been fairly successful. The first took the form of a talk by Mr. Johnson on "Pompey the Great." At the second meeting Mr. Butcher gave us a history of the Latin language. The headmaster, at the third meeting, delivered a very interesting dissertation entitled "Pompeii—the writing on the wall."

On behalf of the Classical Society I would like to thank our speakers for kindly devoting their time to speak at our meetings.

For next term we have planned a talk by Mr. Thompson, of Leeds University.

G. H. Soles UVIA (Secretary).

LOCO-SPOTTER'S CLUB

Only two meetings have been held this term. About 35 boys attended each meeting. At the first one it was decided that we would visit the Derby and Nottingham areas. At the second meeting final preparations were made. The trip took place at half-term under the supervision of the senior members of the club—M. J. Crossland, B. K. Tempest and J. Lee. Mr. Lee also consented to accompany us, as an adult was required when visiting the works. On behalf of the club I would like to thank Mr. Lee for making the trip possible.

No trip was undertaken during the Easter vacation, although many trips were considered. This was mainly due to the fact that British Rail are now imposing more severe restrictions on visits to motive power depots and we have been unable to comply with some of them.

Keith Fox, L6Sc. (Sec.).

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

I feel that a major break-through has been made this term. The society has not shown any film-strips, and this would seem to suggest that most of our members are interested solely in photography and do not come merely for half an hour's free entertainment. I hope we can maintain this next term, at the same time increasing our attendances, which have fallen since last summer. The society needs more support from the junior school in particular, and if they would make the effort to attend I am sure they would get far more enjoyment from photography. Support from the senior school is by no means good, and I strongly advise boys to stop asking, "What do you do at the Photographic Society?" and come to find out. They will be made most welcome.

Last term we had a general meeting at which we discussed future talks and decided upon the purchase of new film-strips. Suggestions for the annual excursion have been made, and they include Chatsworth House, Richmond Castle and Aldborough Roman Town. The society's portfolio has been reintroduced and is now circulating amongst the more enthusiastic members.

Two talks on criticism have been given, one on black and white, the other on colour prints.

Next term there may be a talk on cine photography, and a number of other meetings have been planned, including a trip to the school darkroom; but, please, remember that nothing can take place without your help—the society will die unless YOU help it to live and flourish.

C. M. Oxley (Secretary).

N.G.S. METEOROLOGICAL STATION REPORT FOR SPRING TERM, 1965

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April†
Maximum	52.0°F.	50.0°F.	76.0°F.	67.0°F.
Minimum	25.5°F.	25.5°F.	16.9°F.	28.0°F.
Average	41.4°F.	39.1°F.	43.0°F.	45.0°F.
Rainfall	1.723in.	0.746in.	2.483in.	0.008in.

* From 8th January.

† Up to 5th April.

The term began with a period of warm but rather wet weather. Compared with January of last year, we can see

a difference of some 15 degrees F. in the average temperatures, with the balance in favour of this year. Up to the 19th of January, the maximum temperature was 52 degrees F. with a total of almost 2in. of rain.

However, January became more like January at this point. Regular falls of snow were recorded until the end of the month. During this period a minimum temperature of 25.5 degrees F. was recorded.

February was quite normal—cold and quite wet. It was a pretty similar month to February of last year.

March lived up to its reputation of “coming in like a lion and going out like a lamb.” On March 3rd a minimum temperature of 16.9 degrees F. was recorded. The cold spell continued until the middle of the month, when it moderated a little. Then, from the 27th onwards, temperatures shot up to a new record for March (since recordings were begun) of 76 degrees F. on 30th March. This hot spell continued into April and at the time of writing still persisted.

J. R. Ramskill L6Sc., and D. L. Hartill, L6A.

LE CLUB FRANCAIS

Three meetings have been held this term. At the first, Mr. Machin read a French poem and an article on the French education system. Members now realise that they are not made to work quite as hard as they formerly believed. The members also played a game involving numbers, and several other word games.

At the second “reunion” L. M. Pierce, U6A, spoke to the club on his experiences in France during the 1964 summer vacation. The members then listened to some records, which were kindly loaned to the club by G. Goldie, L6Arts.

Mr. Machin used the third meeting as an opportunity to find out what members would like to do at future meetings. He also read an article on French flats and hotels. Then the members discussed French food and drink.

Although a few new members are now coming to the meetings, the club could still accept more members. All boys in the third form and upwards are invited to attend all meetings in the future.

J. Lee, U6Arts.

LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS

A BEACH IN SUMMER

I was lying between the sea and the sand, my back warmed by the sun, and my front chilled now and again as a small wave rippled under me and drew its cold fingers along my arms. The sea broke into white foam as it met the shore, and for a moment masked the sound of the sea-grass swaying around the sand-dunes like stiff, dry hair on the head of a monk. Their whispers rose and fell with the breeze, and their swaying gave a rhythm to the weird music.

With the occasional flurries of wind came the tang of drying seaweed, newly-landed fish, and the bitter, salty taste of the sea air at low tide; and high above, tiny specks of white against the blue of the sky, the seagulls hovered, calling mournfully to each other.

The heat must have weighed heavily on my mind, for I wanted to lie on the beach for ever; I should have liked to lie in the water till the sun sank down beyond the sand-dunes and the moon rose over the ocean to cast its own glow on all around.

I stood up slowly and walked into the water, knowing that one day at least would remain in my mind as perfect. I felt the foam hissing round my feet, then the deeper water, first pale, then clear and bright with the reflected sun. I could see endless ridges of sand, pieces of shell, and torn fingers of seaweed swept in with the tide. My dive shattered the mirror, and I cut the water cleanly and briskly as I swam along in line with the shore back to civilisation.

That day on the beach, between the sea and the sand, I discovered what life was meant to be, and had been from the beginning of time.

D. Fairer, U6A.

MAN WAS THE BEGINNING OF THE END

It's spring now as I peer through the five-foot thick lead glass windows of the lonely fall-out shelter in the Scottish Highlands. Usually, at this time of the year, the heather would be fresh and green, rippling in the gentle breeze against the patchy grey sky. The sun's rays would be wrestling with the clouds, breaking through here and there, and gilding the hillside. The larks would be singing their songs of praise to their creator, and the little burn would be splashing its way merrily to the still icy-blue waters of the loch. These are my childhood memories of my homeland. How happy I had been playing in the woods with the

smell of fresh young firs, and. the crackle of bracken in my ears.

But all this is a thing of the past. The spring of two thousand and twenty-five is an everlasting winter, an utter and complete end to all life on this planet. Instead I see gnarled and twisted naked stumps of decaying bracken, and black grotesque boulders covering the hillside, where once the purple heather had flourished, holding the soil together. The gaunt branches of the trees are naked and rotting in the valley below, and the sky is sickly yellow. It is raining perpetually, but every drop of rain, instead of bringing life brings a slow but sure radioactive death to any life which still survives. The blackened corpses of the farm animals lie motionless in the barren meadow below, and the once happy little burn seems; to vomit a blackened fury and vent its wrath upon the new boiling cauldron of the loch. I see in the little village of Blythe, a crumpled pile of blackened bricks, where once houses stood, and the bodies of the villagers, tipped into a deep hole by the few who still live. Wait! I see signs of life from one of the houses still standing. A mutant human is crawling on all fours to lap some death-bringing water from a rain puddle. I focus my binoculars on it. God! what a ghastly sight. I feel I am going to be sick, I mustn't look any more. Has God forsaken us?—No, we forsook ourselves.

From the beginning of time, living organisms have adapted themselves as well as they possibly could to their environments, and man, being the most intelligent creature, learned to adapt himself better and better.

In his early development, he used fire for cooking: spears to defend himself. As time progressed, he learned how to make animals work for him, till the land for sowing seed, draw water from wells and operate crude machinery for grinding corn.

He had learned a great deal about how best to provide food, for himself at first, but then his motives changed. He became greedy, and sold his food so that he could buy luxuries for himself. But this evil self-imposed cancer grew in his heart, and the more luxuries he gained, the more he wanted for the least possible money he had to spend.

As time progressed, many luxuries were treated as part of everyday life. Science progressed, bringing more and more labour-saving, devices. God was forgotten by practically all, and man adopted the principle of leading as enjoyable a life as possible. And the greed grew and grew. Science was being perverted to obtain energy as cheaply as possible for lighting, factories for the production of luxury goods, and

luxury home heating — “Human” beings had lost the emotions of deep feeling, only self-indulgence and self-gain mattered.

In nineteen forty-seven, the most efficient energy device was used: the nuclear reactor. It was found that certain elements’ atoms spontaneously split up causing, others to split up, and so on. The energy liberated was fantastic: a single gram of uranium gave enough energy to run a single factory for many years. This of course was put to use. By the year two thousand, there were about seventy thousand nuclear reactors all over the world, all providing energy, but all too shedding radioactivity to the atmosphere.

Gradually, the climate began to change, plants began to turn yellow, and many people died of “natural” leukaemia. But what did man care? He had power! The scientist would be out of a job if he didn’t comply with the mass demands. So the scientists provided the energy which was eventually to kill themselves and rest of the people.

Only when it was too late did the human race see what was happening. In two thousand and twenty, all reactors were shut down, and attempts made to purify the polluted atmosphere, but death had already entered the door to the earth, and nobody could save it.

And so to the present. Oh the irony that the most intelligent creature of the earth has found a way to utterly destroy itself and all others! I pray to God that if life ever starts again on this planet that no such creature as man may ever soil it.

