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NAINOTLAM 3D

The paper that gives backward views on forward ideas

Dear Editor,

Where does all the money go to that comes in by the School Levy every year? Surely, many more of the pupils will agree with me by saying 30/- per annum is too much to expect when no other school in the district pays anywhere near half the amount.

Games fixtures have not been increased and the upkeep of games equpment has remained very nearly the same.

In spite of cutting down by giving fewer prizes for form improvers the cost of the levy was raised.

Reduce this back to 15/- per annum -

PLEASE

Yours faithfully,

Kathleen Smith (4B)

A pupil caught in the credit squeeze.

Whilst we realize that the School Levy is high, we feel that pupils get good value for their money and that the school is quite justified in asking parents to pay this amount.

For example, it is not true to say that the number of games fixtures has not increased. In the last few years there has been a marked increase in the number of fixtures, especially junior, played, both in basketball and football, and in addition boys' hockey has been introduced. The school can now boast that it produces five football elevens, two basketball squads, one boys and two girls hockey elevens, badminton and cross-country teams and very occasionally a netball team, and that is in the winter months alone. In summer cricket and tennis teams must be added to the list. For every away fixture, transport must be paid for, and for every home fixture refreshments have to be provided. It cannot be claimed that only a tiny minority of the school benefit in this way as so many of our boys and girls from the 1st to the 6th forms feature in one team or another.

In addition, "The Maltonian" has maintained its size, and, we believe its quality, in spite of rapidly increased printing costs. We at M.G.S. have to carry an increased burden in so far as there are so few pupils. We couls produce the same magazine for only a little over half the cost if there were twice as many readers.

During the last few years our expenditure has increased and income has not. As a result a considerable overdraft had accrued and it is to wipe this off that the levy had to be doubled. But other steps have been taken to raise money, one being the publishing of "Nainotlam", which we hope will ease the burden of the cost of the magazine. Experiments have also begun in changing the form of games refreshments, with a view to making them cheaper and yet not less satisfying and refreshing. When the deficit on school funds has been wiped out, it may be possible for the school levy to be reduced, but it will never be reduced back to five shillings a term unless "The Maltonian" ceases to be published and the number of school fixtures is drastically reduced. It is a simple case of that we as a school can only get what we pay for.

Editor.

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To Mrs. Emmerson

Grateful thanks from all members of the Editorial Committee for all the help you have given us. Our thanks too, to Mr. Ray for all the typing he has done.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

Having read with interest the first edition of 'Nainotlam' I would like to submit the following forward idea with a backward view: a revision of the school crest.

Explanatory notes on Heraldry

Top Left Flat caps of the worker and teacher in recognition of those who supply the pupils and of those who teach the pupils.

Top Right Off-white chrysanthamum of Calem (in honour of the gardner) representing the flowers which annually adorn the strip of land from the Prefect's Room to the cricket store.

Bottom left Remains as it is except that the space should be filled with slogans about Vietnam or the current popular protest.

Bottom Right "V" is re-inverted in honour of Sir Winston Churchill.

The oval spaces should be completed by those more artistically talented than I. The centre one is for a portrait of the Headmaster. The bottom left is for the Headmistress and the bottom right for me to satisfy my ego.

The motto is self-explanatory.

Finally, to quote a well-known saying - "I wish you could see all this in colour".

Wishing you every success with "Nainotlam".

Yours faithfully,
A. R. Cadamy G.C.E.

School Uniform

Dear Sir,

In the last issue of Nainotlam a very strong article against the wearing of school uniform was published on the front page. May I point out a few of the difficulties this would cause.

1. The school would lose its identity when meeting other schools and in the town after school.
2. Although the worthy writer points out that no out rageous clothing would be worn, one always gets a minority who try to look just that little better than those who can't afford the more expensive clothes. Therefore, school uniform keeps a common

School Uniform cont....

standard throughout the school, which it would be otherwise impossible to attain.

3. If, as the author suggests, it was only the Upper School who were allowed to give up wearing school uniform, then it would not be long before the Lower School wanted the same privilege. An example of this may be seen in a selection of attendants at the Senior Christmas party.

This is not written by someone with any strong views either for or against uniform, but I am merely trying to put a case in opposition to last month's effort.

Yours,
etc. etc.

P.S. My name is not Rosey Ware either.

