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EDITORIAL

There will be general agreement about the idea that in any group activity there must exist both an overall discipline and at the same time a tolerance of individual qualities. This concept is valid on the rugby field, on the soccer field, on the cricket field; it is valid on the roads, in the air, on the sea; it is also valid in the classroom. There are rules for sport, and those who play accept them, for the rules form part of the challenge. A more obvious case is behaviour on the roads. If one fails to conform to the rules, the consequences can be serious. To deliberately ignore the rules is to court disaster. The referee and the policeman both work on the assumption that the rules are known, and ignorance is no excuse. In the classroom however the rules of subject learning have to be taught and at the same time observance of the rules has to be ensured. There is then in the classroom both a teaching process and a controlling of learning. In this complex situation there can be no clear definition of the point at which the pupil can be said to have fully grasped the rules and the need for them, for such an understanding demands a certain maturity.

MR. ALAN H. ALDOUS, M.A.

After eleven years as Headmaster of The King's School, Mr. Aldous leaves to take up in September his new position as Headmaster of Leeds Grammar School.

Mr. Aldous was born and attended school in Ilford. His war service took him to India and Burma with the Royal Signals. Subsequently he graduated in English at Jesus College, Oxford. Before coming to Pontefract he held teaching posts at St. Dunstan's College, and Merchant Taylor's School, Crosby.

During his time in the School, Mr. Aldous has been dedicated to the ideals of the grammar school. The best academic standards have been fostered and courses have been designed to help boys reach the standards required for entry to university and other places of further education. To offset the otherwise restrictive nature of specialist courses an imaginative and wide-ranging General Studies course has been evolved in the Sixth Form.

Each department in the School has been allowed to develop naturally and the staff have always been encouraged to make individual contributions to the life of the School. Sport, Drama, and many societies have flourished. Music has received particular encouragement from the Headmaster.

A good relationship between parents and the School has been built up and regular Parents' Meetings have ensured valuable communication in the years leading up to O level.

We extend to Mr. Aldous our appreciation for the selfless devotion to principle which has characterized his work in the School, and our respect for the standards he has set. We offer our sincere good wishes to him and his family as they prepare to move from Pontefract.

Valuable too are individual qualities, and it is on the field of sport that the individual is able to distinguish himself so clearly, both by performance and by his 'sporting' attitude. The motorist is free to choose his route, and the standard of his driving lies entirely in his own hands. The pupil is encouraged to study within the limits of his own ability and in the years leading up to O level is given a choice of subjects which permit a course of study more closely suited to the individual.

The number of boys who decide to follow a Sixth Form course indicate both a willingness to accept the rules necessary for subject study and a fair understanding of the need for them. Why then do a few, as soon as they have entered the Sixth Form, adopt an attitude which conflicts with such an understanding? What is it that causes them to avoid an involvement in School life and to feign an aloofness which ill befits? The vast majority of boys willingly accept the situation as they find it, in that it is there primarily for their needs and benefit. Why then do a few apparently not wish to become involved? Let them at least articulate clearly and intelligently voice their opinions. Debate is healthy, and they would find many a worthy foil among their own peers.

School News

Mr. W. K. TINSLEY

We greatly regret to tell you of the death on June 25th of Mr. Tinsley, whose retirement through ill health was reported here last year. We wish to express our sorrow at his death and our gratitude for his long and deeply valued service to the School.

The new Headmaster of the King's School will be Mr. J. G. W. Peck, who was Deputy Headmaster at Cranbrook School in Kent. He will take up his appointment in September, and we offer him a warm welcome.

Ald. J. Blackburn, O.B.E., J.P., who has been ill recently, has our best wishes for a speedy recovery. Mr. W. Myers's wife has also been ill and we offer her too our wishes for an early return to good health.

At the end of this term we say goodbye to two masters, both of whom were members of the English department. Mr. H. M. Hebditch takes up in September his new post as second in the English Department at Cleeve Comprehensive School in Gloucestershire. During his four years here Mr. Hebditch has been much involved in School Drama; he has produced both Junior and Main School Plays, and many will recall the successful productions of 'Captain Swing' and 'A Man of all Seasons'. Mr. K. J. Toy leaves to join the English Department and be in charge of Drama at Leek High School in Staffordshire. He has

in his four years with us also been very involved in Drama, not only as a producer but also as a very effective sound-effects man. Mr. Toy had charge of the Under 14 Cricket XI throughout his time here and ran the lively Junior Debating Society. Both men have given much of value to the School and we wish them and their families every success in the future.

Each year we bid farewell at this time to our two language assistants. M. Michel Horst returns to complete his studies and hopes to begin teaching English and Italian in 1971. Herr Gerd Pöetters also hopes to teach; in his case the subjects will be English and French, and he does not expect to start teaching until 1973. We have greatly appreciated their hard work for the boys, and we trust that they have made many friends. Chess certainly has had a continental flavour in recent months. We offer them both sincere best wishes for their future careers.

Mrs. Wood, who has been Laboratory Technician in the school for the last two years, also leaves this month since her husband's work is taking them out of the area. She leaves with our best wishes.

The West Riding Orchestra visited the School recently and played to the younger boys. The performance was well received and offered a high standard of music.

Parents' Meetings have again been held during the last few months, and they have involved parents of boys in their first, second, fourth, and fifth year. A pleasing response was had at all the meetings which

consolidated the already strong link between parents and the School.

This term a talk was given to the younger boys by a representative of the British and Foreign Bible Society, who offered an informative background about the Bible and the work involved in its production in various languages.

The School took part in the Ilkley Sevens again this year, and a report on the games can be found on another page. The School field has this year presented particular problems of drainage once again, and the efforts of the groundsmen to cope with this very difficult situation have been excellent.

A detailed document has been produced by the English Department on the subject of General Studies in the Sixth Form. It provides a good idea of the work already being done in this field and can also be used as a source for further inspiration. It collates much information from various departments, and its value is self-evident.

Four boys have distinguished themselves in sport in recent months. In cricket, Bell and Kelsey played in the Under 15 Yorkshire Schoolboys' XI at half-term. The team played games against Cheshire and Lincolnshire. In athletics, Russell and Spears both became Yorkshire Schools Champions in their individual events in the recent Championships. Russell ran the 400 metres in 52.2 seconds and Spears in the Triple Jump cleared 45' 1". Spears may well be representing England soon in an athletics match in Dublin.

THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL CONCERT

The twentieth Annual Concert was given in the Assembly Rooms on March 24th, as part of the 500th Mayoral Celebrations. From the proceeds a trophy has been purchased for the Pontefract Music Festival in commemoration of the year of office of the 500th Mayor.

The Band, augmented for the occasion, contributed a number of items to the programme, most notably Finlandia by Sibelius and the 1812 Overture by Tchaikovsky. Songs were performed by First and Second Form Choirs, and there were instrumental solos and ensembles. S. Norfolk gave a stylish account of two movements from the Trombone Concerto of Rimsky Korsakov. M. Adams (flute) played Sicilienne by Fauré. Junior instrumentalists were represented by P. Hill and M. Pickersgill, who played flute duets.

The Priory Singers contributed three items, Serenade to Music by Vaughan Williams, In Exitu Israel an eight-part motet by S. Wesley, and Choral Dances from Gloriana by Britten.

The second half of the programme contained some lighter items, including pieces for the Band by Sousa and Leroy Anderson. The Concert ended with Easter Hymn from Cavalleria Rusticana by Mascagni, in which the School Choirs, the Band, and the Priory Singers joined.

After the performance, the new trophy, which is a replica of a 16th century alms dish, was presented to the Mayor, Alderman Blackburn.

This has proved to be the last concert given during the Headmastership of Mr. Aldous. We thank him for the encouragement he has given to Music in the School, and for the establishment of the Margaret Aldous Fund for Music, through which individual boys will be helped in the future to further their musical interests.

Spoken English Competition (Senior Section)

The competition, open to all members of the Sixth Form, was again arranged on a voluntary basis and, although there were fewer entries, the standard of the finalists was commendably high. The final took place in the School Hall on Friday, March 20th, 1970, and members of the Sixth and Fifth Forms made up the audience.

With the emphasis on Conservation this year, it was not surprising that two of the speakers dealt with aspects of the dangers of waste matter and pollution. J. A. C. Horsfall spoke first on the subject of 'Explosive Demolition' and set a high standard. As last year he avoided the pitfalls of excessive technicalities and produced a well-organised and informative talk. He was followed by A. R. C. Savell, who spoke on 'Aborigines', an unusual and interesting topic which was handled with confidence. 'Sewage Disposal', which was P. B. Merry's subject, did not, perhaps, suggest the possibility of a congenial five minutes, but Merry gave us a clear and forceful exposition of the various processes involved, establishing the necessity for teaching this subject with the respect it deserves. J. Tams launched himself on an impressive attack against the polluters with the provocative title 'The Poisoned Panorama'. Using a variety of rhetorical gestures and inflexions without degenerating into the burlesque he built up a strong interest in his audience which was sustained throughout. In the opinion of the panel his mixture of fact and argument allied to a clear delivery eminently qualified him to share the prize with the next speaker, S. R. Knapton, who gave a polished and fluent speech on 'Redcliffe Maude in West Yorkshire'. Each of the last two speakers was so effective in his own way that the panel recommended the award of the full value of the prize to each speaker.

The results were:-

S. R. Knapton and J. Tams - Equal First
J. A. C. Horsfall - Third

Speech Day

Speech Day this year was held on Thursday, 30th April, and the address was given by the Venerable George Youell, M.A., Archdeacon of Stoke-upon-Trent and former Chaplain of the University of Keele.