P. Green, LVISc.

VIETNAM

In 1954, the French were finally beaten by native Communist forces in Vietnam, after a long nine-year war. After an agreement signed in Geneva, the Communists were to control the Northern provinces, and the southern provinces were to be unified into South Vietnam. However, the conditions that had brought Communism to Vietnam in the first place were still present in the southern provinces: the land was still owned by a wealthy few, and the average peasant was poverty-stricken. It was not unnatural that the original tendency towards Communism remained. After a short time, South Vietnam was indulging in a civil war, the anti-Government factor being embodied in the Viet Cong guerilla army, which was supported from the North.

At this stage, two outside nations, America and China, intervened. The Chinese naturally supported the Communists; the Americans naturally supported the anti-Com-

munists. However, love of Communism was not the only motive possessed by China. Vietnam is uncomfortably close to the Chinese border, and the presence of possibly hostile neighbours was not much relished by China. How the Americans got there—7,000 miles from home—is rather a mystery. Let us be content with the assumption that Americans have a passionate hate for Communists.

The United States is nominally supporting the right to free election in a country whose leaders will not permit free elections. They are protecting stability where there is no stability to protect—indeed, the Government of South Vietnam changes hands at quite an astonishing rate. They are not even working with friends; the Government has often stated that its only interest in America lies in the Americans' money and armed forces. The Communist guerillas are in a strong position, much of which is due to the popular support they have received from native tribesmen. The United States is in a position where it cannot win, and—for fear of losing “face”—dare not lose.

What should be done? Should the slaughter of guerillas and innocent natives alike go on? (Humane weapons, like non-lethal gas, seem to have been forbidden by the general public). Should the Americans continue to extend the war into North Vietnam? Already, they have tired of destroying the bases that supply the rebels. They have bombed radar defence-installations and are penetrating towards civil targets. One recent raid successfully attained the sole objective of killing forty-five schoolchildren and their teacher. Together with these and similar operations they vainly hope to win by “demoralising” the enemy.

It seems then that the only ethically correct course of action for the Americans to take is to go.

The favourite objection raised to this suggestion is that if the Chinese are allowed to “win” in Vietnam they will go on to overrun Cambodia, Laos, Thailand and other similarly-placed countries. But it must be realised that the Chinese have never yet won over a country without help from a bordering nation. Examples of revolutions which have failed because of lack of nearby support are: Malaya, India, Burma and the Phillipines. The Chinese may well win in Vietnam: they are powerfully close. They would not necessarily go on to take over the other countries I have mentioned, for these are safely distant.

It is to be hoped that the Americans will take the course of action which would entail the least amount of bloodshed and would not lead us into a third world war.

A. Rothery, U6S.

EXERCISES ON A THEME

The bay was a patchwork of boats—yellow and blue, red, green, black, orange, white, pink and brown—moving with the flow and ebb of the sea. Alexey looked in amazement at the huge field of boats and boats stretching out below him. Never in his whole life had he seen so many boats. And now there they were, spread in coloured glory, like oil upon a puddle. He had of course seen boats before, on the canal near Norton, but not coloured like these. On postcards sent to him by lucky friends he had sometimes found fishing-boats but they had only been black or white specks. But now, at last, thousands, hundreds of thousands of painted boats lay waiting for him. Even the white limestone cliffs leaping up behind the boats looked soft and sweet like cream-cake impatient for him to taste their grandeur. Being white they exaggerated the patchwork quilt which grovelled brazenly at their feet. At the northern side of the bay a rocky finger, half submerged in sea, pointed out to the horizon revealing shooting-gallery ships.

“They’re only boats, Alexey.”

“Oh! But look!”

“It’s only the sea.”

He gripped their hands and together the three walked down the sloping, broad, sandy path to the beach. All afternoon they spent the heavy time digging graves for trapped sea-water, and building castles and fortresses with turrets and gateways and coloured paper-flags. They left behind them at evening a whole line of forts. At six o’clock they left the sand making their way back up to the top of the cliff and to the camping-site.

“ . . . such a distance to remember, you know. I try to call up a face and I sense it, even glimpse its form, but only for any instant. And yet, although the people evade me, the events themselves remain . . . ”

After setting up their tent they went down to the beach about 800 yards from the site. The tent was cream-coloured. They didn’t return till evening. I cannot remember their name, it was Polish I think, the little boy was called Alexey—I liked that, I thought it a funny name. After supper Alexey went to bed. We invited them into our tent for a night-cap—at least my parents did—I was in bed. I don’t remember anything after that, I must have fallen off to sleep at once. I was woken at three o’clock the following morning. Torches, people running, paraffin lamps, shouting everywhere. Nearly all the people had come out of their tents with lights. Alexey had disappeared. His father was

frantic. His mother sat on a corner of her camp-bed knitting.

"They searched but found nothing. The police were equally unsuccessful. It must have been two days later—we were preparing to leave — when a fishing-boat arrived carrying him. He was dead of course; his floating body had been caught in one of the nets out at sea. You know, a body when it has been in sea-water for a while . . ."

There is a white shell in a glass case in a museum. A white hollow shell deep as a bay. It is intricately curved. No transience nurtured it. Because it curls within itself you cannot really see the centre. A white clean deep shell whose middle is in darkness. Such a shell has held the mind of men as well as seas—the sum of countless changes of water. The animal it once held lost something dear when it emerged and left it.

C. Lawrence, UVI Arts.

THE OAK TREE

Tall, sturdy Oak Tree,
How I wish I was as tall as thee;
And in the autumn when your leaves fall to the ground
And form a mantle, a mantle of russet brown,
I wish I could stand by thee,
In form just like a sturdy oak tree.

C. Wooffinden, 3X.

GOOD MORNING MODS AND SWEENEY TODS

Here is the tale of Stanley Steer,
Who dressed in all the latest gear,
With mod-type pants and chisel shoes,
Whose hair-style made the front-page news.

His curly locks in plaits he had 'em,
Till someone said "Excuse me, madam,"
And desperate convicts on the run
Took refuge in his 'airy bun.

His work-mates said, "Now nark it, Stanley,
Get it cut, look flipping manly."
They held him and with garden shears,
Cut his hair and lopped his ears.

His lug'oles now are in the lab,
An awful warning on the slab,
So hairy ones please don't be mugs,
You won't look fab when minus lugs.

J. P. Scott, 3A.

GALS IN CARS

Biggest menace on the road,
She signals in her own sweet code;
Points to the left—turns to the right,
Then swears that you are impolite.
While you're thinking "I could bump her,"
She nearly slices off your bumper.
To her the red light signals "go."
The green conversely tells her "Whoa!"
She argues with the traffic cop,
Whose very look would make you hop.
No wonder man is eyeing Mars,
To get away from gals in cars!

S. Allen, 5A1.

FROM THE INSIDE

It's dark; dark and sad.
Colours, daytime bright, grey and weaken;
A watery water-colour swims in hesitant tears;
Ephemeral rivulets meander and turn down the transparent
in between;
Blackened grasses bow in quick submission to the rain-clad
skies.
It's still, still and lonely in the cold outside.
Save for the clustered droplets, gather and fall on some
line or ledge,
Nothing breaks the patterned patter of slow tears and
timely weeping.

A. K. Houghton, U6A.

CHORD

Sounds, do not raise your heads
To strike me with dull laughter.
Find some other youth to rake,
And take your seed to him.

I'll not ask pity. What would be the point?
For I love the evening best of all,
When shadows are drawn long
And suns, flat as figures on this paper, fall.

At evening I shall leave the land;
My feet will lift themselves into existence.
Let the soil retain their prints,
Fresh in the unreflecting night!

For in a little while . . . what then?
The dawn, a second coming? or a third?
The imprints fade, and pages echo praise;
A triad now complete.

C. Lawrence, U6A.

SPORTS NEWS

A.F.C.

1st XI

Final Record (including 3 tour matches):—

P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Goals
					Against
20	11	3	6	67	48

All in all a very satisfying season for the 1st XI. The final record is an improvement on the two previous seasons and augurs well for next season. True, the backbone of the defence — Harrison, Tomlinson and Horner will be leaving but, on the other hand, no less than eight of the team which beat Blyth G.S. in the final match of the season should be with us next year.

The black spot in the term's record was an 8-0 defeat at the hands of Nunthorpe G.S. Apart from this, and one match lost on tour, the team has had a very successful Spring Term including victories against our local rivals, Castleford, and King's School, Pontefract.

School, represented by Walmsley, Yates, Horner, Harrison, Tomlinson, Lappage and Trott entered the Yorkshire G.S.F.A. Seven-a-side competition at Tadcaster, and in the first round pool defeated Penistone G.S., King Edward's, Sheffield and Salt G.S., only to be defeated by St. Michael's in the second round.

Colours have been awarded during the season to Horner, Soles and Walmsley, and I feel sure that three or four younger members of the team will earn their colours early next season.

SOCCER TOUR

Results

Thursday, 8th April	v. Heathfield G.S., Gateshead
First XI	Won 3- 1
Under 15 XI	Drew 1- 1
Under 13 XI	Won 2- 0
Friday, 9th April	v. Bedlington G.S.
First XI	Lost 0- 2
Under 15 XI	Drew 3-3
Under 13 XI	Lost 1-2
Staff and Boys v. Northern Counties T.C.	Won 3- 0
Saturday, 10th April.....	v. Blyth G.S.
First XI	Won 4- 2
Under 13 XI	Lost 1-2

P.	W.	D.	L.
9	4	2	3

Forty-three boys and four members of staff journeyed to the North-East of England for a brief end-of-season tour on 8th April.

On Thursday we visited Heathfield G.S., Gateshead and played three games. We must thank Mr. B. M. Mason (a former Normanton G.S. master) for making this fixture possible.