The Prefects

Dear Editor,

It has been noticed - due to our extra-sensitive perception - that we are receiving little, if any, support from members of the Upper 6th. This, surprisingly, applies more to the Prefects than non-prefects. Is it that they find our magazine too far beneath them? Or have they been too wrapped up in exams? Are they too "broke" to support us by purchasing copies? And as for contributing towards the literary content, is it that they just haven't got anything worth saying? Any Answers?

Yours faithfully & hopefully,
The Lower Sixth.

MINI REACTIONS
(apologies to V.A.M.)

Who is this who bans our knees?
What do we care for the freeze?
Who cares whether rain or storm
We'll have the boys to keep us warm.
Who cares whether pink or green
God gave us knees, they must be seen.
You like trousers, we do too
But who's to wear them us or you?
Paris forecasts higher still
Will we wear them? Yes, we will!
All your words will be in vain
Emily Pankhurst strikes again.
She's the one who gave us rights
And the mini's reach their heights
We've got the mini car and bus
So please don't let us have a fuss,
Even in a sack we's flirt
Then why not in a mini skirt?

C.B. & H.R.

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Watch this space.

The Ten Commandments of the Library

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5. Honour both male and female librarians that thy days may be long in the library which thy Governors giveth thee.
6. Thou shalt do no tearing.
7. Thou shalt not sit two in a booth.
8. Thou shalt not remove books from the library un-recorded,
9. Thou shalt not bear false dates on thy date stamp.
10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's book, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's chair, not his booth, nor his table, nor his place in the issuing queue nor anything that is his.

P.J.C.

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THE WEATHER FORECAST

The black cloud (commonly known as exams) which has been hanging over the school, and causing a deep depression over Forms V and VI Upper has moved away. So temperatures are back to normal.

"Hurricane Horror" (more usually known as Reports) will be hitting the school shortly, and it is this that is responsible for the zone of High Pressure which has centred over the Staff. "Hurricane Horror" will bring with it an area of Low Pressure which will settle over some pupils thus causing lowered spirits.

There will be rain this month but it is hoped that the new plumbing in the toilets will prevent floods.

Room One will remain the sunniest room in the school, whilst the usual showers will be found in the Staff and Prefects' Rooms.

The Tempestuous weather produced by "Gale Force Ate" will continue in the North West part of the school. Weather will be particularly stormy during the dinner hours, and so pupils attempting the crossing to the gym should be especially careful. Because of high winds flying is inadvisable.

The Chemistry Laboratory will be fog (or is it 'smog'?) bound. This will hamper traffic considerable. Meanwhile the Domestics Science Room will be subject to occasional semi-tropical temperatures.

Thundering rumblings will be heard coming from the music (?) room. Whilst flashes not unlike lightening will strike in the Physics Lab.

All stormy weather will, however, pass over towards Easter, and brighter weather will follow as a strong front, known as 'The Easter Holidays', moves across the whole school.

"Tache" F.R. Met. S.

(Female of the Royal Metempsychosis Society).

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AUNTY MAGGIE'S REMEDY!

Introducing our problem page....

Dear Aunty Maggie,
I have one big problem in my life, and I just cannot find a solution to it - "If R is the radius of the circum-circle of Triangle ABC, prove that

$$R = \frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

deduce the formula

$$R = \frac{abc}{4x}$$

where x = the area of the triangle.

"Confused"

Dear Confused,
Try Mrs. Kaye or Mr. Mason. Failing that, the B.B.C. Brains Trust.

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Dear Mag!
I wear glasses, but when I go out with my boyfriend he keeps catching his nose on them. If I don't wear glasses I can't see a thing.

Myopic

Dear Myopic,
The way I see it you have a choice between three solutions:-
a) Find a boyfriend with a shorter nose.
b) Wear contact lenes.
c) Get a boyfriend you can trust in the dark.

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Dear Aunty Thungamyjig,
My prblem is ingrowing toenails, what can I do?

Train them to grow outwards.

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Dear Aunty Thing,
My cat is stuck in a plumtree. What do you suggest?

Get it a proper mate!

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Dear A. M.
Although I am 14 years old, my mum won't let me have a perm

Sorry, Ralph, it's not the done thing!

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Dear Aunty Mag,
No matter how hard I try, I just don't make friends easily. Help me please!

Lonely.

Dear Lonely,
Try (a) Lifebuoy, (b) Colgate's toothpaste (c) Clearosil. And if all fail they can work wonders with plastic surgery nowadays.