The Chairman of the Governors, Alderman J. Blackburn, O.B.E., J.P., Mayor of Pontefract, in his opening remarks, expressed surprise and pleasure at the Headmaster's success in his appointment as Headmaster of Leeds Grammar School. Mr. Aldous, twenty-ninth Headmaster of the King's School, had our best wishes for the future. Leeds Grammar School would gain from his appointment, for he was leaving a healthy, happy School, whose boys would have cause to remember him. The Chairman then thanked Mr. Coulthard for the two excellent concerts performed in this five hundredth Mayoral Year.

In his report the Headmaster acknowledged his appreciation of the Chairman's kind remarks and then went on to express the hope that the speaker's varied and interesting career would give colour to his address. The Headmaster spoke of the honour accorded to the Chairman in his election as Mayor of Pontefract. He emphasised the importance of this gathering and spoke of the difficulty of making his report, so diverse had the activities of the School been. The sports field had seen heavy wear, the number of swimming certificates gained was impressive, rugby had enjoyed a very successful season, and boys had distinguished themselves in various fields. Trips had again been organized, to London, Northumberland, Cumberland, and Wales, and one abroad to Southern Germany. At School there had been a reading of Wilfred Owen's poetry and a display of First World War arms, lectures, participation in the Music Festival, the Voluntary Group had again been active, and the School was involved in a variety of charities. There had been a music concert at the end of each of the last three terms, and the School had presented to the Music Festival as a prize a copy of a silver dish dated 1548 and symbolising the age of the School.

Mr. W. K. Tinsley, who had retired a year earlier, had been widely respected as a schoolmaster. His position as Housemaster of Atkinson House had been assumed by Mr. W. Myers, Mr. K. J. Toy and Mr. H. M. Hebditch, who were leaving at the end of the term, had distinguished themselves in their efforts for School drama and had our best wishes for the future. The School had recently been redecorated, so that the efforts of the caretaker, his staff, and of the groundsmen presented the School in an even more pleasing light.

In the last academic year fifty-five boys had gained places in courses of higher education, thirty-three of these being university courses. Four boys, C. W. Conway, S. Hawley, L. M. Fisher, and K. S. Woodall, had distinguished themselves, the first three having gained places at the University of Oxford and Woodall a place at the University of Cambridge. C. J. Cammiss had won a Kitchener Scholarship. A high standard had been maintained at both Advanced and Ordinary levels: seventy-three per cent of subjects taken had been passes at A level, and more than sixty per cent at O level, facts which emphasised the

sheer hard work of many boys and the devotion of Mr. C. E. Dunn and the Staff. The Headmaster concluded his report by expressing his appreciation of the support and trust of the Governors and said that what the School stood for was valued by many. He was proud to have been responsible for the School for the last eleven years.

The Chairman thanked the Headmaster for his report and then, in his capacity as Mayor of Pontefract, presented the Junior Christie Prize to P. D. Birch. After the presentation the Chairman introduced the speaker, a widely travelled man who was a writer on African affairs and who had had considerable experience with West Africa both during and after the war.

After presenting the prizes and certificates, the speaker, the Venerable George Youell, M. A. gave his address. Assuring his audience that his mode of dress was comfortable and permitted no end of odd socks and that he was happy to be here, he explained the problem which faced him — what theme he should select. Should he talk of a famous person — but which one? Should he follow the line: non prize-winners, don't worry, I didn't win and look at me? Should he talk of his career? He had for most of it led a double life. He had been a long time in gaining a degree, and he was in effect both student and staff. We should all seek to lead a double life; in these days of protest groups and so forth, it was becoming increasingly difficult to have an individual existence and resist pressures to conform. Being both individuals and of the herd we should be sure to lead a double life, conforming and going our own way, all the time making our own judgements. There were in our day plenty of causes and plenty of demonstrators, but also there were very few martyrs, very few with a sense of commitment. Requests for Voluntary Service Overseas came from the most unlikely students, who were in their own way protesting, seeking to exercise their own judgement and lead a double life. Calm appraisal was essential before taking such a step, and service should be rendered as required by those in need of help, in their own way, not in one's own way.

In proposing the vote of thanks the Reverend Eric Davey, Vicar of Pontefract, spoke of the dangers of a circle of isolation cutting the individual off from the needs of others, and said that the speaker had indeed raised our sights. The School Captain, C. W. Conway, seconding, thanked the speaker for a telling and humorous address aimed at Sixth Formers who would soon be leaving, thanked the Mayor for his support in the School's celebrations, and expressed to the Headmaster gratitude on behalf of the many who had just cause to be grateful, for the Headmaster had worked with dedication and professionalism and had rendered to many boys enormous assistance with their future studies. Conway then offered to Mr. and Mrs. Aldous, on behalf of all present, best wishes for the future.

The Chairman concluded Speech Day on a light note by promising a Day Holiday in addition to our normal allowance, so that we should feel some of the benefit of Electoral procedure which from time to time closed certain schools.

HISTORY TRIP — EASTER HOLIDAY

In the Easter holiday, a party of some forty boys together with three members of staff, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Coulthard and myself, went on a three day excursion to North Wales. The aim of the tour was to visit some of the castles built by Edward I to subdue the thirteenth century Welsh nationalists.

The party set off on a very dismal Thursday morning, but by the time we arrived in Chester the weather had cleared up and it remained quite good for the remainder of the three days — a very necessary climatic condition for anyone intent on exploring the battlements of Caernarvon or the even more exposed heights of Mount Snowdon. We broke our journey at Chester and spent about an hour in the Grosvenor Museum which contains many interesting archaeological discoveries from the time of the Roman occupation of Chester.

Arriving at Llandudno at 2 p.m., we had lunch at our hotel and then set off to visit our first castle at Conway. Conway is interesting not only because of the sight of its eight imposing towers, built on solid rock and dominating the estuary of the River Conway, but also because the curtain wall which used to provide defence for the town of Conway, is still very nearly intact. In 1399 the chapel in the castle was the scene of the betrayal of Richard II to Henry of Lancaster and the historical importance of the castle continues until the civil wars of the 17th century. On the evening of the first day an attempt was made to reach the summit of the Great Orme by a small party, but the imminent approach of darkness and the exhaustion of the member of staff 'leading' the party led to its abandonment.

Friday morning found us on the way to a yet higher peak — Mount Snowdon. This, to the relief of yours truly, we were to ascend by rack railway. The railway was started in 1869; the engine (Enid) which pulled our train had been in operation since 1895, but we were assured that it was still perfectly reliable! Unfortunately we could only ascend three-quarters of the way due to the weather, and the peak of Snowdon was obscured by cloud. Nevertheless it was a most enjoyable experience for all concerned. After lunch we travelled back via the Llanberis Pass to Caernarvon which, as most viewers should now know, was the birthplace of the first English Prince of Wales and the site of the recent coronation ceremony of our present Prince of Wales. In fact, the Investiture Canopy was still in position and there was a display of photographs illustrating the various stages of the ceremony.

On our final day we visited Beaumaris on the Isle of Anglesey, and then travelled to Chester where most of the party toured Chester Zoo; but a handful of soccer fans were unable to tear themselves away from the radio broadcast of the Leeds v. Chelsea Cup Final. Beaumaris was, I believe, the most popular of the three castles which we visited. It looks today much as it did in the fourteenth century, except that the sea no longer comes right up to the walls. Nevertheless it must be one of the few remaining castles with such an impressive moat. The other outstanding feature is the 'concentric' defensive system comprising two great curtain walls.

It only remains for me to thank Mr. Davidson, on behalf of Mr. Coulthard, myself and the entire party of boys for all the hard work which I know he put into the organisation of such a successful and enjoyable trip.

H.G.B.

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THE VOLUNTARY GROUP

The Group has had a very busy and successful year. Our activities have been varied, although gardening and decorating for old people are still the principal aspects of our work. These jobs go on throughout the school year, while in addition members of our Group have been involved in coal-shovelling and flag-day collecting. An idea started last year was taken up again and developed this winter. This was the collection of old wood from various sources (including some of Mr. Cusworth's old drawers - and tables!). The wood was chopped up and distributed to old folk on two dates in the holidays. This project was coordinated by J. Tams and the group organisers.

In the week after Easter much work went into restoring the derelict Mill Hill children's playground, in which project we were helped from groups from the City Challenge scheme. Much remains to be done. We were also helped by girls from the High School, and links with their visiting group have been maintained this year by means of joint lunches. We hope the contacts will lead to still more joint activities next year.

Much of the credit for the work done this year must go to the energetic group organisers, the majority of whom are in the 2nd and 3rd year Sixth. It is a deplorable fact that very little support has come from the 1st year Sixth, although, it must be added, what support we have had from that direction has been both able and loyal. While it is probably true that this apparent apathy has deprived other societies than the Group of support, it must be observed that without the voluntary efforts of first year Sixth formers our commitments become difficult to fulfil and can throw an additional burden on members in their examination year. But the operative word is still 'voluntary'. There are no tangible rewards for doing jobs except the thanks (sometimes unspoken) of the old people who often have no-one else prepared to help them. The Group welcomes new members. The more members we have the better the service we can provide. Can you help?

Finally a word of thanks to all the members of staff who have helped the Group in various ways during the past year, not forgetting the groundsman, Mr. Rhodes, and our best wishes for the future to all members of the Group who are leaving school this July.

THE RADIO SOCIETY

Masters: Mr. G. W. Green and Mr. M. W. Charlton
Secretary: J. A. C. Horsfall
Treasurer: K. M. Wilcox

The Radio Society met regularly during the Winter and Spring terms of this year, and members would like to thank Mr. Green and Mr. Charlton for their help in running the society.

Meetings will resume next term at 4.00 p.m. on Mondays in the Physics Laboratory, and as usual, new members will be welcome. The junior section will construct crystal sets, and then add a transistor amplification stage, whilst senior members are to work on projects including a record player, a tape recorder, radio control for model aircraft, and experiments in the exciting field of voice communication using modulated light beams.