From Gateshead we crossed the Tyne and settled in at the Y.M.C.A. in North Shields. Here the food and hospitality were excellent.

On Friday the 9th we visited the North Shields Fish Dock on the Tyne and then headed for Tynemouth which has much to offer of geographical and historical interest. A coastal journey took us Bedlington G.S. (Bobby Charlton is an old boy) where an excellent lunch was provided and in the afternoon we played three more matches. Thence to Newcastle where a team of boys, masters and one old boy defeated a team from the Northern Counties T.C. by 3-0. Once again excellent hospitality — our thanks to an old boy, Hutchinson, for making the fixture possible.

Saturday, 10th April took us to Blyth G.S. where a 1st XI containing four 2nd XI players defeated the strong local side 4-2, having led 4-0 at one stage. It was very satisfying to see how easily the 2nd XI players adapted themselves. Toddington had never played for the 1st XI prior to the tour, yet his play showed great determination and promise. Miller, Midgley and Craddock (the 2nd XI goalkeeper who played at right back) also played well alongside their 1st XI colleagues.

This, our first large-scale soccer tour, was a great success in every respect and we must thank all those in the North-East whose hospitality made it possible.

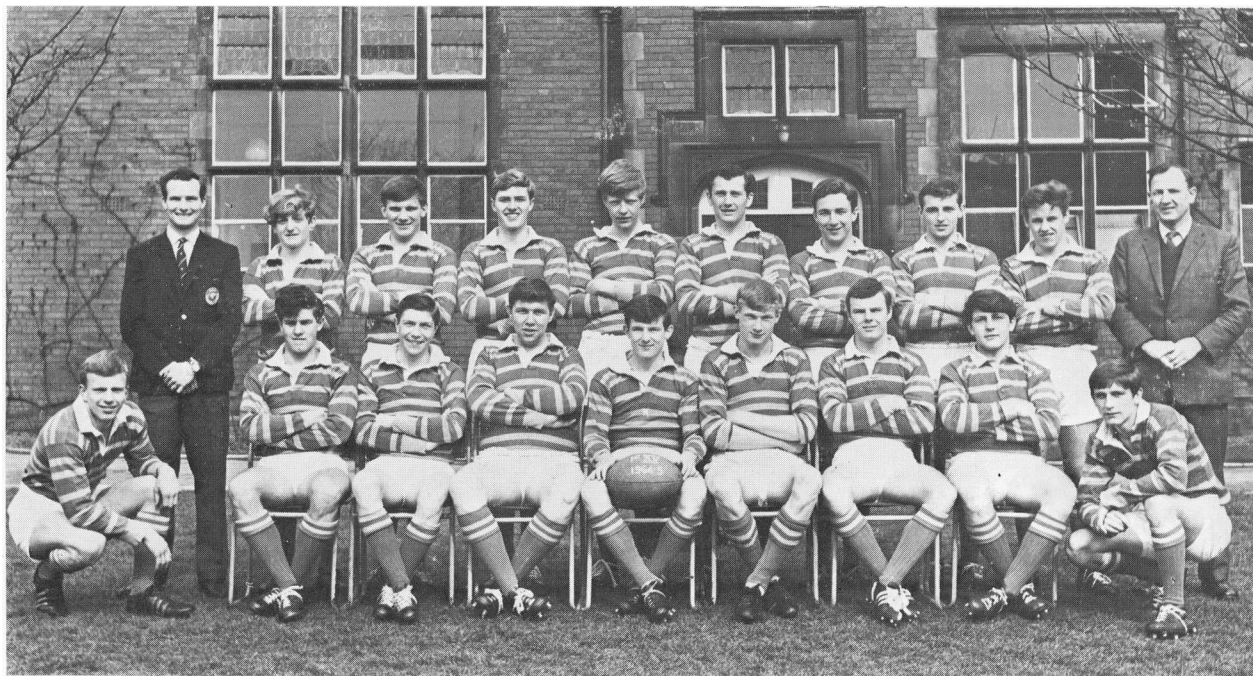
D.G.W.

1st XI SOCCER REPORTS — SPRING TERM, 1965

Saturday, 16th January (home) 1st XI 5 v. Ossett G.S. 1st XI 2

School won the toss and were set to face down the Pingle slope. During the first twenty minutes school found it very difficult to penetrate the Ossett defence and eventually paid the penalty by conceding the first goal. However, the sense of urgency was an inspiration to school and with a determined effort school's attack made the score 3-1 by half-time.

The second half followed very much in the same pattern with school having the advantage throughout. After Smith had scored the fourth goal, Ossett made an effort to get back into the game by reducing the arrears. The efforts were in vain, however, for soon after Soles settled the issue when he banged in the fifth goal. Scorers for school were Smith 2, Soles 2, and Lappage.



1st XV

Back Row (L. - R.): Mr. A. Jubb, A. Agar, A. J. Eades, M. J. Balls, J. Mathewman, S. Copeland, G. Goldie, B. Lockett, B. Jones, Mr. W. F. Moreton.

Front Row: R. P. Freeman, K. Crabtree, M. J. Brooks, B. Flynn, A. Parrish (Capt.), F. Dolan, J. H. Mynett, R. Davis, J. Tinkler.



1st XI

Standing (L. -R.): Mr. D. G. Wood, A. Yates, L. Trott, E. Walmsley, A. Smith, R. Chadwick,
P. Greenfield.

Seated: C. Taylor, W. Horner, I. Harrison (Capt.), G. Tomlinson, M. Lappage.



RUGBY REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS
S. J. Trigg (England Under 15) and J. Tinkler (Yorkshire Under 19)



COLTS XV

Standing (L. - R.) : Mr. M. Ruddock, P. Morgan, R. Gennings, C. P. Hollis, D. Peaty, P. Bostock,
M. Blackburn, T. Crossland, P. Eccles, P. Draycott, S. Banks, M. J. Crossland.

Middle Row : C. Weisterman, L. Colbourne, G. L. Williams, S. J. Trigg (Capt.), J. Davies,
S. Madeley, P. Davies.

Seated (Front) : A. Bellfield, R. Toddington.

Saturday, 6th February (away) 1st XI 0 v. Nunthorpe G.S. 1st XI 8

School kicked off in slippery conditions with a weakened attack, for Lappage, the leading goalscorer, had had to drop out through injury. As usual school were slow to settle down and soon after the kick-off Nunthorpe took a one-goal lead. After realising the fast pace of the game, school began to play very good football in mid-field, although they could not turn this advantage into goals. Nunthorpe, however, had two dominating wingers, and with their centre-forward, the captain of the Yorkshire G.S. side, playing a major part, were four goals in the lead by half-time.

The second half followed very much in the same pattern with school still playing excellent football, especially Horner in the defence. However, the scoreline was not a true representation of the game as school conceded four more goals by full-time.

Saturday, 13th February (home) 1st XI 4 v. Huddersfield N.C. 1st XI 3

The prospects of a very exciting match seemed very good beforehand, between two very evenly matched teams with a similar record. But owing to a very high wind the game never looked like living up to its expectations. School kicked off into the wind up the Pingle slope and attacked for most of the first half. But many chances went astray and at half-time school were leading by one solitary goal. The second half was more even and Huddersfield with some determined football managed to draw level on three separate occasions until the winning goal was scored by Harrison, the captain, with a high lob from the half-way line. Scorers for school were Lappage 2, Soles, and Harrison.

Saturday, 13th March (away)... 1st XI 2 v. Castleford G.S. 1st XI 1

School's team for this match was extremely weakened because of injuries, although credit must be given to the substitutes. The match kicked off in slight drizzle although this did not have any real effect on the game. Both teams appeared equally strong in the first twenty minutes but then the Castleford half-backs began to dominate the empty mid-field. This improvised team never seemed to click and with ten minutes of the first half left, school made a bad defensive mistake leaving Castleford with an easy chance to score against powerless Walmsley.

There was no further score in the first half and after the re-start school looked far more like a team side. School began to take command urged on by Mr. Whale and within twenty minutes Greenfield levelled the score with a twenty yards shot. Pressure was maintained and with a typical move Soles beat the Castleford defence, fooled the keeper and put the ball in the net.

Although Castleford remained strong the score was unaltered and school deservedly gained its first away victory of the season.

Wednesday, 17th March (home) 1st XI 4 v. King's School, Pontefract

1st XI 2

School lost the toss and were set to play down the slope at Pingle. Again, school were very slow to settle down, a feature which, unfortunately, has been present in many of the matches. Playing badly and completely out of touch school were soon a goal down. There was no further addition to the score before half-time although many chances were wasted. Shortly after the re-start school were very unfortunate to concede yet another goal. However, it was from here onwards that school gradually came back into the game and goals from Lappage and Taylor levelled the scores. School were now doing

The attack has been hindered considerably by the shortage of a regular right-wing (filled, at short notice, by J. Warren), and consequently has not been as effective as it might. However, on most occasions — as results prove — the forward line was far from lacking in scoring power, and both Midgeley and Davies have proved constant problems to their respective opponents. Dunnington and Toddington have shown marked improvement in ball-control, and have always given of their best.

The last match of the season against K.S.P. was a particularly crucial one as only 3 goals were needed to bring the total number of goals scored to 100. The match proved to be the toughest of the season, and the necessary 3 goals were only scored after a hard fight. Five times during the season the team has pushed the score into double figures — a very creditable performance.

Thanks and congratulations must be given to Mr. Davidson for his never-tiring support as trainer and referee; and as a token of its gratitude, the team presented him with a small gift after the final match.