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Dear Ogahwhatsit,
I am 16 but my measurements are only 32 - 22 - 32.

"Skinny"

Dear Skinny,
Twiggy made it pay, which goes to prove that if you try you can make a little go a long. long, way.

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Dear Who-ever-you-are,
When I asked my mum where babies came from, she told me they were found under gooseberry bushes. Feeling that she had not been completely truthful, I asked my aunt. She brought storks into the matter. Our biology teacher had an even more fantastic idea. So..... who's lying?

"Puzzled"

Dear Puzzled,
Ask Dad.

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To R.W. (Heslerton): Don't worry too much about this, it always happens to some people.

To C.R. (Norton): You could try dying it. (Send S.A.E. for further information).

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BUTLER SCORES FIVE

Whitby G.S. 2 Malton G.S. 7

Having only defeated Whitby by five goals to four on our own pitch earlier in the season we expected a hardly fought match. (This was the match in which Leadill broke his leg).

From the kick-off a Whitby defensive error allowed Butler to score with a good left footed drive. Hopper soon showed his paces, and his well-judged passes soon displayed the deficiences of the Whitby defence. Butler added two more goals from good centres from Collinson, who was playing extremely well. In pourring rain Whitby scored a goal, but M.G.S. replied with gials by Hopper and Taylor to make the half-time score 5 - 1.

Butler soon scored again after the interval but Whitby's hopes were raised when they scored another goal. At this stage there was a 'fouling spate'. Thompson hurt his leg in a foul tackle and Mazonas was dragged backwards by an opposing forward. However, the referee kept control of the game, and the Malton defence stood firm. Hughes saved several good shots, one from point blank range. Butler scored his fifth towards the end and Craven hit the post.

Team: Hughes, Mazonas A. Burn, Dunning, Stainsby, Thompson, Collinson, Hopper, Butler, Taylor, Craven.

D.T.

UNDER 15's WIN

Whitby G.S. 5 Malton G.S. 6

On a muddy pitch M.G.S. soon took advantage through G.Pickard. They did not, however, keep the lead for long; Whitby scored two quick goals. Sunley restored Malton's lead with two goals to make the score level at half-time at 3 - 3. After the re-start Malton scored again through Saltmer and this was followed by a goal from Eames. Whitby fought back with two more goals to level the score at 5 all. Late in the half Sunley completed his hat-trick and gave M.G.S. a final winning lead. From then on Malton attacked consistently and were unlucky not to score again. This was a well-deserved win.

C.S.

STEPHEN EVANS BREAKS LEG

This accident occurred in an Under 15 match against Castle Howard just before half-term. Evans seemed to fall awkwardly on his leg. It is feared that he may not return to school this Term. Cheer up Stephen. Take comfort from the fact that you are not the first to have broken your leg playing football this school year. Pete Leadill did the same thing playing for the 1st XI against Whitby just before Christmas, and Stephen Turley's broken arm, done playing basketball earlier this Term helps to prove that these things always happen in threes!!!

BREWER IN WINNING YORKS SIDE

David Brewer, making his sixth appearance for the full Yorkshire County Schoolboys Hockey XI was instrumental in their 3 - 1 victory at Brigg on Sunday against Lincolnshire. Brewer had an extremely good first half and began the move which resulted in Yorkshire's second goal. In the second half most of the play was in the Lincolnshire half and he had very little to do. The Yorkshire side are undefeated in all their six matches this season and with one match remaining, against Cheshire, at Doncaster on March 11th could well finish the season without being defeated.

Three boys from M.G.S. will be attending further County Hockey Trials at Stronsall next month; they are Brewer, Hornett and Goldard.

February's Results

1st XI

v Askham Bryan	(Away)	WON 2 - 1
v York Tech.	(Away)	WON 8 - 5
v York University	(Home)	WON4 - 2
v Thirsk	(Home)	WON 8 - 1
v Whitby	(Away)	WON 7 - 2

2nd XI

v Driffield	(Away)	WON 3 - 2
v Thirsk	(Home)	WON 6 - 0

Under 15

v Castle Howard	(Home)	LOST 1 - 4
v Norton	(Away)	LOST 1 - 6
v Whitby	(Away)	WON 6 - 5

Under 14 XI

v Ryedale	(Away)	LOST 2 - 4

Under 13 XI

v Bootham	(Home)	WON 4 - 1
v Norton	(Away)	WON 7 - 2

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House Cross Country

The Junior and Senior House Cross Country Championships take place on Wednesday, March 8th. Each House will enter 6 runners in both Senior and Junior (all 6 to count). The House Championships to be decided on the winning overall positions.