J. A. C. Horsfall, 6Sc²M.

THE GEOGRAPHY SOCIETY

Field courses for the Geographers of the First Year Sixth have been held at Esthwaite Lodge, Hawkshead, in the Lake District and at Robin Hood's Bay on the Yorkshire Coast. A full programme of films and talks is being arranged for the Autumn Term. A report of the Lake District trip will appear in the next edition.

D.H.

THE NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

In the spring and the early weeks of the summer term fortnightly meetings were held at 4.00 p.m. in the Lecture Room.

Apart from the many films shown, Mr. Pickering gave a very lucid talk on bee-keeping, and J. Tams entertained us with a description of the art of coarse-fishing.

It has been pleasing to note the large numbers of first-formers who have attended the meetings, but at the same time it should be stressed that membership is open to the whole School, and it is hoped that boys with an interest in the living world will join us next term.

A.B.S.

THE SIXTH FORM ENGLISH SOCIETY

The attempt to revitalize and popularize the Society within the Sixth Form by increasing the Committee membership proved abortive. Initial enthusiasm on the part of such members for 'fringe-benefit' cultural activities died a quick death before the looming spectre of examinations, when it was discovered that the office was no sinecure. We can sympathise, but it would appear that the status title 'Sixth Form' must be abandoned, if only to do some justice to those lesser mortals of the middle school who have increasingly given their support. With such recruits from previously untapped resources and the unstinted efforts of R. C. Bailey and I. L. Pearson, the Society is far from being 'birth strangled'.

Theatre visits have taken us to Harrogate to see a superb Festival-winning production of 'Death of a Salesman'; to Leeds University to endure an indifferent performance of 'Dr. Faustus'; to Wakefield twice, to experience 'A Day in the Death of Joe Egg' and then to wince at what they did to mother in 'Loot'; to York and Sheffield, to compare startlingly different versions of 'Henry IV'; and to Stratford to drool over Shakespeareana and witness another performance of 'Dr. Faustus'.

The trip to York involved sixty of us in an afternoon's 'teach-in' on 'Henry IV' before the evening performance. It was a novelty which proved to be as amusing as it was instructive and we look forward to more such painless analysis of our set texts. The day out to Stratford provided an opportunity to explore the town before the matinee at The Royal Shakespeare Theatre. The most recent visit took us once again to Leeds University to see an up-dated version of 'Twelfth Night' in the intimate atmosphere of the Debating Chamber. After braving hords of bearded, beer-swilling students in the Union, the party of eighteen 4R boys felt it could face anything, but it was hardly prepared for Orsino's 'pop' group. Such music may be 'the food of love' especially in these post-Beatle times, but it proved pretty indigestible fare for at least one member of the party. However, after the initial shock it all went down well.

One of the most stimulating and better attended meetings to date was a record recital of Wilfred Owen's poetry, together with an exhibition of war material of 1914 vintage on loan from the Pontefract War Museum. Surrounded by a fearsome collection of weaponry, ranging from spiked cudgels and wicked looking bayonets to more sophisticated methods of mass slaughter, we listened to the poetry against a subtle background of war sound effects, and were profoundly moved.

T.J.R.

THE MODERN LANGUAGES SOCIETY

The Society has continued to be prominent in these last two terms, especially the spring term. During the latter, a joint meeting with the High School M.L.S. one evening turned out to be the most adventurous and successful meeting undertaken by the society this year, namely a Continental Food Tasting Session. After two short talks on foreign countries, the Society was presented with an excellent display of foreign delicacies by the girls.

With the exception of minor meetings towards the end of the spring term and beginning of the summer term, examinations have prevented further meetings and functions taking place.

I would like to thank Mr. Buckroyd for the effort he has put into the organisation of the Society, Peter Clark for being an excellent secretary, the committee for their help, and Miss Locke and the girls for adding a great incentive to join the M.L.S. Finally I would like to offer thanks to Herr Gerdt Pöeterring and Monsieur Michel Horst, our two Foreign Language Assistants, for their help, not only to the Society, but also to all sixth form modern language students.

P. J. Green, 6A1B.

THE LIBRARY

During this term we have added further books to the Geography Section, and the Junior Section of the Library has been improved by the acquisition of French readers and a variety of non-fiction titles. Mr. K. J. Toy has very kindly given a number of paperbacks to the sixth form General Studies Library, which now has well over 250 titles. For the Main Library we have recently purchased the complete works of Shakespeare in 39 separate volumes; these will be kept in the Reference Section.

The West Riding County Library continues to supply us with a wide range of books every three months, and these have proved popular at all levels in the School.

In general borrowers of books and those who use the Library for private study have co-operated sensibly in maintaining the high standard of the furnishings and have treated the books with care. There have been lapses, particularly in the case of the magazine section but, owing to the extremely efficient and conscientious way in which I. L. Pearson has controlled this section of the Library, these have been kept to a minimum.

At the end of this term the Library will lose the services of a large number of capable and hard-working senior sixth-formers who have given a great deal of their spare time to ensure that the system operates satisfactorily. S. R. Knapton, the Chief Librarian, has set a high standard of efficiency and reliability and has been fortunate to have the support of so many experienced Librarians.

The Autumn Term of 1970 will see many changes in Library staff but it is hoped that the new Lower Sixth will provide Librarians who will maintain the high standards set by their predecessors.

We have just learnt that Mr. W. J. Morrell, an old boy, is leaving this district where he has been a former member of the King's School staff and of the Inspectorate. We thank him for his interest in the Library, particularly during the period when its scope was being extended in the New Block, and wish him well in the future.

The following have been involved in the running of the Library:

Chief Librarian: S. R. Knapton. Senior Librarians: M. Allen, P. Clark, D. Donat, I. Dyson, D. A. Hindle, J. A. C. Horsfall, I. L. Pearson, H. I. Rawding, C. Rowett. Librarians: R. C. Bailey, M. H. Bates, J. Bilsbrough, A. J. Dines, H. King, G. McCurley, R. Morrell, J. A. Tate, D. Boustead, M. Applegate, K. M. Wilcox.

M.H.C.

CHESSE CLUB

The Chess club has been particularly well supported this year and again there has been a good response to keeping the Club open during the summer months. In terms of League results, the First team has been only moderately successful but matches have been keenly contested and, in some cases, when a loss occurred, it was by the narrowest of margins.

The First team played 11 matches.

Won 1 Lost 5 Drew 5

The team was drawn from a pool consisting of J. Aston, P. Aston, M. Applegate, D. Ash, I. Brusby, A. Clapham, H. King, I. McElhinney, R. Spears and K. Woodall.

The Second team met with more success in its 11 matches.

Won 5 Lost 3 Drew 3

The team was drawn from a pool consisting of J. Ash, N. Clapham, P. Garvey, P. Goodworth, M. Green, I. McElhinney, D. Northwood, A. Osiecki, D. Wakefield and I. Wilson.

For the second year in succession I. Brusby has won the Wakefield and District Schools' Under 16 Championship.

The Annual Competitions were held during the Spring Term and proved to be popular. The final results were as follows:

Senior: 1. I. Brusby

2. R. Crossley

Intermediate: 1. I. McElhinney

2. N. Clapham

Junior: 1. D. Northwood

2. M. Green

The Club is grateful to K. Pizzey who has made a fine trophy, in the form of a chess piece turned in wood, which will be awarded annually to the Junior Champion.

I am indebted to Messrs. Jones and Renton for their help in running the Club during the year, to H. King for his captaincy of the First team, and to K. Woodall for his efficient work as Club Secretary.

J.H.

PONTEFRAC MUSIC FESTIVAL

Speech and Drama

70 boys from the School took part in the above section of the Festival which was held on Friday and Saturday, May 8th and 9th, 1970. The following gained first place in their class:—

Duologue, boys and girls, under 18 — D. J. Hookham and M. V. Walker (who were also awarded the Lyon Shield for the highest marks in two classes of Under 15 and Under 18 Duologue).

Solo Verse Speaking — R. C. Bailey.

Reading at Sight (Open) — S. R. Knapton.

Choral Speaking (Under 18) — The King's School (The Sister Lovelady Memorial Cup).

Mime (Under 18) — The King's School — C. Simpson, A. Thompson, D. Teet, P. Adams, A. Osieski, and R. Bennett. The Cup was given from the 1958 Trophy Fund.

Dramatic Scene (Open) — The King's School — R. C. Bailey, P. Buckley, R. N. Holland, A. J. Dines, R. Morrell, S. Hinton and J. Bilsbrough.

Choral Speaking (Open) — The King's School.

M.H.C.

COMMITTEE CORNER

Who said:

All the world is queer save thee and me, and even thou art a little queer.
He who can, does. He who cannot, teaches.
Bow, bow, ye lower middle classes.
Dead, and . . . never called me mother.
My subject is War, and the Pity of War.
Hanging is too good for him.
There was gorging Jack and guzzling Jimmy.
I am Charley's aunt from Brazil, where the nuts come from.
Dictators ride to and fro upon tigers which they dare not dismount.
Only the Thought Police mattered.
I'll make a gory mess of you. I'll cut bits off you.
Pass the rosy wine.
I shot an arrow into the air.
All the people like us are We, and every one else is Them.
It out-herods Herod.
Please do not shoot the pianist.
Yesterday's men.
Philosophy will clip an angel's wings.
No man is an island, entire of itself.

And on a lower level:

Has anyone seen R.M.C.?
Put that frog away.
Have you a query?
6A have heard of the Voluntary group.
A subtle one.
Conscription.
Alright, but don't snore.
The moustache: now you see it, now you don't.
It's a hive of activity up there.
Just for ten minutes.