D. J. Miller.

The following have played for the 2nd XI:—

R. Chadwick, W. T. Craddock, R. Davies, J. S. Dunnington, J. Gunn, D. Hartill, E. Midgley, D. J. Miller (captain), G. L. Moore, R. Toddington, M. T. Wakenshaw, J. Warren.

C. R. Taylor, P. Wright, and D. Madeley played for the team during the Autumn Term.

RESULTS

Autumn Term

v. Belle Vue G.S., Bradford (away)	Lost 3-5
v. Leeds C.H.S. (home)	Won 4-1
v. Holme Valley G.S. (away)	Won 8-1
v. Almondbury G.S. (home)	Won 10-3
v. Salt G.S. (away)	Won 3-2
v. Woodhouse G.S. (home)	Lost 4-5
v. Colne Valley G.S. (home)	Won 7-3
v. Salt G.S. (home)	Won 4-0
v. Holme Valley G.S. (home)	Won 5-0
v. Batley G.S. (away)	Won 10-3

Spring Term

(Matches against Almondbury (A), and Castleford (H) were cancelled)	
v. Nunthorpe (home)	Won 12-1
v. Huddersfield New College (away) (aband. after 15 mins.)	Drew 1-1
v. Colne Valley G.S. (home)	Won 10-1
v. Castleford G.S. (home)	Won 6-1
v. Batley G.S. (home)	Won 10-2
v. K.S.P. (away)	Won 3-1

most of the pressing and further goals from Trott and Lappage settled the issue.

Saturday, 27th March (home) 1st XI 5 v. Batley G.S. 1st XI 3

School lost the toss and were forced to play up the Pingle slope. In the earlier stages school were too over-confident and paid the penalty by conceding two quick goals. School's attack was making little impression on the Batley defence and by half-time had not reduced the arrears. Soon after the re-start school pulled one of the goals back and looked like beginning a new life. Immediately afterwards, however, the lead was restored and school seemed on the brink of defeat. The wind of change then blew school's way, for in the last twenty minutes they found the net four times, thus reversing the score completely.

Thursday, 8th April (away) 1st XI 3 v. Heathfield G.S. 1st XI 1

School, expecting a not too difficult opposition, fielding a weakened side for this game. However, in spite of this handicap, with all the chances that school created for themselves, the score might have reached double figures if the attack had shown a little more impetus. But school, playing at half-pace were never in danger and were satisfied with the three goals scored.

The first goal came from a scramble in the penalty area in which Soles finally headed the ball home. The second one was an accurate shot from Trott after the ball had come out of the Heathfield defence. Soles banged the third one in from a movement started by Trott. This was an easy win for school and a good start to the tour.

Friday, 9th April 1st XI 0 v. Bedlington G.S. 1st XI 2

School lost the toss and were compelled to play against a strong breeze in the first half. However, they adapted themselves well to the conditions and succeeded in keeping the scores level by half-time.

With the second half advantage of the wind school began confidently and in a hectic five minutes half a dozen shots went close to the Bedlington goal. However, misfortune then hit school. Firstly, Yates and Taylor were injured, forcing school to reorganise, the defence. Then, from a corner the Bedlington inside-forward headed towards goal where it struck a school defender and was deflected into the net. Nevertheless, school were not dismayed and even though they were playing with four forwards they went near to equalising several times.

However, just before the end Bedlington put the issue beyond all doubt with a second goal. This was a most unfortunate match for school, for when it appeared that they were beginning to sieze the initiative they were reduced to eight fully fit men and the task proved beyond them.

Saturday, 10th April 1st XI 4 v. Blyth G.S. 1st XI 2

For this match, school were forced to field a weakened side due to injuries received in the earlier matches. The game was played on a very slippery pitch and school's players were to find it very difficult to turn round. In the early stages play swung from end to end with both teams wasting chances. However, in a flurry of attacks school's attack netted three times, the scorers being Soles 2, and Lappage. It appeared that some of the old fire had returned to the 1st XI.

In the second half school kept up the pressure and Lappage again found the net after a well constructed move. Then, in the last quarter of an hour, unfortunate incidents crept into the game, mainly due to

the fact that school were very tired and had received a fair amount of injuries. School's defence gave away a penalty after being provoked considerably and then the referee allowed a second goal which was seemingly scored from an offside position. However, in spite of these incidents, school played some very attractive football and finished up worthy winners.

All the members of the 1st XI party would like to thank Mr. Wood and his colleagues for making this tour a most enjoyable and memorable occasion. We hope that they enjoyed it as much as we did.

SECOND XI

Results:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals	
					For	Against
Autumn						
Term	10	8	0	2	58	23
Spring						
Term	6	5	1	0	42	7
Whole						
Season	16	13	1	2	100	30

Without any doubt, it will be some years before a 2nd XI can claim to have had such overwhelming success during one season. The Spring term, as details prove, has been just as successful and enjoyable for the players as the Autumn Term (even though two matches were cancelled and one abandoned after 15 minutes, due to abnormal weather conditions).

The Spring Term opened with the 2nd XI captain, inside-left Taylor, being promoted to claim a regular place in the 1st XI. As a result, a reshuffling of the team took place: Miller became captain, and Midgley, Davies and Dunnington were permanently played as the three inside forwards. These changes had little effect upon team morale, and the same outstanding enthusiasm and keenness reaped justified rewards. In support of this, it is worthy to note that at no time during the whole season has it been necessary to list reserves.

As a team, the 2nd XI has always played in good spirit, always played fairly with the minimum of friction with opponents, and has always played as a unit. At times, things have gone a little hay-wire when defence and attack have not linked as they should, but this has generally been overcome by the will to win. The defence seems to have been particularly strong, conceding only seven goals this term, and one cannot fail to mention Gunn — centre-half, and on one occasion against Castleford, captain — for his "storming" performances on all occasions, Wakenshaw, Warren, Moore, Chadwick and Craddock in goal, have never tired in their efforts to succeed.

UNDER 15 XI

P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Goals Against
14	6	6	2	42	26

The team certainly acted whole-heartedly upon the advice given and experience gained from last term. They have had a very good second half to the season, maintaining interest and increasing their team spirit and ability to finish with an unbeaten term's football.

Much of this term's success has been due to a switch in positions. M. Glaze moved from centre-half to inside-forward giving the forwards that added "punch" and scoring freely himself. The half-back line maintained its strength of last term with B. Young very ably taking over the role of centre-half and D. Mc. Price moving from the forwards to play at right-half. Both Price and J. Edwards are amongst the smallest members of the side yet have filled the two half-back positions with great determination. S. D. Mosby and J. Bell have alternately filled right-back position and, with S. Varley playing soundly throughout the season, have eventually made an effective line of defence. The "find" of the season must surely be G. A. Gibson who has had a very good season as goalkeeper. He has gained a great deal of experience and with his height and ability should develop into a fine player.

The forward line have been well served by the two wingers, I. C. Hodgson and P. H. Groom, the latter being another "new-comer" to the side who has improved throughout the season. Hodgson's speed has been very useful on many occasions and linked with that of Glaze, the play of the other inside-forward, R. Backhouse, has been instrumental in setting up many fine attacks this term. J. A. Timmington at centre-forward has been a rather inconsistent "goal-getter" but with more speed of thought this ability will develop.

At the Yorkshire Grammar School's, Seven-a-side competition held at Tadcaster Grammar, the team were unfortunate to be knocked out of the competition without losing a game. In their pool they beat Nunthorpe Grammar 9-6 and K.J.G.S., Almondbury 9-1 but drew with Maltby Grammar 10-10 in a very exciting game and Maltby went on in the competition on goal average to later become finalists, losing to Castleford.

This has been a very worthwhile season's football and many of the players have shown a marked ability which should enable them to break into 1st and 2nd team football next season.

C.W.W.

RESULTS

v. Ossett Grammar (home)	Drew 1- 1
v. Nunthorpe Grammar (away)	Won 3- 0
v. Huddersfield N.C. (home)	Won 8- 1
v. Colne Valley (home)	Drew 2- 2
v. Batley Grammar (away)	Won 3- 2

EASTER TOUR

The Under 15 team managed to retain this term's unbeaten record in two hard and exciting drawn games during the Easter tour.

Fortunately, the heavy rain had stopped before the kick-off of the first game against Heathfield Grammar School, Gateshead, but the pitch was in a very greasy condition. These conditions were not good for football but the standard throughout the game was really first class, the defence, especially had a very difficult time but came through with flying colours.

Heathfield settled down first, a much larger side physically, and in the first half playing against the wind our defence found difficulty in clearing the ball. After heavy pressure on our goal, during which Gibson saved very well on a number of occasions, Heathfield scored a fine goal. The second half saw the team settle down much better to the conditions and the half backs and inside forwards setting up attacks to bring about the equaliser. Heathfield still remained dangerous with the long ball down the middle and again Gibson brought off some fine saves. The equalising goal came when Hodgson was put away down the right wing after work by Price and Glaze in mid-field. Backhouse was the scorer, who after over-running the centre from the right leapt backwards and in faintly Bremner style headed the ball home.

Conditions for the second game on the following day were nearly opposite, the pitch was hard and lively and a strong wind was blowing from end to end. Bedlington Grammar playing against the wind were first to score with the defence once again slow to settle down, allowing the ball to go to the unmarked left-winger who sent in a shot which gave Gibson no chance. Being one goal down for the second time early in the game, seemed to put more determination into the side and the game began to swing our way. The equaliser came when an awkward long ball was put down the middle for Glaze to run in and head into the goal. School kept the initiative and after a series of attacks Groom scored with a nicely placed right-foot shot into the corner of the goal.