Sport carries on here.....

Basketball

GIRLS' TEAM NARROWLY DEFEATED.

On Wednesday Feb. 22nd a girls' basketball team travelled to Pickering. Our opponents had been playing basketball for a Term, and challenged us to a friendly match. Our own team had had little practice and were, therefore, quite satisfied with our result - a defeat by 26 - 24. We were not particularly impressed with the skills of the Pickering team, but whilstowe made many breaks, our own shooting accuracy left much to be desired. Towards the end of the match, female talons were being extended and the Pickering girls were beginning to object to our interpretation of the rules. The Referee's comment at the end? "Much tougher than the boys!"

S.S.

CARLISLE CLINCH VICTORY

With their final victory by 16 - 8 over Holgate last Thursday Carlisle made sure of retaining the Senior House Basketball Championships. Five of their six matches resulted in victories and their only defeat was to Fitzwilliam by one point. The strongly fancied favourites Willoughby proved to be very disappointing and finished very low in the Table. With most of their team available next year Holgate must be well satisfied with their performance; for Fitzwilliam prospects seem good for next year - Featherstone and Hartley, both 4th formers figured well in their scorelines.

House Football Finals

The final matches in the House Football Championships take place on Wednesday; they are:-

Willoughby v Fitzwilliam
Holgate v Carlisle

At present the situation is:-

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Holgate	2	1	1	0	6	3	3
Carlisle	2	1	1	0	5	4	3
Willoughby	2	0	1	1	3	4	1
Fitzwilliam	2	0	1	1	4	7	1

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Lyke Wake Walk

The 15 Mile Practice Walk will take place on Wednesday March, 15 at 1.15.

The Sports Editor Speaks.....

Following the controversy on Page one of this issue re School Levy I have done some further research into actual fugures involved. Of the one hundred and thirty one boys in the school eighty five have represented the school so far this school year at either football, basketball or Cross Country - with the Under 14 Basketball Trials taking place this coming Thursday and the cricket and athletics season still some weeks away this figure could be still higher by the end of the current school year. At the time of going to press 65% of the boys in this school have represented the school in an inter-school event.

In some Boys's Schools the Hockey and the Football are played in separate seasons (e.g. Football in the Autumn Term and Hockey in the Spring Term); this does, of course, cut down travelling expenses somewhat but it also follows that most of the boys who play in the Football 1st XI also compose the Hockey XI, thus, cutting out of school teams altogether some boys who show some flair for hockey and none for footb. I have no doubt that if this system were used here several of our 1st X footballers could be converted into excellent hockey players.

The organization of the games at M.G.S. is such that all boys get a chance to play as many games as possible and by the time they leave school should have decided which game they like to play best; for it must be remembered that when one joins a club after leaving school there is usually a club subscription to pay and single match expenses can often be in excess of 5/-. Our system often means that some teams might not be as strong as they could be because Hockey and Football are being played at the same time but remember the motto of the Olympic games - to compete in the game for the love of the game and not for any reward.

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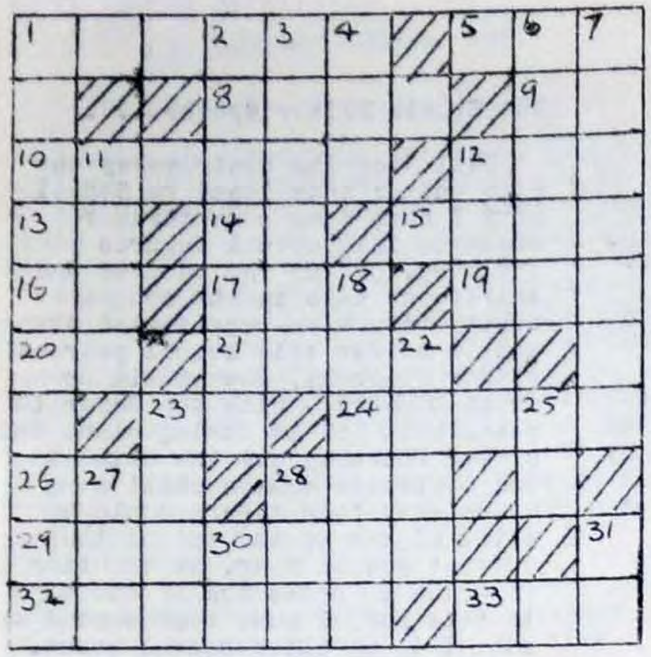

Clues Across.