There are days when Henry sits on the step, holding communion with the expanses as he watches the people: each one complete unto himself but there at that moment for him alone. He is the centre of the universe, everyone, everything revolves around him, each on his own tight-rope, unknotted, untwisted somehow. His eyes are silent; he has captured an infinity which only musicians have dreamt of. The phrases poets turn over in their heads do not worry him; they mean what he wants them to mean.

He does not need celluloid to capture eternity, his soul is open for it to come and go as it pleases and so it stays, like grains of sand which do not fall because the grip is not tight. He does not laugh at the politicians in their big black cars, their lives locked up neatly in filing-cabinets, with no rough edges (section L, love - n. Fondness, warm affection (of, for, to, towards))

No-one believed Henry so they cut his hair, dressed him up in a grey suit and locked him up when the Queen came to stay. They let him out when she left, so that he could kick cans up and down on the railway line on the days when they didn't lay him down on a couch and ask him questions and poke his head. No-one believed him but the eye which fell out when bodies met steel on a cold day in the high street is omniscient.

Junior Plays

THE CRIMSON COCOANUT

After a certain number of auditions the original thirty applicants were cut down to six. The rehearsals went fairly smoothly except for occasional eruptions into laughter from Warren and a brief glimpse of Ward's acting capability as he fell off the stage.

The first night was a success except that Wakefield (Mr. Jabstick) contrived to utter the same line twice in two completely different parts of the play, a feat which did not escape the attention of certain critics on the front row.

The curtains opened to reveal the waiter, hidden underneath a newspaper. David Collins played this part very well and his natural Cockney accent was admirably suited to the character of Robert, the doddering old waiter of a disreputable Soho restaurant.

We were told by Mr. Jack Pincher (played by Jonathan Pearce) of a fiendish plot to blow up the Bank of England involving two Russian anarchists Nitro Gliserinski and his wife Madame Gliserinski, who had arranged to meet them there with the bomb. Pincher was well played by Pearce whose familiarity with the techniques of burlesque (last year's 'My Proud Beauty') obviously stood him in good stead.

The arrival of a well-padded Mr. Jabstick (I. P. Wakefield) and his daughter Nancy (S. T. Wright) caused some laughter among the audience as he was somewhat shorter than his daughter and was adorned with one of Warren's body painting masterpieces in the shape of a large, curly and rather extravagant moustache. Wakefield acted the character well considering the number of similar cues he had to contend with.

Stephen Wright made a truly feminine heroine although hampered by a limited part. Ian Woodcock as Nitro Gliserinski looked the part and managed to maintain his strange accent right up to the end. Christopher Newlands, an actor who will doubtless play many other important roles in school productions, showed real promise as Madame Gliserinski.

Mention must be made of the excellent ad libbing of Pearce and Collins on the second night, which passed unnoticed by the majority of the audience and without which the production would have ground to a painful halt.

Thanks must be given to Mr. Seely and Mr. Hebditch for providing an admirable concoction which served as beer and wine. And of course thanks to Mr. Cavendish for producing the whole venture.

'The Crimson Cocoonut' by Ian Hay

Jack Pincher, a detective	J. Pearce
Robert, a waiter	D. Collins
Mr. Jabstick	I. P. Wakefield
Nancy Jabstick, his daughter	S. T. Wright
Nitro Gliserinski	I. Woodcock
Madame Gliserinski	C. W. Newlands

DAVY JONES GOES HUNTING

This year one of the three Junior Plays was 'Davy Jones Goes Hunting' by T. C. Thomas, who wrote it as one of many in a fine series of plays for radio.

The play takes place in the railway signal-box at Pentremawr. Davy Jones, played by Wormald of 2R, makes a good deal of profit by buying old hens. When old Bobtail the fox then kills them, he claims six guineas for them from the Master of the Hunt, Pryce-Powell, (Brown 3Ai), as if they were prize birds.

Liza Hargest (Rimmington 2R) arrives on the scene and tries to stop Davy from killing the fox, which is the pride of Pryce-Powell and the Hunt. After a loud gun-shot Tom Davies (Hollings 3Aii) is put into Davy's bad books for letting the fox kill his pedigree bird which he was supposed to be guarding. Morgan (Slatcher 3Aii) also tries to stop Davy killing the fox, but Policeman Prosser (Lane 3Ai) wants Davy to shoot it.

Pryce-Powell then arrives and, by agreeing to Davy's demands for compensation, steals Davy's thunder. After he has left, they decide to kill the fox. Fred the Lamps (Wilshaw 3Ai) says there is no time to shoot the fox, which is already being chased by the Hunt, and that the best scheme is to block up his earth so that he can't get back to safety. Davy gives the gun to Tom Davies, which is a big mistake.

The Hunt is then heard in full cry, and when Pryce-Powell enters he is angry that Davy has won by killing his fox, old Bobtail. Then Fred comes in and says it is not old Bobtail after all, but another fox.

Another gun-shot is heard. Davies comes in, and Davy thinks he has shot the fox, but he is wrong. It is another of Davy's hens!

Sound effects were most 'effective' and gave the right atmosphere. The Welsh accent was kept up throughout the play, thanks to the efforts of Mr. K. J. Toy, who produced and directed the play. The prompter, O'Neill of 3Ai, was always there when needed (save once), and on the whole the play was very well received.

'Davy Jones Goes Hunting' by T. C. Thomas

Davy Jones the Box	C. J. Wormald
Fred the Lamps	A. Wilshaw
Tom Davies the Relief	R. C. Holling
Morgan the Gamekeeper	R. B. Slatcher
P. C. Prosser	J. P. Lane
Liza Hargest	P. Rimmington
Major D. Pryce-Powell,	J. Brown
O.B.E. J.P.	

'HIP, HIP, HORATIUS'

'Hip, Hip, Horatius' by Kenneth Tydman proved to be a rumbustious parody of Macaulay's poem 'Horatius'. 4R, who had apparently long suspected that the heroes of their Latin texts were a little too plausible seized the opportunity to produce the only definition version of the incident immortalized by the poet, by giving us a revealing insight into the private lives of these clay-footed gods.

With a prologue of their own divising and a shop-steward type leader of the plebs, together with a highly vocal mob, the cast sought to demonstrate that history is 'bunk' and that life in the Imperial City was as familiar and domesticated as that depicted in 'Coronation Street'. The title should have warned us, of course, but for those surfeited on a diet of classical authors and Roman Plays, nothing was as might have been expected; the opening dignified, triumphal procession was not the mere prelude to the familiar classical saga, but the surprising and effective contrast to the farcical proceedings which then erupted noisily upon us. Over the chanting and screaming of the mob demanding, not bread and circuses, but beer and bingo, we discovered that Horatius, far from being the legendary hero of our poem, was nothing more than an undersized, scheming card-sharper in an over-large helmet and boots that were too big for him. Moreover, his famous single-handed stand against the enemy was simply an ignoble, but successful effort to obtain a reversal of the iniquitous gaming and curfew laws newly imposed by the infamous Lars Porsena.

It seems unfair to single out for special praise any individual member of the large cast drawn from Fourth to First forms, for almost all were new to the stage and all gave worthwhile and enthusiastic performances, but it is difficult to overlook the talent displayed by the leading actors, or the competence of the Narrator, played by K. Murphy, who, word perfect and skilful, guided us through the complexities of the plot. K. Pawson, who took over the part

of Horatius at the last minute, worked so hard and adapted himself to the role so well that we wondered why we had missed him in the first place. M. R. Foster, as Lars Porsena, strutted magnificently as the tyrant and then cringed most abjectly as the hen-pecked husband when his fortunes waned before the blackmailing schemes of the plotters. A. D. Whitely, the rabble-rouser, successfully convinced us that he will undoubtedly have missed his vocation if he fails to make a career in public life. But most deserving of praise, not least because they nobly accepted the female parts against their better judgement were: P. Machin as Aspidistra, the strident-voiced wife of Lars Porsena; J. C. Parkin, as the gossip-mongering neighbour; J. N. Bowes, as the flirtatious Cora; and the impressive J. A. Chambers, as Sabrina of the hair curlers, the unlovely, clothes-washing wife of Horatius.

'Hip, Hip, Horatius' by Kenneth Tydman

(a mini-drama of Ancient Rome with a prologue by 4R)

Narrator	K. Murphy
Lars Porsena	M. R. Foster
Horatius	K. Pawson
Sabrina	J. Chambers
Aspidistra	P. Machin
Lartius	P. C. Foster
Galatia	J. Parkin
Cora	J. Bowes
Primus	D. Powell
Secundus	S. W. Upright
Tertius	M. S. Parkinson
Quartius	G. Watkins
Guards	D. Proctor, T. Ward, J. A. Tillotson
Crowd	A. D. Whiteley, J. Ash, G. P. Batt, R. S. Bown, P. S. Cook, P. J. Berridge, D. J. Cusworth, P. T. Hill, R. M. Dobson, C. S. Lane, A. J. Bake, M. Pickersgill.

THE SWIMMING GALA

The Swimming Gala was held this year on Friday, May 15th. This year saw seven new records which were as follows:

- 5th and 6th Forms 2 Lengths Freestyle - R. Bailey in 28.4 seconds.
- 5th and 6th Forms 2 Lengths Backstroke - J. Simpson in 34.6 seconds.
- 3rd Forms 2 Lengths Freestyle - M. Foster in 37.7 seconds.
- 3rd Forms 2 Lengths Backstroke - K. Woollard in 47.0 seconds.
- 5th and 6th Forms 4 by 2 Lengths Medley Relay - Atkinson House in 2 minutes 24.1 seconds.
- 1st Forms 4 by 1 Length Freestyle Relay - Lyon House in 1 minute 16.0 seconds.
- School v Old Boys 4 by 2 Lengths Freestyle Relay - The Old Boys in 2 minutes 0.3 seconds.