The one goal lead seemed very slight in the second half when Bedlington playing with the wind started a series of very strong attacks. From one of these they equalised and Gibson left the field with injured knees (mainly a result of the first game) and Mosby, a full-back, substituted for him. Once more school took the lead after many attempts to get the attack moving with through balls for Milner and Timmington. Timmington moved onto one such pass, pushed it too far in front but the harrassed full-back put the ball over his own goalkeeper's head to put school once more in the lead.

In the closing minutes Bedlington put everything into attack and much good work was done in defence by Price, Edwards, Young and Bell. Mosby also showed pleasing ability playing in goal for the first time. He came out on a number of occasions to take the ball from the on rushing forwards and made an excellent save, pushing the ball past the right side of the post for a corner. During the tremendous pressure Glaze came back to help in defence and unaccountably found the ball in his hands in our penalty area! Three all; a fitting end, I feel, to a very good game.

RESULTS

v. Heathfield G.S..... Drew 1-1
v. Bedlington G.S..... Drew 3-3

Teams: v. **Heathfield** — Gibson, Mosby, Varley, Price, Young, Edwards, Hodgson, Glaze, Milner, Backhouse and Groom; v. **Bedlington** — Gibson (sub. Mosby), Bell, Varley, Price, Young, Edwards, Glaze, Milner, Timmington, Backhouse and Groom.

C.W.W.

Under 14 XI

P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals	
				For	Against
14	8	3	3	58	39

The season has been a reasonably successful one with only three defeats. One of these was subsequently reversed when Batley visited Normanton.

The forwards have played with determination and, at times, a surprising amount of skill for their years. The prominent goalscorers, in a team which has averaged over 4 goals per match, have been Milner and Greenfield, who between them have scored over half the goals.

In defence there has been an unfortunate tendency to make mistakes when under pressure. If this element of panic had not been so evident, I feel that considerably fewer goals would have been scored against, and the matches drawn could have easily been matches won.

M.S.

Boys who have played this season: — Armstrong, Chilton, Clare, Crewe, Earnshaw, Elleker, Greenfield, Haycock, Milner, Parry, Swallow, Timmins, Walman.

RESULTS THIS TERM

v. Ossett (home)	Won	7- 1
v. Nunthorpe (home)	Lost	3- 1
v. Castleford (home)	Drawn	2- 2
V. Batley (home)	Won	5- 4
v. K.S.P. (away)	Drawn	1- 1

Under 13 XI

In the team's unbeaten run before Christmas the success was, to a large extent, the result of Harris' prowess in goal and Fretwell's free-scoring at inside forward.

Since then the form of these two players has deteriorated and consequently the team's fortunes have been less impressive.

Only two of the eight matches played this term have been won. However, four of the games which were lost were by the odd goal and the 0-5 "drubbing" at the "hands" of Nunthorpe would have been less severe if the team had not been obliged to play throughout with only 10 men.

Harris, as I have mentioned before, has not been very successful in goal and must be held responsible for the defeats at Bedlington and Blyth, where the team played stoutly against strong opposition.

The tackling of Main and Pickles at full back has been good, but their clearances have lacked power and accuracy.

The strength of the team has been at half-back where Hinchmore and Carter particularly have played with zest.

Forward, the pleasing feature is the emergence of two wingers of real potential, Eames and Walker, although still First Formers, have shown the inside-forwards the way to goal. Walker was easily top scorer for the team in the Spring Term with eight goals. Fretwell, Blundell and Hanscombe the regular inside-forwards have been too slow to penetrate opposing defences. But all three have the basic soccer skills and will improve with more experience.

The behaviour of the boys has been commendable. I was pleasantly surprised to find two of the team washing up in the school kitchen, a procedure which, I was informed, they followed after every home match. Perhaps they will continue to do things like this, and not adopt the "take all give nothing" attitude, which predominates so often in sporting activities.

D.L.

RESULTS

v. Nunthorpe G.S. (away)	Lost	0-5
v. Colne Valley G.S. (home)	Drawn	5-5
v. Castleford G.S. (away)	Lost	1-2
v. Batley G.S. (away)	Won	6-0
v. King's School, Pontefract (away)	Lost	0-1
v. Highfield G.S. (away)	Won	2-0
v. Bedlington G.S. (away)	Lost	1-2
v. Blyth G.S. (away)	Lost	1-2

Goals

P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Against
17	10	2	5	51	33

Appearances (Goals)

Harris 16, Clegg 2, Pickles 15, Main 14, Brown 4, Hayes 6 (1), Hinchmore 15 (6), Preene 14 (1), Carter 16, Thackrah 14 (3), Fretwell 17 (17), Blundell 7 (8), Eames 4 (2), Handscombe 13 (2), Whiteley, J. 3, Speight 7, Walker 17 (10), Smith 1, Kirk 1.

Under 12 XI

Goals

P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Against
7	3	1	3	22	24

A disappointing second-half to the season, with the weather and other reasons only allowing one fixture to be fulfilled. Despite this lack of competition the team has held together and shown improvement throughout the term. Some of the team have filled places in the Under 13 XI.

S. A. Welcer has captained the team well and always given of his best at inside-forward. He has combined with P. Sheldon, the other inside-forward, to give first-class service to the rest of the team. The two wingmen, A. Bamforth and R. Eames both have the desired requirements of speed, control and accuracy in passing to make them into very good players. The centre forward position has been amply filled by S. W. Stenson who has shown, at times, a good flair for making the slight chances into goals.

The half-backs have had a good season and their game will improve with experience in this difficult position. G. Rudderham has the speed and strength, P. Lawrence the "steadiness" and M. G. Glegg the versatility of also having been able to play equally well in goal. In the back division, although of slight stature, M. F. Poole and J. Howell have both shown dash and daring. S. C. Carrington has also played in the backs and shown a good ability at the game. I. M. Ayris has improved steadily throughout the term as a goalkeeper.

The following boys have also played: P. Golding, M. D. Beddows and A. Strickleton.

RESULT

v. Nunthorpe Grammar (home)	Lost 2-5
	C.W.W.

R.U.F.C. 1st XV

P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals	
				For	Against
26	20	4	2	504	108

This term the side have gone unbeaten, although four games have been drawn. Over the whole season the record compares favourably with last year's when only two games were lost, The total points scored is well beyond the previous best of 357 in 1961-2, and the points against is only bettered by last year's team who let in 93 from 22 matches, although 108 from 26 games averages out better.

A long break in fixtures at the beginning of this term caused a lack of match fitness, and it was not until the Leeds Modern game that the side really got going. This was a splendid display of forward and back play in wet conditions and showed what can be done with a greasy ball.

The drawn games were almost always the result of forward domination by the opposition. With our rather light pack we are often shoved about in tight and loose, and the pressure on the half-backs prevents them getting the backs moving smoothly.

However, this has been a comparatively dry season and most of the games have been played in good conditions. With a good nucleus of the pack still with us next season, the experience should enable us to dominate proceedings more in the forwards when weather conditions and small grounds prevent our usual style of play.

Of the 17 boys who have played regularly in the first XV this season, 12 will almost certainly be back next year, including all the back division except Parrish, so we can confidently look forward to another successful season.

PEN PICTURES

A. Parrish (scrum-half and captain). He has been a very keen and energetic captain, and has led his side well. His service from the scrum is second-to-none, and his tackling, touch-finding and breaks have all been of a high order. His occasional slowness at the base of the scrum and his tendency to cut into a ruck of forwards have improved towards the end of the season. A.J.

B. A. Flynn (prop-forward and vice-captain). He has missed over half the games this season through a knee injury. However, when he has played has been impressive at the front of the line-outs and a valuable asset in the set scrums.

B. Lockett (full back). A consistent player with a strong tackle and a sure touch kick. He has a tendency to let the ball bounce before catching it.

A. J. Eades (wing-threequarter). A very fine wingman. When in full flight is very difficult to stop and has scored many good tries,

M. J. Brooks (centre). A clever centre with a good dummy which has enabled him to make and score many good tries. He is also a very good tackler.

R. Crabtree (centre). A strong running, centre with a good hand-off. He is an excellent goal-kicker and a prolific points scorer. His defence is not all it could be.

J. R. Mynett (wing-threequarter). The fastest runner in the team. He has used his speed to very good effect in beating numerous opponents on the outside, and is the leading try-scorer. His recovery after a mistake is often slow, but he is improving his defensive ability.

G. Goldie (fly-half). He has played extremely well in his first season of senior rug'by. He has got his line moving smoothly, made some very good breaks, kicked and defended well under pressure. A very reliable player showing great promise for the future.

R. Davis (prop-forward). A very good season. He works hard in the loose and his shove in the scrums is invaluable. A most talented player with a good football brain.

J. Tinkler (hooker). He has hooked very well again this season and, is rarely beaten for possession. He is a terrier in the loose both in attack and defence and is an inspiration to the rest of the side.

M. J. Halls (second row). A solid worker in the second row and useful in the loose. He is fast about the field and has played wing-forward with some success. He needs to put more weight into his tackling.

J. Matthewman (second-row). Also a solid worker in the scrums and quite mobile in the loose. To give his game more effectiveness he could use his weight more in general play.

S. Copeland (second row). In his second full season in the side he should be making his presence felt more in the pack. A very good low tackler.

F. Dolan (wing-forward). An excellent line-out jumper. He backs up well in attack and covers in defence. His handling and tackling could both be improved. He has led the pack this season extremely well.

R. P. Freeman (wing-forward). A versatile player equally happy in the back row or on the wing. He is a strong runner, very difficult to stop, tackles hard but often too high.

B. Jones (No. 8 forward). He plays a hard game in attack and defence, and his backing up has made him the leading forward try scorer. Has a tendency to run the ball into a ruck and get stuck.