1. Caped Cricketer.
5. Possible on a heavy motor-bike.
8. For writing backwards.
9. Italian river.
10. Toothpaste sign.
12. Form of transport.
13. Cassius Clay does this.
14. Another way round Religious Knowledge.
15. Oliver Cromwell had one.
16. Sheep that lost its 'e'
17. Some people ..... to live, others live to .....
19. Please turn over.
20. Thank-you.
21. Backward girl.
23. At the end of a letter.
24. Disliked in French.
26. One of our forebears.
28. ..... Dorsey.
29. Magic light.
32. City fighter.
33. Used by golfers.

Clues Down.

1. Played at M.G.S.
2. Group of animals.
3. Bible mountain.
4. Arsenal 10, York City ?
7. Whose is the new swimming bath?
6. Modern drawing.
11. State of America.
12. Not often worn by schoolboys.
18. A place to go 'inn'.
22. Roger .... - 270 disc jockey.
23. Gave his name to a U.S. state.
25. Even his best friends didn't tell him.
28. Probably a lion.
30. Initials of a famous cricketer.
31. Yours truly.

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GOSSIP COLUMN.

The school has shown great enthusiasm over the "Lyke Wake Walk". Rigorous training has been started already with two girls walking to school from Rillington one morning. Will the staff abandon their cars for "Shank's Pony" or are they the unathletic type?

It was a shame he wasted all that money on the Valentine Card, he ought to have bought someone a spoon to stir it with - wooden of course.

Which member of staff thinks that we take our feet off when entering Jewish homes. Perhaps he lives in a semi-detached house also.

What does Mr. Makins want for Christmas; just one, or the usual two?

Mr. Rolls persists in trying to make us believe in fairy tales during our English lessons.

Who's taking all the profits from the illegal importation of rubber bands to M.G.S.?

Some second-formers have suddenly taken an interest in their opposite sex. If they pursue their amorous activities at dances outside school perhaps they can be persuaded to attend school dances. Some even confessed to enjoying their afternoon matinee at the Palace. Was it the Ballet that proved so interesting?

Life will now resume its normal course at M.G.S. after the students' departure. Naturally we are all mourning in navy.

I thought it was only girls who rinsed their hair but it seems one of the "others" does it. He openly admitted this.

Did we all have the same trouble when learning to whistle as one sixth form girl, who confessed that she always sucked until one day she blew, and Hey Presto!

A certain O.M's beard seems to have attracted one of our fifth formers. I should think she will find herself in frequent ticklish situations.

Two of our fourth form girls seem to be in need of aid. One requires glasses, I'm quite sure; if not, then she must be stark raving mad, and the other needs a box to stand on. I was always told sausages would make my hair curl, perhaps they will make her grow - who knows? And on that romantic note I will leave you for another month.

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THE GREAT EXPEDITION 1967.

It has been announced that a select party from the Senior School is to attempt the Lyke Wake Walk in summer. Candidates were invited to sign the provisional list, lesser mortals are to be pruned on 8 and 25 mile practices. Among the probables are nine members of staff, although odds are heavily against more than five of these "coming under starters orders".

Reports that the Headmaster intends to make the trip in a litter carried by four members of the Fifth Form are greatly exaggerated - he only wants two members of the Fifth Form.

We hear preparations are already started. Mr.Pay has cut down to 1 oz. a day. Mr.Whitelegg is doing weight training to help his "short fat hairy legs" do the trip, and Mr. Reed has cut the time of his walk to the bus station even further.

We understand the two sexes are to be segregated (you heard!) to avoid loiterers with intent slowing down the party. Another factor which seems likely to cause trouble is the 18 taverns dotted along the route. (Some walkers have no intention of getting past the first.

Keep reading this periodical for further reports on the practice walks. L.

Lyke Wake Walk - Staff Survey the first 10 Miles.