The final House positions were as follows:

- First: Lyon House 133½
- Second: Atkinson House 131½
- Third: King Edward House 128
- Fourth: De Lacy House 92

BASKETBALL

First Team

Oct. 14	v. Ackworth School	H Won 51 - 35
Dec. 9	v. The Staff	H Lost 50 - 51
10	v. Minsthorpe Braves	A Lost 34 - 35
Jan. 13	v. Thornes House	A Won 31 - 16
14	v. Mexborough G.S.	A Lost 39 - 44
Mar. 10	v. Temple Moor School	A Lost 30 - 36
16	v. Ackworth School	H Won 65 - 30
19	v. Doncaster G.S.	A Lost 24 - 38

Under 15 Team

Dec. 3	v. Pontefract Senior Boys	A Won 29 - 4
10	v. Minsthorpe High School	A Won 27 - 19
Jan. 14	v. Mexborough G.S.	A Won 47 - 17
Feb. 9	v. Doncaster G.S.	H Won 26 - 25
23	v. Temple Moor School	A Lost 26 - 44
Mar. 9	v. Ackworth School	H Won 44 - 24

In an Under 19 Basketball Tournament at Mexborough Grammar School on March 15th, the School reached the final after defeating Mexborough Grammar School 26 - 17 and Maltby Grammar School 22 - 11. In reaching the final against Ecclesfield Grammar School, they were defeated, scoring 29 against 39.

ATHLETICS

On November 15th last year, a cross-country match was held at Tadcaster between Tadcaster Grammar School, Ackworth School, and the King's School; the King's School gained second place in the Seniors and first place in the Juniors, and the final overall positions were:

First: The King's School
Second: Tadcaster Grammar School
Third: Ackworth School

The School Cross-country was held on March 5th. In the Juniors Adams came in first for King Edward House, in the Intermediate Parkin for De Lacy House, and in the Seniors G. Able was first home for Lyon House. Overall positions were:

First: Atkinson House
Second: Lyon House
Third: King Edward House
Fourth: De Lacy House

In an athletics match against Nunthorpe Grammar School on May 5th at Pontefract, the result was a tie, both teams gaining 153 points.

In a second athletics match against Tadcaster Grammar School, the King's School won, the final points awarded being:

Tadcaster: 146
The King's School: 159

Three triangular athletics matches were held in June.

On June 4th, a match for Under 15 and 14s was held at Minsthorpe between Minsthorpe High School, Willowgarthe High School, and the King's School. The King's School won by some twenty points but further details are not to hand.

On June 11th, at Pontefract Boys' Secondary School, a match for Under 15 and 14s was held between Pontefract Boys' School, Minsthorpe High School, and the King's School. The final order was:

First: The King's School (61)
Second: Minsthorpe High School (55)
Third: Pontefract Boys' School (42)

On June 16th, a home match for Under 13 and 12s was held between the King's School, Pontefract Boys' School, and St. Wilfrid's High School. The final positions were:

First: The King's School (228)
Second: St. Wilfrid's (215)
Third: Pontefract Boys' School (209)

ATHLETICS, 1970

This year has seen a great revival of school athletics, mainly through the efforts of Messrs. Porter, Reynolds, Medway and Ryder.

The first season under metric conditions has been a successful one. Normanton G.S. have been the only team to defeat the King's School at any level this season.

M. Spears and G. Russell won the triple jump and 400 metres respectively in the Yorkshire Schools finals and Spears will go on to represent his county in the National Championships; Russell having withdrawn through injury.

School records have been set by M. Spears (triple jump), W. Ryans (javelin), and P. Bowler (shot). All the times for the Sports Day track events will stand as records.

J. M. Cooper, 6A2b

GYMNASTICS CLUB

Gymnastics this year have been continued throughout the summer term. A display team consisting of ten boys from forms throughout the School has put on three displays so far this term at Fairburn, Featherstone and Carlton Boys' Secondary School. The team included A. M. Dobson, M. Broughton, D. Cooper, C. Guy, G. Hirst, K. Atkinson, D. White and M. Cooper.

Thanks are again due to Mr. B. R. Ryder, who has devoted so much time and effort to the displays.

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Soccer

The fixtures have once again suffered both on account of the extremely inclement weather and of the brevity of the term, such that the effort put into the sport by so many has seen a rather disappointing return. The point is being reached where it is sheer good fortune when a home fixture is played and the height of luxury to play at home in anything like good conditions. But in spite of the waterlogged field, which has given the groundsmen so much trouble, some soccer has been played and the standard shown has been highly commendable.

I would like to pay tribute to those members of staff who have given up so much of their spare time to look after and coach School teams after 4 o'clock and more especially on Saturday mornings and afternoons. It is asking a great deal of staff to give up every Saturday for a whole term and without their co-operation and goodwill School games could not take place on the scale to which we have grown accustomed. On behalf of the School teams I thank G.A., J.S.B., B.A.D., G.O.J., M.A.T., D.D.P. and R.T. for all the hard work which they have put into the soccer this year.

I would also like to thank I. McPhee and S. Hoyle, who as Captain and Vice-Captain respectively of the First XI, have set a fine example to the team both on and off the field.

B.R.R.

First XI

The team has enjoyed a most successful season, losing only two of the nine games played. Although the early games were played away, when the home pitches were water-logged, the members have played with tremendous spirit, and each individual has shown the ability to work hard for the others. This is the reason for the team's obvious success.

A high standard of play was achieved in most of the games, and this was highlighted in the performance against De La Salle College, which ended in a 1-1 draw.

The team's form is encouraging in view of the fact that most of the boys are staying on, and with some promising boys ready to step up from the Second and Under 15 sides everything looks well for next season.

A special mention must be made of G. Clarke, who had some fine games in the heart of the defence, his coolness under pressure was an encouragement to the rest of the side.

On behalf of the First XI I would like to thank Mr. Ryder for the time he has spent coaching and training the side.

S. V. Hoyle (Vice-Captain)

First XI

Jan. 17	v. Ackworth School	H	Won 1-0
24	v. King Edward VII G.S.	H	Won 3-2
31	v. Tadcaster G.S.	A	Draw 0-0
Feb. 7	v. St. Michael's College	A	Lost 0-5
11	v. Castleford G.S.	A	Draw 3-3
14	v. East Anglia Tour		
25	v. Adwick School	A	Won 4-3
28	v. De La Salle College	A	Draw 1-1
Mar. 7	v. Airedale Technical School	H	Won 5-0
14	v. Abbeydale G.S.	H	Lost 1-3
19	v. Old Boys	H	Lost 3-6
21	v. Yorks. Schools 7-a-sides	A	Lost 0-3
			Lost 0-2
23	v. Staff Team	H	Won 6-3

Second XI

The Second XI had an extremely successful season, losing only one of their nine games. The team combined solidity with skill most effectively. As the defence remained virtually unchanged, it grew in confidence and understanding throughout the season; in midfield, Clough and Leach paced and directed the majority of games very shrewdly. In attack a combination of the speed and marksmanship of Thorpe, and the ability of Allen in the air, was most effective, as this pair scored almost half of the side's goals.

Not a little of the side's success stemmed from the capacity of Clough. He built up an excellent team spirit, encouraging his players to think about what they were doing, and generally directed his team in a thorough and mature manner.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Ryder for his hard work in organising the fixtures, and for the help he has so willingly given in coaching the team.

R.T.

Played 9 Won 7 Drawn 1 Lost 1 Goals for 34 against 12

Second XI

Jan. 13	v. Staff Team	H	Won 3-1
17	v. Pontefract Boys' School	H	Won 4-0
24	v. King Edward VII G.S.	A	Won 4-1
31	v. Tadcaster G.S.	A	Won 4-1
Feb. 7	v. St. Michael's College	H	Won 4-1
11	v. Castleford G.S.	H	Won 2-0
25	v. Adwick School	H	Won 8-0
28	v. De La Salle College	H	Lost 2-4
Mar. 11	v. St. Wilfrid's H.S.	H	Draw 3-3
14	v. Abbeydale G.S.		Cancelled

Third XI

The Third XI has been more prominent this year, playing more fixtures than at any time previously. Much credit here must go to I. Griffiths, who has generally taken care of the side's welfare and has proved an excellent captain.

The team has provided the opportunity for many members of last year's promising Under 15 team to gain experience in the senior age group, as well as catering for older boys who are keen on soccer and enjoy an element of competition. Undoubtedly several of the team will be challenging for Second and possibly First XI places next season.

The team has been quite a successful one, and all the matches were keenly contested. The team played 4 matches, winning 3 of them.

B.R.R.

Third XI

Jan. 24	v. King Edward VII G.S.	A	Won 4-1
Feb. 7	v. Pontefract Boys First XI	H	Lost 1-2
Mar. 18	v. Pontefract Boys First XI	A	Won 4-2
21	v. St. Wilfrid's H.S.	A	Won 7-2

Under 15 XI

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As the season progressed and the weather slowly improved, the team's co-ordination increased very quickly, with the defenders, D. Matthews in particular, being more prepared to cover back.

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21	v. Yorks. Schools 7-a-sides	A	Won 5-0
			Draw 5-5
			Won 5-1

Under 14 XI

The results this season have been a little disappointing and the team has played patchy football, but it must be said that enthusiasm has not waned and we have rung the changes between fifteen players.

The best of the games have produced some clever and positive football, but there is still a tendency to regard a two goal lead at half-time as a decisive victory and unwritten permission to play slack and casual football. A glance at England's World Cup performance against Germany should give the lie to this philosophy. A two goal trailing at half-time has of course produced some despair, but with gallant efforts by the captain, Ryans, the team usually continued to fight back and often displayed its best football in these conditions.