A. Agar (wing-forward). A product of last year's Colts, he has had some useful games. Fast-breaking and strong-tackling, he is always onto the loose ball. As he gets older and bigger he will be a key player in the side.

A.P.

1st XV Match Reports

20th February. Wath G.S. (away) Draw 6-6

School were not at their best after a long lay off and mistakes were numerous. The only occasions when the ball moved smoothly brought two tries by Crabtree and Eades. The only other movement worth mentioning saw Mynett over the line but he unfortunately put a foot over the dead ball line.

24th February. Crossley and Porter (home) Won 18-9

Without Lockett and Tinkler for this games school were soon 3-0 down. Eades levelled with a try in the corner, but Crossleys went ahead again with another penalty. Once again Eades was the scorer of a fine try to level the scores at half-time. A further penalty put the visitors in front again, but from here school took over all the scoring. From a scrum near the line Parrish went over, and Brooks and Eades followed with tries to give school a convincing win.

6th March. Morley G.S. (home) Draw 8-8

School seemed to be moving towards another win in this game at Methley with a try by Eades and a conversion and a penalty from Crabtree. However, near the finish school gave away an obstruction try which enabled Morley to level the scores at eight points all.

13th March. Leeds Modern (away) Won 43-3

Bassinder stood in at scrum-half for injured Parrish and played a good game in rather wet conditions. The scoring was opened by Goldie who broke "blind" and scored in the corner. The forwards were held in the tight but ran riot in the loose and a fine forward rush resulted in Jackson going over for a try which Crabtree converted. The backs were handling the slippery ball well and Mynett ran in four tries in very convincing fashion. Further tries by Eades, Crabtree and Agar, with Crabtree converting five in all, gave school an overwhelming victory.

17 March. Whitcliffe Mount (away) Won 12-3

School kicked off against the wind. The first score came mid-way through the first half when Mynett made an excellent run to score in the corner. Just before half-time Whitcliffe equalled with a drop-goal.

In the second half the turning point came with a fine scissors move by Goldie and Brooks which resulted in Brooks just forcing his way over the line. A further try by Eades and a good penalty by Crabtree finished off the scoring.

20th March. Doncaster T.G.S. (away)

Won 25-0

Frankland came into the side for Goldie at stand-off. The game was played in pouring rain but school put up a reasonable display of football. Both centres Brooks and Crabtree scored two tries each, Jones and Eades also scored tries. Crabtree kicked a penalty and 2 conversions.

27th March. Thorne G.S. (away) Won 18-3

School were very sluggish in the first half and were only leading 5-3 at the interval. Crabtree had been the scorer with an interception and a 70 yards run to score a try which he converted.

In the second half Mynett scored two excellent tries after Brooks had carved the openings. Crabtree converted one. In the final stages of the match Flynn kicked through and Brooks gathered to score under the posts. Crabtree converted.

5th April. Nunthorpe G.S. (away) Drawn 6-6

In the first half school's backs were contained by their opposite numbers and the forwards were not very impressive. There was no score at half-time. The same pattern followed in the second half. Nunthorpe kicked a penalty following an infringement under the posts, Crabtree levelled the score with a penalty. Lockett gathered a Nunthorpe kick opened up and gave Eades a 50 yards run to score. Crabtree could not convert. In the last minute a school forward was caught offside and a fine kick by Nunthorpe gave them a draw.

LONDON TOUR—APRIL 6-11

18 boys made up this party for the 1st XV London Tour. **Wasps 7's.** A very fine show was put up by the school seven to record a win in our first sevens competition. The first round was an easy game but we suffered a great misfortune when A. Eades pulled a hamstring muscle. He was unable to play again on the tour. Apart from the final the second game was the hardest. Wallingford were very determined and tackled hard but school managed to win.

The final saw school defending stubbornly for five minutes, but Parrish kicked his side out of trouble. Brooks scored the first try with a brilliant individual effort, Crabtree converted. In the second half Crabtree increased the lead with a 60 yards run, but from then onwards it was all on the defensive, and St. Nicholas managed to get a consolation try. A very tired Seven were glad to hear the final whistle, they had played well and were deserving winners.

Team: J. Mynett, M. J. Brooks, R. Crabtree, A. Parrish, F. Dolan, J. Tinkler, R. Davis.

RESULTS

1st Round v. Wallingford II	Won 18-0
2nd Round v. Wallingford I	Won 8-0
3rd Round v. Surbiton	Won 21-0
Semi-final v. R.G.S. High Wycombe	Won 20-5
Final v. St. Nicholas	Won 8-3

The next three days saw School with 3 matches to play. A good start was made at Marylebone where Crabtree's kicking and tries by Dolan and Goldie gave a convincing victory. The second game at Wandsworth was hard as expected but with Mynett on top form on the wing School never looked like losing their grip on the game.

In the last game at Kilburn, School came up against a big pack. Heavy rain made the ground treacherous and School could not bring their backs into the game. Up to 10 minutes from time, the score was 6-3 to Kilburn, all penalties, but the ground had dried out quickly and School opened up play at every opportunity. They were rewarded when

Mynett went over in the corner to make a deserving draw of the game.

W. D. Taylor played a grand utility role, as hooker against Marylebone and full-back at Kilburn, in both cases showing skill and determination. In fact the whole party had given their best in what was a very strenuous tour, and to come away without being defeated was a performance of which every member can be proud.

RESULTS

v. St. Marylebone	Won 19-0
v. Wandsworth	Won 11-5
v. Kilburn	Draw 6-6

14th April. Old Boys Won 6-3

With Eades and Goldie out of the side through injury, School took on a formidable-looking Old Boys' side. The blustery and rainy weather was against good rugby but both sides tried to open out play and a close struggle ensued. School took the lead with a try by Mynett after the backs had handled well, and then Old Boys' equalised when a defensive mistake let in Conboy for a try. Freeman completed the scoring with another unconverted try for School. Midway through the second half Brooks had to leave the field with concussion, but School hung on gamely to win the match. Old Boys' team:

J. T. Hall, D. M. Johnson, R. Wilby, J. H. Thompson, N. Easter, P. Davis, M. Scranage, T. M. Conboy, J. M. Bullock, F. English, P. J. Guillou, J. S. Harrison, M. K. Johnson, C. S. Hampson.

19th April. Bridlington Sevens.

This was a cold, wet, windy Easter Monday. The School Seven were without Brooks, injured in the Old Boys' match. The first two rounds looked very formidable in that School had to defeat last year's runners-up and winners.

The first round against Sir William Turner's was easier than expected. Two good tries by Eades and Mynett in the first half, both converted by Crabtree, gave us a comfortable victory. A bitter blow was the leg injury of Eades returning and G. Goldie took his place in subsequent rounds.

The second round against Hemsworth was played in driving rain. School were given first use of the elements and used them to good effect to give an 8-0 lead at half time. The second half was very hard fought but School won through 11-8.

The semi-final was also played in driving rain against Goole and this game was also won 11-8. In the final School were seemingly very tired and only a shadow of their former selves. Morley had all the possession, handled and tackled really well and ran out deserving winners 9-3.

Throughout the tournament J. Mynett had some very good runs and scored tries in every game, and G. Goldie played extremely well in his capacity as reserve.

Team: J. Mynett, R. Crabtree, A. Eades, G. Goldie, A. Parrish, F. Dolan, J. Tinkler, R. Davis..

REPRESENTATIVE RUGBY

From the seven boys who went for a Yorkshire trial during the Christmas holiday, J. Tinkler was selected to play for the Leeds Area against Wharfedale; F. Dolan was reserve. This game had to be cancelled owing to a hard ground and Tinkler was selected to play in the final trial at Headingley. After this trial he was selected to play against Lancashire.

In the Lancashire game, which Yorkshire won 14-6, Tinkler had the honour of scoring the first try. He was then selected to play against Wales at Otley which the Welsh boys won 3-0.

Three boys in the Under 15 team, S. J. Trigg, D. J. Peaty and J. Davies went to take part in a North of England trial at Sheffield. Trigg was successful and selected for a North team to play in Nottingham. After this game he was selected to play in the final trial at Burton and subsequently selected for England to play against Wales at Twickenham, and in a return match at Cardiff Arms Park. Wales won the first match 5-0, but the English boys turned the tables and won 8-0 at Cardiff.

We extend our hearty congratulations to both Tinkler and Trigg on their County and International selection.

Colours

Congratulations to the following who have been awarded their colours:—

R. Crabtree, R. Davis, A. Eades, B. Jones.

2nd XV

P.	W.	D.	L.	Points	
				For	Against
23	19	0	4	483	148

In spite of considerable calls on 2nd XV personnel as reserves for the 1st XV, the success achieved last term has been maintained. The standard of football played by the team has been consistently high, and only on a few rare occasions have they failed to dominate the game. All who have played have contributed equally to the success of the team, a success which has therefore been achieved by team work not individual brilliance. Frankland, and in his absence Short and Holden, has captained the side well, both on and off the field.

The short tour to Nottingham was one of mixed fortunes as far as the actual games were concerned but all who went had a most enjoyable time.

I would like to convey a personal thank you to the members of the team, and to the reserves who have not had a regular opportunity to play, for their support throughout the season.

I hope next year's team can emulate the success achieved this season.

P.W.

Boys who have played for the team this term:—

Agar, Bassinder, Beedle, Booth, Foster, Frankland, Harrison, Hodgkiss, Holden, Hill, Jackson, P., Jackson, S., Jarvis, Pattinson, Martin, Pickering, Richardson, Rickhuss, Sparkes, Short, Taylor, Walker, Webster.