During Half Term five members of Staff went to Scarth Nick, Osmotherley, to survey the first 10 Miles of the Lyke Wake Walk. Mrs.Kay drove them as far as Osmotherley village from whence they walked the two miles up Scarth Nick to the starting point. Rumours that Mr.Lucas was already suffering from exhaustion when the starting point was reached are just not true. Before continuing from Scarth Nick, Mr.Pay, self-appointed chief dirger, recited the first verse of the Cleveland Lyke Wake Dirge in appropriate rural dialect:-

"This yah neet, this yah neet,
Ivvery neet an' all,
Fire and Fleet an' cannie leet,
An' Christ tak up thy saul"

(He threatens to recire all 10 verses before the start of the final assault in the summer).

Before the party had walked 100 yards a heated arguement took place as to whether they were on the right route - in the end they found out that they were not, and a two mile detour had to be made and at least an hour had been wasted. The member of the party in the Geography Department claimed that it was not his map reading that was at fault, but poor instructions in the Lyke Wake Walk Book. Anyway, once on the correct route the party made good headway helped on their way by a powerful wind. So strong was the wind, in fact, that Mr.Reed nearly got himself blown over the edge of the scarp slope at Cringle Fell, Hast Bank just North of Chop Gate was reached about half an hour late but Mrs. Kay was still patiently waiting. None of the Staff was much the worse for wear, but how many could have done another 30 miles is a different question. One useful tip, however, seems to be 'Watch Mr.Reed for a likely leader of the fast party'.

Footnote: When Mr.Mason was told that two girls were walking in to school from their home in Rillington as training, he said, "Well, I have been walking into school twice every day for the last three years". (Which is more than can be said of Mr.Pay).

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Maureen

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Under 15 Basketball

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M.G.S. 44 Driffield 36

Even without skipper Goforth the Junior Basketball side recorded the fifth victory of the season on Monday night when they defeated Driffield by 44 - 36. In the first quarter things went well for the home side and they led by 12 -4 (Saltmer was in great form and scored 8 of these). In the second quarter Malton drew further ahead and led by 26 - 14 at half-time. In the third quarter their superiority was maintained and at three quarter time led 38 - 22. A great fight back by Driffield in the final period reduced their arrears and they only trailed by 8 points at the final whistle. Sunley, Saltmer and Featherstone each scored 12 points and with the only free throws of the match Captain Hartley sank both his throws.

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M. G. S. Supporters Club.

This Saturday, March 4th at Home -

M. G. S. v Harrogate High School.

This Thursday, March 2nd at Home -

M. G. S. v Norton C.M.

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As Others See Us.....

A week ago I was approached by a certain redhead (who shall remain nameless), and asked, or rather told, to write a short essay on my opinions of the school. This had to be honest, but funny! This task is, I think, rather difficult. It is said that beauty is in the eye of the beholder, and I feel that humour is in the heart of the reader. However; this then is compulsory work, not voluntary, and as I do not profess to be a literary genius, I hope I shall be forgiven for any contravention of Mr.Wellard's basic rules of grammar.

In College, just prior to any school practice there is a great deal of discussion concerning which school one wants or doesn't want. There are, in the minds of the students, good schools and bad ones.

The good schools are allocated to the better students and the weakest students so that the former have a chance of a top grade and the latter a better chance of passing. Malton Grammar is considered a good school by the students (I leave you to draw your own conclusions).

It was a fine December day when I first visited the school to find out what danger lurked around the corner. I was relieved to find that there didn't seem to be any (I hadn't then met the future Upper School Girls' Basketball team). I was asked even at that early stage what my opinion of the school was, so I suspect that an inbred pride exists in the school (perhaps).

I was greeted on the first morning of my practice by a member of the 6th Form Boys. His question of "Oh, are you one of the S.John's lot?" made me wonder what lay in store during the next 5 weeks.

However, my fears were unfounded, and a more enjoyable school practice would have been very difficult to find.

I feel at this stage I must compliment everybody in the school on their general all-round helpfullness in making the stay with you so pleasant, (especially the girls who provided a needle and cotton in a time of desperate need).

On reading back through this account I seem to have wandered away from the main theme somewhat. Let it suffice to say, that when I return to College my opinion of this school will, I am sure, rank just as highly as that of all the previous students.

In concluding, may I wish all the Upper School the best of luck in their forthcoming G.C.E. Examinations, (the Girl's Basketball team), and the rest of the school all the best for the future.