There were two games where we refused to win despite rather feeble opposition and one other game where, while playing entertaining football, we forgot the simple rule that in order to win you have to score goals, which all implies shots and thrusts in the forward line. Ash was the main goal scorer with about half the total, invariably giving the opposition problems, but he spent too much of his time in unsupported splendid isolation.

Prospects for next year look good, and with more weight in the forward line this team should do well, for it has enthusiasm and many skills.

B.A.D.

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Under 13 XI

The team won two and drew one of the nine matches played, though three of the defeats were by a solitary goal. The standard of football played by the side was generally good, and some of the individual performances first-class. Once again the early season matches were cancelled because of unplayable pitches, and the enforced lack of match practice affected the team's organisation.

The best display came at Adwick School where the team played non-stop attacking football, and were rewarded by being two goals in the lead after only three minutes — scored by M. S. Finlay. Only good defensive work by Adwick prevented a much higher score than the final 4-1.

The team was well led by S. A. Hewitson at centre half, and several boys played consistently well, none better than M. R. Broughton in goal. And looking ahead to next season the side, with more control in front of goal, is expected to do well.

The members of the team squad were:-

R. Allen, M. R. Broughton, C. Davis, M. Evans, M. S. Finlay, P. J. Garvey, I. L. Hanks, M. A. Hanson, S. A. Hewitson, S. P. Jackson, T. Morgan, P. O'Malley, M. Priestley, P. Routledge, S. Roberts, N. L. Rush, F. W. Simpson.

The goal scorers were:-

Finlay (6), Routledge (3), Priestley (1), Allen (1), Broughton (1).

M.A.T.
J.S.B.

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14	v. Abbeydale G.S.	H	Won 1-0
18	v. Pontefract Boys' School	A	Won 3-0
21	v. Yorks. Schools 7-a-sides	A	Won 5-0
			Draw 5-5
			Won 5-1

Under 14 XI

The results this season have been a little disappointing and the team has played patchy football, but it must be said that enthusiasm has not waned and we have rung the changes between fifteen players.

The best of the games have produced some clever and positive football, but there is still a tendency to regard a two goal lead at half-time as a decisive victory and unwritten permission to play slack and casual football. A glance at England's World Cup performance against Germany should give the lie to this philosophy. A two goal trailing at half-time has of course produced some despair, but with gallant efforts by the captain, Ryans, the team usually continued to fight back and often displayed its best football in these conditions.

There were two games where we refused to win despite rather feeble opposition and one other game where, while playing entertaining football, we forgot the simple rule that in order to win you have to score goals, which all implies shots and thrusts in the forward line. Ash was the main goal scorer with about half the total, invariably giving the opposition problems, but he spent too much of his time in unsupported splendid isolation.

Prospects for next year look good, and with more weight in the forward line this team should do well, for it has enthusiasm and many skills.

B.A.D.

Under 14 XI

Jan. 24	v. King Edward VII G.S.	A	Won 2-1
31	v. Tadcaster G.S.	H	Lost 5-7
Feb. 7	v. St. Michael's College	H	Won 3-2
11	v. Castleford G.S.	H	Lost 0-5
25	v. Adwick School	H	Lost 2-7
28	v. De La Salle College	H	Won 3-1
Mar. 7	v. Airedale Technical School	A	Lost 2-3
11	v. St. Wilfrid's H.S.	H	Won 2-1
18	v. Pontefract Boys' School	A	Lost 0-5

Under 13 XI

The team won two and drew one of the nine matches played, though three of the defeats were by a solitary goal. The standard of football played by the side was generally good, and some of the individual performances first-class. Once again the early season matches were cancelled because of unplayable pitches, and the enforced lack of match practice affected the team's organisation.

The best display came at Adwick School where the team played non-stop attacking football, and were rewarded by being two goals in the lead after only three minutes — scored by M. S. Finlay. Only good defensive work by Adwick prevented a much higher score than the final 4-1.

The team was well led by S. A. Hewitson at centre half, and several boys played consistently well, none better than M. R. Broughton in goal. And looking ahead to next season the side, with more control in front of goal, is expected to do well.

The members of the team squad were:-
R. Allen, M. R. Broughton, C. Davis, M. Evans
M. S. Finlay, P. J. Garvey, I. L. Hanks, M. A. Hanson
S. A. Hewitson, S. P. Jackson, T. Morgan,
P. O'Malley, M. Priestley, P. Routledge, S. Roberts
N. L. Rush, F. W. Simpson.

The goal scorers were:-
Finlay (6), Routledge (3), Priestley (1), Allen (1),
Broughton (1).

M.A.T.

J.S.B.

Under 13 XI

Jan. 31	v. Tadcaster G.S.	A	Lost 0-1
Feb. 7	v. St. Michael's College	A	Lost 0-1
11	v. Castleford G.S.	A	Won 4-2
25	v. Adwick School	A	Won 4-1
28	v. De La Salle College	A	Lost 2-7
Mar. 7	v. Airedale Technical School	H	Draw 0-0
11	v. St. Wilfrid's H.S.	A	Lost 0-3
14	v. Abbeydale G.S.	H	Lost 0-1
18	v. Pontefract Boys' School	H	Lost 2-4

First Form XI

Taking the results at face value, the team has had a disappointing term. After the early fixtures and practices had been cancelled because of snow and waterlogged pitches, the team on its first two outings met very strong opposition and lost heavily. Somewhat demoralised, the team was faced with the task of building up its confidence against a number of very useful opponents. This it gradually achieved, as witnessed by two very decisive victories later in the season. In fact, every game apart from these wins was a closely-contested tussle. The team's steady improvement over the season was best illustrated in the last match, when against Carleton Boys', the team which had beaten them 9-2 in the first match of the season, King's went down by the only goal in an exciting game in which they missed several good chances and were very unlucky to lose.

The captain, S. Close, set a fine example of determination and skilful play at all times. Bellamy kept goal courageously, Grant and Snowdon defended zealously, Walker, Inman and Shorthouse worked well in midfield, while Greaves and Perry showed craft in support of a variety of front runners, notably Bickerton, Williams and Midgley. Mann, a permanent member of the team, deserved greater rewards for his strong running and shooting, and shows promise for the future.

Team spirit was excellent, and this was due in large measure to our regular supporters, Messrs. Mann and Snowdon, who never failed to encourage the team.

G.O.J.

First Forms XI

Jan. 24	v. Pontefract Boys' School	A	Lost	2-9
31	v. Tadcaster G.S.	H	Lost	2-5
Feb. 7	v. St. Michael's College	H	Lost	0-1
11	v. Castleford G.S.	H	Won	6-2
25	v. Adwick School	H	Lost	1-3
28	v. De La Salle College	H	Lost	1-2
Mar. 7	v. Airedale Technical School	H	Won	8-1
11	v. St. Wilfrid's H.S.	H	Won	2-1
14	v. Abbeydale G.S.	H	Lost	0-2
18	v. Pontefract Boys' School	H	Lost	0-1

GOLF

The School has played two golf matches this year against Queen Elizabeth G.S. and has been successful in both of them.

Last December at Pontefract we overcame high winds and blizzards to win by 5 matches to nil (one match was unfinished due to snow). The return match at Wakefield was played in April and the team won by 4 matches to 2.

I would, on behalf of the team, like to thank Mr. P. Dunn for his help in arranging these matches, and I hope that we can continue our success next year.

P. B. Merry, 6S²m

Cricket

First XI

Captain: C. Hewison.

Vice-Captain: S. V. Hoyle

In contrast to the last two years, the weather has been much better this season, enabling us to play all our matches with the exception of one which was postponed for other reasons.

The season started on April 25th with a match against Adwick School; the wicket was very soft, but just playable, and the result was a very easy win for the School by 90 runs; the School, declaring at 100 for 7, dismissed Adwick for 10.

In the second match, the School lost fairly heavily to a good Skipton side, being dismissed for 36; Skipton then knocked off the runs for the loss of 3 wickets.

The following three matches were then drawn. On May 2nd a very evenly fought match was played against Doncaster Grammar School in which the School declared at 97 for 9, to which Doncaster replied with 61 for 4.

On May 6th against Rothwell, Rothwell made 101 for 8 declared, and the School replied with 67 for 8.

The match on May 16th against Tadcaster Grammar School was the only one in which the weather directly prevented any result. On a lovely summer day Tadcaster batted first and declared at 99 for 6, but just as the tea interval approached, thunder clouds built up and the storm eventually broke after only two balls of the School's innings.

It has been most encouraging to be able to play the early games of the season without direct interference from the weather on any large scale, and the standard of play is much better than at the corresponding stage last season or the season before.

The team has responded very well to the leadership of Hewison and Hoyle; brittle batting of previous seasons has become more reliable and is well backed up by sound bowling and keen fielding. We all look forward to the second half of the season and hope for more good cricket.

P.C.

Second XI

Captain: H. King

Vice-Captain: R. Morrell

Due to the fact that many schools do not now turn out a Second XI, the number of fixtures for this team is rather small.

On April 28th, the first match of the season unfortunately had to be cancelled because of rain.

On May 2nd, the team turned out for the first game against Doncaster Grammar School and lost by 26 runs; Doncaster, batting first, made 82, and the School replied with 56. The next fixture on May 9th was postponed until later in the season with the result that only one match was played before half-term.

The second half of the season started on June 13th with a match against King Edward VII Grammar School, Sheffield, and in this the School managed to force a draw.

In the last match played to date, the team achieved a splendid win over Goole Grammar School. Goole, batting first, scored 113 for 5 declared, and the School replied with 115 for 3. This result augurs well for the rest of the season and, with quite a few matches still to be played, we look forward to some good cricket.

P.C.