COLTS XV

P.	W.	D.	L.	Points	
				For	Against
18	17	1	0	534	40

This term's fixture list was severely hit by bad weather, resulting in only five matches being played. The first was a visit to Rotherham where Spurley Hey put up little opposition to the skill showed by the colts. The somewhat reshuffled team combined well both in set and open play, as was shown by the side running in twelve tries evenly shared by backs and forwards.

A fortnight later a strong colts' XV visited Q.E.G.S. where they met an equally strong opposition. Possession was scarce resulting in the need for a great amount of hard tackling. This time, the three-quarters, who made up for the lack of possession by the fire they put into their tackling, rose to the occasion.

After a long lay-off the colts next paid a visit to Wath, where the first half seemed to hint at a close game, school only leading 5-3 at the change round, but school produced some extra zest in the second half to run up a final total of 28 points.

The following week school played Morley, where the expected easy victory materialised, as did that over Thorne a month later.

As for personalities and outstanding performers the team has many, but prominent amongst these is undoubtedly Trigg, who in company with J. Davies and Peaty, was chosen to go to the Northern Trials. Trigg was chosen to play and Peaty was chosen as reserve to travel. Subsequent to his performance for Northern Counties, Trigg was chosen for the English Probables' team, resulting in his appearance at Twickenham for England against Wales, and again at Cardiff Arms Park.

Trigg in company with Crossland, has been the source of many of school's tries (between them they have scored 52 tries). Crossland's 28 tries have come by strong plunging runs. He, most of all the backs, is determined that straight running is the shortest way to the line.

At the beginning of this term Colbourne made a most successful change of position, from wing forward to centre. In this position he has added strength to the backs and has had some good games there.

The forwards have produced much varied play, ranging from excellent play against Spurley Hey to extremely mediocre play against Thorne. In the forwards J. Davies' speed and eye for an opening has given him 14 tries. The forwards have been rousinglly led by Peaty, who has contributed to every win, having 63 goals to his credit. Peaty

deputised as captain, when Trigg was playing for England.

As a finale to local games school embarked upon a new venture; 7-a-side rugby. Here they found out all too soon that this type of fast, open play was not for them. The forwards' quickly lost the stamina required and with it went the ability to back up other members of the team, resulting in loss of possession in a game where possession means everything.

The following boys have played this term:—

P. Davies, T. Crossland, S. Madeley, L. Colbourne, G. Williams, R. Toddington, S. Trigg (captain), P. Morgan, J. Davies, S. Banks, P. Eccles, R. Jennings, D. Peaty, P. Bostock, C. Hollis, A. Belfield, R. Westerman, M. Blackburn, P. Draycott.

RESULTS

v. Spurley Hey (away)	Won 50-3
v. Q.E.G.S. (away)	Drawn 3-3
v. Wath (away)	Won 28-3
v. Morley (home)	Won 24-0
v. Thorne (home)	Won 24-5

7-A-SIDE

v. Gotts Park	Won 15-0
v. Crossley and Porter	Lost 0-6

COLTS' WELSH TOUR

To complete the four years that they have played together the colts made a second visit to Cardiff.

The first game was against St. Illtyd's, where school played the first half into driving rain, resulting in them being 6-3 down at half time. In the second half brilliant play by both forwards and backs soon put school back on top. Madeley at scrum half played a magnificent game, as he did in the two other games, never wasting an opportunity to set his backs in motion, where Crossland played an extremely robust game.

The last two matches were played against the finalists of the Cardiff Cup, Cathays and Whitchurch. It was expected that the Cathays match would be an extremely hard one, but due to brilliant team work, especially by Trigg, Crossland, Peaty and Davies, School were able to score almost at will.

The final match was against Whitchurch, where School played much of the match with only 14 players. The Whitchurch wing-forwards were extremely fast, but Trigg showed why he had been chosen for England and it was he who finally sent Peaty over for a try under the sticks. Peaty later converted another try and added a penalty goal.

In winning this match they completed their fourth undefeated season, in which time they have played 66 matches, winning 64 and drawing 2. In the four seasons the team has scored 2,411 points and conceded only 111.

RESULTS

v. St. Illtyd's	Won 11-6
v. Cathays	Won 27-0
v. Whitchurch	Won 13-3

M. J. Crossland.

Under 14 XV Rugby

P.	W.	D.	L.	Points	
				For	Against
19	13	6	0	203	113

This term the team has been hit by illness and injuries and have had to play most of their matches without their regular captain, T. Bailey. Patchett took over the job of captain and also played well in his new position at centre.

There have been definite signs this term of an improvement in the team mostly due to team work. The forwards have played well as a pack and provided chances for a very able threequarter line.

Most of the matches played have eventually resulted with an easy victory for the school side. The only match lost during the term was a very narrow defeat by Q.E.G.S. School were leading until the final minutes of the match when the opposition managed to snatch a quick try.

The team managed to get a good victory over Thorne who beat them earlier in the season. This victory was obtained through co-ordinated team work.

One of the best forwards this season has been Baker who has improved tremendously, and Atha has always played constructively in the line-outs and loose play. Behind the scrum Parker has always played hard and courageously at all times and the wingers McNicholas and Barker have proved to be hard-running and determined players.

The following boys have played this term:—Hodlin, Barker, McNicholas, Baker, Bailey (captain), Frankland, Parker, Atha, Bailey-Lee, Patchett, Hammond, Pine, Anthony, Harrison, Longley, Allen, Cording, Field.

RESULTS

v. Bruntcliffe (home)	Won 9-0
v. Spurley Hey (away)	Won 15-5
v. Q.E.G.S. (home)	Lost 9-11
v. St. Gregory's (home)	Won 16-0
v. Wath (home)	Won 12-3
v. Nunthorpe (away)	Won 24-3
v. Thorne (home)	Won 14-0

WELSH TOUR

The team accompanied the colts' team on a tour with three matches against Cardiff Schools.

The first game against St. Illtyd's was played under very wet conditions and both sides found the ball wet and

slippery. School went ahead in the first half when Parker went round the blind-side to score near the corner. St. Illtyd's scored soon after and the game was very even until the final minute when the opposition scored a try just before the whistle went.

The next match against Cathays proved to be much easier and the school were always in command and excellent team work provided two tries for McNicholas who proved to be very hard to stop.

The final match proved to be the hardest. By this time the team was very tired and the opposition towered over them. School played against the wind and slope in the first half and despite hard work could not prevent Whitchurch from scoring. In the second half Parker had to leave the field with an injured back and reduced to fourteen men and a hard struggle it was surprising that the team did so well.

RESULTS

v. St. Illtyd's	Lost 3- 6
v. Cathay's	Won 6- 0
v. Whitchurch	Lost 0-19

Under 13 XV

					Points
P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Against
17	17	0	0	579	25

Up to the time of writing, with three tour matches still to be played, the team have won all their matches. This, along with their unbeaten record last season, gives them 28 games without defeat.

The secret of the team's success is that it is a very well-balanced side. The forwards are large for their age and surprisingly mobile. Five of the forwards have scored 50 tries between them. Thus with big forwards driving hard towards the line and backs able to carry it on when they are stopped, they have been a difficult side to contain. The backs have run in over 70 tries.

Goldsborough at full-back would hardly seem to be required. This is often the case, but when called upon he is a very courageous tackler. This term we have had five wingers for the two berths. Crawshaw and Rolbieci were last season's regulars, Bell has come out of the forwards and two transfer boys Waring and Grinsill have joined us. None of the wingers goes really hard enough to command a regular place.

The two centres have formed a useful partnership. Cusworth is a hard runner and the leading try-scorer, while

his partner Summers shows a lot of football ability. Another successful partnership has been at half-back where Roberts and Slater have created that vital link between forwards and backs,

Huften and Webster are sturdy props and play a good game in the loose. The hooker, Bridges, ensures plenty of ball and tackles really hard. Clayton and Brighton (2nd row) and Anders (lock) are tall, useful line-out jumpers and all play a constructive game.

Several boys have played at wing-forward. Faulkner goes hard and is the most improved player in the side. Tinker is another promising transfer boy and has played hooker on more than one occasion. Bullivant has played front, second and back row, while Barker, Heaton and Clark have all played wing-forward.

RESULTS

v. Bruntcliffe (home)	Won 21-0
v. Spurley Hey (home)	Won 33-0
v. Q.E.G.S. (away)	Won 11-0
v. St. Gregory's (home)	Won 14-0
v. Morley (away)	Won 19-3
v. Hemsworth (away)	Won 27-8
v. Temple Moor (away)	Won 25-3
v. St. Marylebone (away)	Won 38-3
v. Wandsworth (away)	Won 15-8
v. Kilburn G.S. (away)	Won 29-0

A.J.

U. 13 TOUR TO LONDON

Undefeated this season, the U.13 side travelled to London determined to keep their record intact. 21 boys made up the party and all played, which meant that the strongest side was never on view.

The first game against St. Marylebone G.S. showed the team slightly off top form, and some poor handling saw chances thrown away. However, a second-half improvement gave us a respectable win of 38 points to 3.

Wandsworth Comprehensive School provided the toughest opposition of the tour in the second game. They were a big, strong-tackling side, with one or two fast runners. However, School were slightly on top in the first half without many points to show, but again put in a second half rally and some strong forward play backed up by good handling by the backs, brought the tries, and School ran out 15-8 winners.

The last game against Kilburn G.S. was played under very wet conditions, but the School handling was superb and 29 points were amassed. This was the team's 31st win in two years rugby without loss, an excellent record.

The party stayed at Holland Park Youth Hostel, Kensington, and as well as playing three games did a large amount of sight-seeing, with visits to the Science Museum, a B.B.C. Radio Show, Madame Tussauds, Regents Park Zoo, the Tower of London and St. Paul's Cathedral.