I. Chadderton.
S.John's College.

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Gale Force Ate

The sluice gates are opened and the raging river pours forth. The waters subside with a gurgle (someone's pulled the plug out). Nature seems to be holding its breath as if waiting for something. The rumbling in the dar distance grows louder announcing the approach of the storm, which grows in strength whirling debris into every corner of the earth. There is a lull a wailing and a gnashing of teeth. But the tempest revives with even more fury. The voice of thunder is hardly perceptible above the tumult.

The storm clears, the gale dies down the swollen river moves swiftly on its way, as we all file out of dinner.

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Prediction Spot

Lincolnshire will win the Gilette Cup this year.

Suggestions - ?! *?! £

(Correspondence from Suggestion Box)

More pay for coalminers!

We think the school should be banned!!! If this is not possible, school uniform should be banned, or at least modernized.

(Obviously from 2B)

I suggest that the suggestion box should be used in a respectable manner, and not abused by people, such as me, who only put suggestions in the said box to waste other people's time!

Bug the Staff-room.
(that has great possibilities)

Dear Surs, (shes)
We must complain about the authorization of the Senior School to have the power to make us turn out our pockets in search for "laggy Bands". If any laggies are found, they are immediately removed. Yours Fantastically,
The Junior School.

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The paper that gives backward views on forward ideas.

WHY ARE WE SUCH SHEEP?

It is common knowledge that in this school, over the past four or five years, (I personally cannot go further back than this) more and more people have taken to smoking. Alas, it is not now only the senior members of the school who gather in the toilets for a quick smoke, but also members of the junior school. I think this casts a very bad light on the school and something should be done to prevent this kind of behaviour, not only amongst younger pupils, but also among the seniors. They should know better than to smoke in school, where juniors see them, and, thinking it is clever to smoke and act as if they were a few years older, follow their example.

Before any pupil decides to smoke, whether in school, or elsewhere, he should ask himself two questions - First, "Am I being fair to myself in starting a habit which might be both dangerous and hard to suppress later on in life?" The second question is perhaps the more important - "Am I being fair to other people, who may be younger than I am and who respect me and wish to follow my example?" If the answer to both these questions is "Yes" then he cannot have a very high sense of responsibility. Yet the number of pupils who do start smoking seems yearly to be increasing.

I have heard two suggestions as to how to remedy this outbreak. The first, and the most obvious, is to impose heavier punishment on pupils who smoke in school. The second idea which I have heard suggested would be to have a "Smoking Room" in the school where senior members of the school only are allowed to smoke. I personally do not think this is a good idea and I prefer the first, because I believe something must be done to prevent junior pupils from smoking by removing the temptation to smoke. Notices in the school about the dangers to health, which smoking increases, would also be useful, I think, in this cause. Have you though clearly and carefully about the harm you are causing when you smoke? If not, I advise you to THINK NOW.

P.F.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

That bloke (Can't remember his name - sorry.) sure had something when he wrote "The Declaration of the Rights of Man". As a sequel to this we now publish our long awaited (very) synopsis of The Greatly needed Rights of Pupils. We demand:

1. Payment for pupils (minimum £3 per week).
2. Aid to homework allowance (i.e. fags, coffee, food).
3. Less homework, so that there is more time to enjoy the "Aids to Homework" allowance.
4. A twenty hour week.
5. Entertainment to fill up the ten hours in which we would then not be working.
6. Waterproof masks and gowns made available in all form-rooms for the benefit of pupils who suffer from teachers who "spray it and don't say it".
7. Ban on teachers who will insist on giving detailed lectures on multicellular parasites just before lunch.
8. A ban on teachers who will insist on sitting on a hot radiator all through a lesson, and then exclaiming (preceeded by a "clap" of thunder and a gale force "puff" of wind) "I'm hot" and proceeding to open all the windows, with the result that everybody else in the room is even colder than if our notorious heating system had broken down - AGAIN.
9. Either (a) A new heating system (i.e. hot water bottles all round), or (b) that de-frosting devices should be made readily available at all times.
10. No more bans! But please, couldn't somebody arrange a course in spelling for those of us who find difficulty in spelling certain words often used in simple sentances. We would all like to loose this characteristic.

Hopefully awaiting results, Yours, M.M. and H.L.

P.S. Absence (reputedly) makes the heart frow fonder - or does it, we (or should we say one of us) often wonder!