Under 15 XI

The Under 15 XI started the season with two defeats, mainly as a result of bad all round batting performance, but after the game in which Tadcaster were beaten by 5 wickets and Coleman took 5 for 15, the team has already grown in confidence. When the team played Archbishop Holgate's Grammar School, the best batting performance of the season so far was achieved. We batted for 90 minutes and reached a total of 137 for 7 declared. The notable performances were by C. Walker (36), L. Bullough (24), and T. Coleman (19). In reply Archbishop Holgate's reached a total of 57 for 7. The fielding in this game was an outstanding feature, and K. Morton is a strength in his wicket-keeping.

C. Kelsey, 4A¹

Under 14 XI

The team has had some poor results this season, stemming mainly from a distinct lack of confidence in its own batting ability. In most of the matches the bowling has been more than adequate, and invariably the opposition has been bowled out for a relatively low score, but as previously mentioned diffident batting has in the end lost the game.

Recent matches have shown that confidence is growing among the batsmen, and as the season closes, I am sure that the improvement in all aspects of the game will give more pleasing results and also a better outlook for the season to come.

G.H.H.

Under 13 Cricket

In the matches played in the early part of the season the team has shown tremendous potential both with bat and ball. The first game against Normanton G.S. produced that rare result in cricket — a tie.

In the allotted 20 overs Normanton made 45 - 8, with D. Gill bowling exceptionally well to capture five wickets, and he was well supported by the other bowlers. After a steady start to the innings K.S.P. lost wickets cheaply due to excellent fielding and catching by the Normanton boys, and at 36 for 9 looked in danger of defeat. However, the last pair, S. W. Darley and M. Priestley, batted sensibly taking safe singles and hitting the bad ball and made the scores level. Normanton kept calm and although Darley hit the ball hard, mid-off took a good catch to tie the match.

Against Tadcaster G.S. at home the fast bowling of D. Gill (six wickets for five runs) and T. Morgan, coupled with good fielding, was too much for the visiting batsmen and Tadcaster were put out for 20. K.S.P. had little difficulty in winning by 9 wickets. The side has been well captained by I. L. Hanks and the boys who have played are:- P. M. Bowler, M. R. Broughton, S. W. Darley, M. S. Finlay, R. Allen, M. Gill, D. J. Gill, J. W. Harvey, T. E. Morgan, T. Morgan, N. L. Rush, N. Walker, M. C. Ward, and M. Priestley.

M.A.T.

FIRST FORMS XI

In spite of notable individual contributions, the Under 12 Team has not developed into a winning side this year. Grant, the Captain, and Close have gained some good scores in a side where the batting has been rather shaky. Copley, Close, and Grant have bowled well, but the prize for the most consistently impressive performance of the season goes to Purkis, the wicket-keeper.

Enjoyment and loyalty have been conspicuous amongst the team. Special credit in this respect must go to the aptly named Revell, whose witty badinage has livened up the journey home from many of the defeats which his own modest scores have failed to avert.

R.M.C.

CRICKET RESULTS

First XI

- Apr. 25 v. Adwick School at home. Won by 90 runs.
K.S.P. 100 for 7 declared.
Adwick School 10 all out.
- 28 v. Ermysted's G.S., Skipton at home. Lost by 7 wickets.
K.S.P. 36 all out.
Skipton 37 for 3.
- May 2 v. Doncaster G.S. at home. Match Drawn.
K.S.P. 97 for 9.
Doncaster 61 for 4.
- 6 v. Rothwell G.S. at home. Match Drawn.
Rothwell 101 for 8.
K.S.P. 67 for 8.
- 16 v. Tadcaster G.S. away. Match Drawn.
Tadcaster 99 for 6 declared.
Rain stopped play.
- June 6 v. Castleford G.S. away. Won by 98 runs.
K.S.P. 165 for 3.
Castleford 67 all out.
- 13 v. King Edward VII G.S. away. Won by 57 runs.
K.S.P. 132.
King Edward VII 75.
- 20 v. Goole G.S. at home. Match drawn.
K.S.P. 132 for 9.
Goole 97 for 6.
- 27 v. Normanton G.S. Match abandoned.
- July 1 v. Drax G.S. at home. Match drawn.
K.S.P. 150 for 8 declared.
Drax 145 for 4.
- 4 v. Normanton G.S. (rearranged) at home.
Won by 4 runs (30 over match).
K.S.P. 106 for 9.
Normanton 102 for 8.
- 9 v. Roundhay G.S. away.

Second XI

- May 2 v. Doncaster G.S. away. Lost by 26 runs.
Doncaster 82 all out.
K.S.P. 56 all out.
- 9 v. Archbishop Holgate's G.S. away. Postponed.
- June 13 v. King Edward VII G.S. at home. Match drawn.
King Edward VII 123.
K.S.P. 48 for 8.
- 20 v. Goole G.S. away. Won by 7 wickets.
Goole 115 for 5.
K.S.P. 116 for 3.
- 27 v. Normanton G.S. away. Match abandoned.
- July 1 v. Drax G.S. away. Match drawn.
Drax 66.
K.S.P. 23 for 8.
- 9 v. Roundhay G.S. at home.

Under 13 XI

- May 4 v. Normanton G.S. away. Match drawn.
K.S.P. 45 all out.
Normanton 45 for 8.
- 16 v. Tadcaster G.S. at home. Won by 9 wickets.
Tadcaster 20 all out.
K.S.P. 21 for 1.
- June 6 v. Castleford and Oakwood at home. Won by 7 wickets.
Oakwood 15.
K.S.P. 17 for 3.
- 15 v. St. Wilfrid's at home. Won by 39 runs.
K.S.P. 39 for 6.
St. Wilfrid's 20.
- 17 v. Normanton G.S. at home. Match tied.
K.S.P. 37.
Normanton 37.
- 30 v. St. Olave's away. Match drawn.
St. Olave's 95 for 9 declared.
K.S.P. 30 for 8.
- July 1 v. Drax G.S. away. Won by 14 runs.
K.S.P. 80 for 8 declared.
Drax 66.
- 9 v. Roundhay G.S. away.

Under 15 XI

- Apr. 25 v. Adwick School away. Lost by 1 wicket.
K.S.P. 29.
Adwick School 30 for 9.
- May 2 v. Doncaster G.S. at home. Lost by 5 wickets.
K.S.P. 41.
Doncaster 42 for 5.
- 16 v. Tadcaster G.S. at home. Won by 5 wickets.
Tadcaster 44.
K.S.P. 45 for 5.
- Jun. 6 v. Archbishop Holgate's Grammar School away. Match drawn.
K.S.P. 137 for 7 declared.
A.H.G.S. 57 for 7.
- June 13 v. King Edward VII G.S. away. Lost by 79 runs.
King Edward VII 118.
K.S.P. 39.
- 20 v. Goole G.S. at home. Won by 58 runs.
K.S.P. 109.
Goole 51.
- 30 v. Normanton G.S. at home. Won by 5 wickets.
Normanton 66.
K.S.P. 67 for 5.
- July 1 v. Drax G.S. at home. Match drawn.
K.S.P. 159 for 7 declared.
Drax 96 for 8.
- 9 v. Roundhay G.S. at home.

Under 14 XI

- May 2 v. Doncaster G.S. away. Won by 5 wickets.
Doncaster 35.
K.S.P. 36 for 5.
- 16 v. Tadcaster G.S. away. Lost by 5 wickets.
K.S.P. 60 (7 reserves played because of a School trip to Sheffield).
Tadcaster 61 for 5.
- Jun. 6 v. Castleford G.S. at home. Lost by 9 runs.
Castleford 45.
K.S.P. 36.
- June 13 v. King Edward VII G.S. at home. Lost by 26 runs.
King Edward VII 34.
K.S.P. 8.
- 20 v. Goole G.S. away. Won by 4 wickets.
Goole 63.
K.S.P. 64 for 6.
- 27 v. Normanton G.S. away. Lost by 2 runs (overs match).
Normanton 101 for 5.
K.S.P. 99 for 4.
- Jul. 11 v. Batley G.S. at home.

Under 12 XI

- Apr. 28 v. Ermysted's G.S. at home. Lost by 12 runs.
Ermysted 39.
K.S.P. 27.
- May 15 v. Queen Elizabeth G.S. at home. Lost by 10 wickets.
K.S.P. 15.
Q.E.G.S. 16 for none.
- June 12 v. Q.E.G.S. away. Lost by 83 runs.
Q.E.G.S. 108 for 9 declared.
K.S.P. 25.
- 13 v. King Edward VII G.S. away. Lost by 30 runs.
King Edward VII 46.
K.S.P. 16.
- 15 v. Normanton G.S. away. Lost by 84 runs.
Normanton 126.
K.S.P. 42.
- 17 v. Normanton G.S. at home. Lost by 41 runs.
Normanton 74.
K.S.P. 33.
- 30 v. St. Olave's away. Lost by 10 wickets.
K.S.P. 14.
St. Olave's 15 for 0.

Rugby

A number of Sevens Competitions were entered in the second term, junior sides taking part as well as the senior side.

Under 13 Sevens at Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield.

This was the first occasion of the competition and the School side was successful in winning with the following results:-

First Round v. Kettlethorpe City H.S. won 11 - 0
Second Round v. Normanton G.S. won 5 - 0
Final v. Leeds G.S. won 3 - 0

Our congratulations go to the team,
M. R. Broughton (Captain)

R. Allen
P. M. Bowler
I. L. Hanks
S. P. Jackson
T. Morgan
M. C. Ward

Under 14 Sevens at Hemsworth High School.

The side won its group having to play Minsthorpe H.S. twice since one school in the group failed to arrive.

Group Results v. Minsthorpe H.S. won 8 - 5
v. Minsthorpe H.S. won 8 - 0
Semi-final v. Willowgarth School won 14 - 5
Final v. Castleford G.S. lost 0 - 20

Under 15 Sevens

Five competitions were entered but four only contested, the Doncaster Sevens had to be cancelled because of bad weather. On two occasions we fielded two Sevens. The boys in these teams are to be congratulated on their play and enthusiasm even though they failed to win a competition. The A side came nearest to winning at Minsthorpe where they were put out of the competition by a strong and mature looking Hemsworth H.S. side.