A.J.

Under 12 XV

P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals	
				For	Against
12	8	0	4	219	67

The team have had a fairly successful term having won five of eight games played. The three games last were all closely fought and might easily have gone the other way.

In the last few games Harrison has made the full-back position his own with some sound displays. When he develops a longer kick he will be an asset to the side. On the wings Nowosielski and Barratt have scored 28 tries between them. When they run strongly for the line they are always dangerous, but too often hesitate. They could both improve on their tackling.

In the centre, Schofield and Hunter have both improved their handling ability since last term. They have a good eye for an opening but tend to be rather weak in defence. Not so the half-backs, who are strong in defence, especially Youldon. They give an excellent service and get their line moving well. Neither make the breaks that their speed will allow, but unselfishness is a good fault at this level. Green has also played at centre. His handling is quite good and he is learning to curb his natural tendency to cut through every time he gets the ball. Midgley has been a capable reserve scrum-half, as well as playing wing, centre and wing-forward. Morris has the makings of a threequarter, but unfortunately has been ill most of the term.

The forwards have played consistently well throughout the season and have generally acquired a good share of the ball in the tight. The loose play leaves much to be desired and concentration on this will be advantageous next season. The front row of Livsey, Rooney and Hanson is solid and hard-working and developing the right sort of fire in the loose. In the second row Kalic and Daniels have played quite well, but need more drive in the loose. Daniels has been a useful goal-kicker. Poundford has also played second row. He can tackle hard, but tends to be rather lazy in general play.

At open side Burniston has been a constant menace to the opposition and has been unlucky not to score more tries

by his quickness on to the loose ball near the line. Apple-
yard at lock is at his best with the ball at his feet, but he
tends to overrun the ball and is weak in defence. Riley is
quite fast and elusive and should make a useful back-row
forward. Others to have played this term, are:—Barber, a
good tackler but rather small, Nash who had a useful game
at Temple Moor, and Newman, also a strong tackler.

Generally the team have played well and the rugby has
been attractive to watch, but the lack of tackling ability
has been the great weakness. The team have trained hard
and been sportsmen on and off the field. The end of term
tour to Bridlington and Scarborough was a huge success,
the weather being the best we have had for this tour.

RESULTS

v. Spurley Hey (home)	Won	42-0
v. Q.E.G.S. (away)	Lost	0-5
v. Nunthorpe (away)	Lost	9-10
v. Hemsworth (away)	Lost	3-6
v. Temple Moor (away)	Won	8-6
v. Bridlington (away)	Won	24-3
v. Marton Hall (away)	Won	21-0
v. Nunthorpe (home)	Won	25-5

HOUSE MATCH RESULTS

RUGBY	Semi-finals				Finals			
Senior	Frobisher	3	Hanson	5	Bennett	12	Hanson	5
	Bennett	10	Freeston	8	Freeston	3	Frobisher	0
Inters.	Frobisher	17	Freeston	8	Frobisher	17	Bennett	3
	Bennett	3	Freeston	0	Freeston	9	Hanson	0
Junior	Hanson	18	Frobisher	10	Bennett	15	Hanson	5
	Bennett	28	Freeston	0	Frobisher	21	Freeston	6
SOCCER								
Senior	Bennett	2	Frobisher	10	Frobisher	4	Freeston	1
	Freeston	5	Hanson	1	Hanson	0	Bennett	2
Inters.	Bennett	5	Hanson	2	Bennett	1	Frobisher	4
	Frobisher	3	Freeston	0	Hanson	0	Freeston	7
Junior	Hanson	3	Freeston	3	Bennett	4	Hanson	2
	Bennett	3	Frobisher	2	Freeston	0	Frobisher	4

CROSS-COUNTRY

SENIOR CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM

RESULTS

N.G.S. v. Huddersfield New College (home)	Lost 25-62
N.G.S. v. Silcoates (away)	Lost 26-61

Due to cancellations we have, excluding the big meetings, only had two matches this term, both with somewhat catastrophic results. Cook has again been running well finishing second in both of these matches but has received very little support from other team members.,

On the other hand team spirit has been good, as was shown at Disley where the stalwarts of the team did their best to support their captain, all obtaining respectable final positions.

Under 14 CROSS-COUNTRY

Results

Yorkshire Schools Cross-country Championships at Rotherham (132 runners) (Sykes 85th, Atha 96th). v. Huddersfield New College (h.)	Won 32-51
Northern Schools Championships at Disley (762 runners from 127 schools).	

Team position 45th (Sykes 123rd, Atha 136th).

This has been the best season ever for this team which has remained unbeaten throughout the season in individual school competitions. They have always been one of the keenest of the cross-country teams and the overall strength of the team can be seen in the fact that all but one member has achieved an "A" standard for cross-country this season.

D. M. Sykes, the captain, had been a very good example to his team throughout the season, gaining the highest positions for his team in all races. He has been very ably backed-up in the higher positions by D. Beaumont, A. M. Atha, M. Harrison, and R. S. Preston, but we must remember that this is a team event and the following have also given valuable service throughout the season: K. Chalkley, J. Slater, A. Slater, M. Blackburn, and S. Pollard. C.W.W.

HOUSE CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1965

508 boys ran in their respective races this year. Bennett, who had won the overall championship for the last 8 years, were toppled from their perch by Frobisher. Snow-covered courses made the going difficult and no new records were established.

Overall Result—

1st Frobisher	3,271
2nd Bennett	3,858
3rd Freeston	3,926
4th Hanson	4,319

The 4 miles senior race was battled out by Freeman and Cook. Freeman broke clear near the finish to leave Cook without a reply. Freeman's time was 25 min. 43 sec. Townend came 3rd, Dolan 4th, Gill 5th and Houghton 6th. Frobisher won the team event comfortably with 25 runners packed into the first 59 places.

Senior Race—

1st Frobisher	889
2nd Freeston	1,292
3rd Bennett	1,483
4th Hanson	1,535

In the Intermediate race over 3 miles, Williams won without being challenged, in 18 min. 53 sec. Two third formers, Milner (2nd) and Atha (3rd) ran extremely well, with Hall in 4th place, Beaumont 5th, and Chalkley 6th.

Inter Race—

1st Frobisher	1,061
2nd Freeston	1,272
3rd Bennett	1,281
4th Hanson	1,480

In the junior race over 2 miles, Roberts came first in 14 min. 15 sec., closely followed by Schofield in 2nd place an excellent run for a first former; Slater (3rd), Ferguson (4th), Harrison (5th), and Main (6th), also ran well.

Junior Race—

1st Bennett	1,094
2nd Hanson	1,304
3rd Frobisher	1,321
4th Freeston	1,362

THE NORTHERN SCHOOLS' CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Saturday, 20th March, our four teams, accompanied by a number of enthusiastic spectators from the junior school, set out for Disley in driving snow and rain. The snow continued to fall throughout the racing and, needless to say, conditions were not very conducive to fast times. Nevertheless our teams obtained very respectable results in all races and it should be remembered that in all the events the competitors ranged in number from over 500 to over 700.

The best individual result was attained by D. T. Cook, the captain of the Senior Team, who finished 83rd in a field of 570 runners. The other members of the Senior Team had probably what was their best race of the season and they supported their captain very ably.

The best team result was that of the Under 14 team which came 45th out of 127 teams. D. M. Sykes, their captain, came 123rd out of 762, and was closely followed by A. M. Atha.

The Under 13 and Under 16 teams also made laudable efforts although the latter was handicapped by having only four members. J. Slater ran well for the Under 13s, as did J. R. Myers for the Under 16s, who has also been a regular member of the Senior Team.

The enthusiasm and the team spirit of all our competitors made the trip very worth-while and enjoyable.

G.T.H.

Results

Senior—

Team 56th out of 95 teams (570 runners).

1—Cook	83rd
2—Gill	256th
3—McTear	303rd
4—Houghton	365th
5—Wilson	390th
6—Horman	397th

Under 16—

Team 74th out of 121 teams (726 runners)

1—Myers	244th
2—Trott	284th
3—Hall	342nd
4—Greenfield	350th

Under 14—

Team 45th out of 127 teams (762 runners)

1—Sykes	123rd
2—Atha	136th
3—Beaumont	279th
4—Milner	339th
5—Edwards	353rd
6—Preston	391st

Under 13—

Team 70th out of 122 teams (732 runners).

1—Slater, J. A.	188th
2—Roberts, J. A.	262nd
3—Waring	360th
4—Ferguson	456th
5—Cranswick	598th
6—Blundell	611th

HOCKEY

Although the number of people playing hockey regularly remains unchanged, interest in the game seems to be increasing. A game has been played between the "two cultures" of the 6th form, the scientists being victors by three goals to two. Our thanks to Mr. King and J. R. Law for umpiring the match. Perhaps we shall not, when we pass out of the school, leave our hockey-sticks unused!

N. G. Sherwood, U.VI Arts.

Match Result

27th Feb. School 1st XI v. Nunthorpe G.S. 2nd XI (away)
Won 3-0

School faced a strengthened Nunthorpe 2nd XI and in the opening minutes of the game were hard-pressed. After five minutes' play school became more settled and several attacks were made, none of which resulted in goals, however, and the first half passed with neither team having scored.

In the second half, however, school dominated play, and two splendid moves by School's defence — both splitting the Nunthorpe defence wide open — resulted in two goals by Stephens. Tempest seized his opportunity shortly afterwards and added another goal. For the rest of the game Nunthorpe were on the defensive, and school emerged deservedly victorious in the first official hockey game played by Normanton.

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