Minsthorpe Sevens Results:

A Team

Round 1 v. Minsthorpe H.S. (B) won 13 - 0
Round 2 v. Hipperholme G.S. won 5 - 0
Semi-final v. Hemsworth H.S. lost 10 - 13

B Team

Round 1 v. Temple Moor School lost 3 - 6

Losers Competition

Round 1 v. Aston Woodhouse School won 10 - 0
Round 2 v. Morley G.S. won 3 - 0
Semi-final v. St. Wilfrid's H.S. lost 3 - 5

Hemsworth Sevens.

Group Results

K.S.P. v. Doncaster G.S. 5 - 3
Castleford G.S. v. Doncaster G.S. 6 - 0
K.S.P. v. Castleford G.S. 6 - 6
Castleford won the group on points and went forward to the semi-final.

Roundhay Sevens.

Group Results

A Team

v. Nunthorpe G.S. won 10 - 0
v. Normanton G.S. drew 0 - 0
v. Leeds G.S. lost 3 - 5

Leeds G.S. won the group and went forward to win the competition.

B Team

Group Results

v. West Leeds H.S. lost 8 - 11
v. Rothwell G.S. lost 3 - 10
v. Roundhay School lost 6 - 14

Halifax Schools' Sevens at Hipperholme.

Round 1 v. West Leeds H.S. won 6 - 0
Round 2 v. Heath G.S. lost 0 - 5

Senior Sevens

Ilkley Sevens, 21st March.

The day started with disappointment when we found that our first round opponents, Thorne's House School, had scratched and we had to wait until afternoon for the first game. The side played well throughout the competition and were disappointed at not getting through to the final and so missing an opportunity of meeting Cowley School.

Results

Round 2 v. Morley G.S. won 19 - 0
Round 3 v. Rothwell G.S. won 6 - 0
Semi-final v. Hipperholme G.S. lost 0 - 5

Halifax Schools' Sevens at Hipperholme.

This competition provided us with our first taste of victory in a Sevens Competition at senior level. The team played well in the first round, the victory over Heath G.S. giving the necessary confidence to go forward. In the third round against Queen Elizabeth Grammar School the score was close and it was due to some excellent cover tackling that defeat was avoided. In the final, Blackpool, a strong side who had won four sevens competitions during the season, were confident and soon opened the scoring. The School side fought back and put themselves in the lead during the time that R. Holland was off the field with slight concussion. From a spectators point of view it was a tremendous relief to hear the final whistle and then to share, with the team, in their success. I shall long remember, as I know the seven boys will, those first few minutes when it was difficult to realise we had won the competition.

Results

Round 1 v. Heath G.S. won 8 - 3
Round 2 v. Archbishop Holgates G.S. won 13 - 5
Round 3 v. Queen Elizabeth G.S. won 6 - 3
Semi-final v. Scarborough H.S. won 16 - 8
Final v. Blackpool G.S. won 12 - 8

Team

S. J. Gott (Captain)
S. J. Gogarty
C. Hewison
R. N. Holland
S. V. Hoyle
P. S. Sykes
D. Thorpe



Under 13 Sevens

Back Row: P. M. Bowler, R. Allen, M. C. Ward, T. Morgan.
Front Row: I. L. Hanks, M. R. Broughton (Captain), S. P. Jackson.

Bridlington Sevens. 30th March

On this occasion the team played badly, never getting into their stride.

Round 1 v. Rothwell G.S. lost 0 - 6

Losers Competition

Round 1 v. Hipperholme G.S. lost 6 - 13

Loughborough Sevens. 5th April

Two sides were entered in this competition and so the group of boys who, by attending practices had contributed much to the sevens success, were able to get some competition experience. To achieve success twice in one season was too much to hope for but it did come our way to provide another unforgettable experience. In the early rounds the side looked good and gained in confidence; in some of the games their control of the situation was a joy to watch. The semi-final produced a harder game whilst the final was a dour affair which we were delighted to win after having lost to Hipperholme at Ilkley and at Bridlington.

Results

Round 1 v. St. Bede's School, Manchester	won 24 - 3
Round 2 v. Morley G.S.	won 16 - 5
Round 3 v. Trinity School, Northampton	won 20 - 0
Round 4 v. Solihull School	won 25 - 3
Semi-final v. Hemsworth H.S.	won 13 - 5
Final v. Hipperholme G.S.	won 9 - 5



Senior Team

Back Row: S. V. Hoyle, C. Hewison, R. N. Holland, S. W. Garbett, D. Thorpe.
Front Row: P. S. Sykes, S. J. Gott (Captain), S. J. Gogarty.

The team was the same as that which played at R. N. Holland who was unable to play after the in-Hipperholme except that S. W. Garbett replaced jury at Hipperholme. Much of the credit for the success of the senior sevens side must go to Mr. D. D. Porter who has worked hard with the team. I am particularly pleased that this group has been successful as they have so clearly been committed to the game not only this year, but throughout their School life.

Next Season

The fixture list for next season follows the general pattern which is now well established. A Sevens Competition, at senior level, will be held at the School on Tuesday, 29th September, when twelve schools will take part. This should be an enjoyable occasion and will provide useful match experience for the Manchester Sevens the following week. At the end of the season, on Thursday, 17th December, we shall be entertaining the First XV from Eltham College in London who will be in Yorkshire as the guests of Archbishop Holgate's School, York.

The under 13 and under 14 teams will again go on tour to Blackpool during the October half-term and, as last year, will play games against Stonyhurst College, Kirkham Grammar School, and King Edward VII School, Lytham. It is hoped to arrange a First XV tour to the London area but the details are not available for publication in the magazine. A.J.L.

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Although we are pleased to report that Mr. Williamson is much better and is 'back in harness', it has again been necessary to curtail the Association Notes and Comment.

ASSOCIATION NOTES

Committee Meeting

A meeting of the Committee was held in the School Library on Tuesday, 23rd June — to consider the general situation and to agree upon a course of action to meet some concern that had been expressed at a previous Meeting.

It was agreed to sound past and present members as to the degree of support to be expected if the Association is to continue to be of benefit to both Old Boys and the School.

A personal letter is to be sent to all old Boys who have been members over the past five years — asking if they wish to retain their membership or otherwise — and a Meeting will be held at the School on TUESDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER at which all replies will be considered. It is hoped that as many as can possibly do so will attend this Meeting.

Thanks

Members of the Association extend their congratulations and good wishes to Mr. Aldous upon his appointment as Headmaster of Leeds Grammar School. We thank him for the conscientious manner in which he has sought to help the Association as both President and Headmaster of the School. We wish both Mr. and Mrs. Aldous well in their new home.

Ties

Association ties (the School crest on a black background) are available from the School, the Secretary, or the Treasurer at a cost of 14/6.

A substantial stock of ties is held — and it is, of course, an advantage to the Association to have a reasonably quick turnover.

News of Old Boys

MARRIAGES

Christopher W. Leach (1958-65) to Miss Geraldine Thomas of Neath.

Robert I. Makin (1955-62) to Miss Penelope J. Jackson of Townville.

Peter Wray (1959-66) to Miss Karen E. Bucknall of Pontefract.

Barry de Silva (1956-63) to Miss Pauline A. Sturdy of Gravesend.

Old Boys' Honours and Successes

John Dwyer (Staff 1961-66) has been appointed Headmaster of Whitley Bay Grammar School in Northumberland as from September, 1970.

Nigel Cawthorn (1958-66) has been awarded a First Class Honours M.Sc. Degree in Geology at the University of Aberdeen. Nigel is now in British Columbia, Canada, where he begins in October research for a Ph.D. Degree at the University of Vancouver.

Keith A. R. Harwood (1960-67) has been awarded a B.Sc. Honours Degree, Class II (i), in the Electrical Science Tripos at Trinity College, Cambridge.

Philip C. Milner (1960-67) has been awarded a B.Sc. Honours Degree, Class II (i), in the Theoretical Physics Tripos at Trinity College, Cambridge.

Malcolm S. Jones has been awarded a B.A. Honours Degree, Class II (i), in German at the University of Hull. He hopes to do research there next year.

Gerard Price has been awarded a Ph.D. Degree in Civil Engineering at the University of Sheffield.

Dr. John Sunderland has recently been in charge of survey work in the Shetland Islands for the Geological Survey of Great Britain.

Barry De Silva (1956-63) is now a senior systems analyst with a computer firm in London.

R. F. Cox (1953-Christmas 1954), whose father taught French at the School from 1947 to 1954, is now one of the Co-Directors of Studies in Modern Languages at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.

Alan J. Robinson (1960-65) is to teach French and start German at Malton Grammar School in September.

F. A. Woodhead has been awarded a B.Sc. Honours Degree, Class II (i) in Geology at the University of Liverpool.

Nigel Harrison (1960-67) has been awarded a First Class Honours B.A. Degree in Music at the University of Durham.

Martin L. Gallon (1961-67) has been awarded a B.Sc. Honours Degree, Class III, (University of London External) at Kingston College of Technology. Martin flies out to Zambia on the 27th August to join his brother Tony as a field geologist with R.S.T. in Zambia.

Michael Tucker (1958-65) was awarded a C.N.A.A. Honours Degree, Class II (i) in Electrical Engineering at Huddersfield College of Technology in June, 1969. Michael has now been accepted for an M.Sc. course at the University of Manchester.

Christopher W. Leach (1958-65) is now teaching at the Willows Junior School in Grimsby.

Note: Details of Old Boys' Honours and Successes will be given in the January 1971 edition of the 'Pomfretian'.