

Sixties Night – 6 April

Our annual Easter concert this year took its inspiration from the 1960's, with all the music selected from this decade. Seven dance groups, our orchestra, two choirs, a jazz band, electric band "Raith", a string quartet and fashion models all add up to over a hundred students involved in this entertaining and enjoyable event. Performing to a sell out audience, (apologies to those who could not get a ticket), the students were excellent, even when our dancers were let down temporarily by the sound system. Money raised from ticket sales will be going towards purchase of a new PA system for our hall. Well done everyone involved.

There is already talk of there being a Seventies Night next year – in the light of the popularity of this year's event, we may plan for a two night show. Watch for tickets going on sale!

Ski Trip 2001

Jessica Alcena, a Year 12 student, gives us a brief report:

"On Saturday 11 March 30 students accompanied by 3 members of staff and 6 brave (if misguided) adult volunteers set off on the annual ski-trip, this year to Passo del Tonale in the Italian Dolomites. We stayed in a 3 star hotel which, fortunately for the older members of the group, was conveniently situated at the bottom of the ski slopes.

Our days consisted of skiing with qualified instructors in the morning and adults in the afternoon. Evenings included discos and quizzes.

The worst part of the trip was having to get up at 6 a.m. to return to a wet Gatwick airport on our way home."

Bookings are now being organised for next March - students should see Mr Horsman if interested.

Science Debating Competition

A group of eight young scientists from Year 11 spent many lunchtimes preparing for a debating competition as part National Science Week. On 16 March Jo Savage, Leila Newton and Lizzie Stallybrass went to the Guildhall in York, to put their argument for an increased reliance on organic agriculture for the UK. The audience vote put our team in equal first place, but we lost on the casting vote of the MAFF chairman. Well done to all who took part in this event.

Dance expert visit

World Line Dancing champion Rachael McEnaney visited school on a number of days during March to work with students across the age range. A superb dancer with "stunning good looks", she seemed particularly popular with the Year 11 boys! Rachael has recently returned from Singapore and Ibiza, which together with her appearances in Holland and her world championship win in Nashville make her a well travelled exponent of her art. Our thanks go to her, and Paul and Charlie who accompanied her and gave additional help.

Summer Evening Art Exhibition
Thursday 24 May 2001
7.00 - 9.00 pm

All the final personal exhibitions of students in Year 11, 12 and 13 will be on view, as well as work from other years.

We hope for a pleasant summer evening when guests can stroll around the exhibits, listen to music, talk to staff and students, have a drink or two, and enjoy the talent on show.

School Achievement Award

Malton School was one of a select few secondary schools in North Yorkshire to receive one of these new awards, announced by the Department for Education and Employment last month - recognising improvement in performance in recent years. The award amounts to just over £15000 and is to be paid as a bonus to staff for significant progress in recent years. Head David Roberts commented: "The staff at Malton School work very hard with students - this award gives some deserved recognition of their efforts."

World Book Day

Thursday 1 March was World Book Day - now an established annual event when all school students in the country are given a £1 book token and encouraged to buy and read books. We celebrated the day in school with White Rose books (Malton) holding a book fair in our library, offering a selection of books priced from £1 upwards. There was an excellent response in school.

To our surprise a book recommended by the World Book Day organisers, *Shop Dead* by Kate Cann, was in our view inappropriate for children at the lower age range of our school. We have written to the organisers to express our concern. Thank you to parents who brought this to our attention.

Quiz Night

Fifty parents, students and friends faced the challenge of the team quiz night with the three winning teams receiving seasonal gifts and all students housepoints. Answers to the questions posed in the last Newsletter are:

- Which batsman holds the record for the highest test average of all time? *D Bradman*
- Which three planets can be seen now in the evening sky? *Venus, Jupiter and Saturn*
- Which part of the human body is also a punctuation mark? *Colon.*

Garden Night

A full house of 50 kindred spirits gathered in the School Library on 27 March, and by all accounts enjoyed an illustrated talk by Deputy Head Mr Fearnley on the development of his garden over the last 14 years.

For those of you who missed it, Mr Fearnley is offering a repeat performance on

Thursday 17 May 2001.

Gardener's Evening 2

A Garden In Thornton Dale
An Illustrated Talk
Thursday 17 May at 7.30 pm
In the School Library

If you are tired of the two-day quick fix programmes on television where everything is redesigned and sorted against the clock, you may be interested in this informal talk to be given by Deputy Head Mr Fearnley on the progress of his garden over the last 13 years. Plants, pergolas, ponds, paving, sheds, walls, hedges and topiary are all on the agenda, with over 200 slides to illustrate the changes over the years. Mr Fearnley's garden has opened for charity for a number of years.

Tickets £2.50 from the school office.

All proceeds to school funds

Youth Speaks

Year 8 students Kimberley Thornley, Michael Brown and Sophie Jackson represented the School at a public speaking competition

organised by the Rotary Club and hosted by Lady Lumleys School. Each team had a Chairman, Speaker and Proposer of Thanks, and they had to give a timed speech (5 minutes exactly) on a subject of their choosing. We didn't win, but the team were congratulated for giving an interesting and entertaining speech and each student received a book prize.

Thanks to our York University student English teacher, Miss Eleanor Shelton, for coaching our students for the competition.

Post-18 Information Evening

**Wednesday 2 May 2001, 7.30pm
West Wing Hall**

Students in Year 12 and their parents are invited to attend this talk given by Mr Ewing, outlining procedures for university application, "gap year" and employment. The financial demands of a university course will be outlined along with information on student loans. A guide book will be issued to help parents and students through the next two years. Please ensure reply slips indicating your interest in attending are returned in advance to form tutors.

Head Boy and Head Girl

After many years absence, we have decided to reintroduce these positions of responsibility. Nominations have been invited for students in Year 10 for a Head Boy, Head Girl and two deputies: their term of office will run until the end of April 2002. Students will be expected to attend at least one Governors meeting, one staff meeting and one Senior management meeting each year, as well as meeting with the Head and Deputy Head each half term. They will also represent the School at school events.

We hope the positions will give those chosen an insight into management and decision making, and further improve communication systems within the school.

Were you a Head Boy or Head Girl in years gone by?

If so, please get in touch with Mr Fearnley. We would like to trace as many as possible, find out what their responsibilities were, how they were chosen, and what they are doing today.

Artist in Residence

Our Art students were giving a boost by the week-long visit of our artist in residence, Vicky Wray, from 19 - 24 March. Her work on transferring computer images onto canvas was a real inspiration to upper school students, as were her experiments with handmade paper in the lower school. A big thank you to Vicky for her time and interest.

Examples of all this work can be seen at our summer Art exhibition -

Maths Challenge Results

Congratulations to students in Years 9, 10 and 11 on their recent success in the national Maths challenge. Hannah Bramhall (Y10) received Best in School and a Gold Certificate; **Silver certificates went to:** Ian Clarke (Y10), Anita Cooper (Y10), Michael Chapman (Y11), Leila Newton (Y11), Lorna Vasey (Y9), Abigail Clark (Y11) and Lizzie Stallybrass (Y11). **Bronze was achieved by:** Matthew Bulmer, Alan Goforth, Natalie Miller, Tristan Lee, Craig Newcombe, Adam Turner, Claire White (all Y11); Jessica Leonard, Jonathan Monkman, Owen Williams, Jennifer Dickinson (all Y10), William Hinchliffe, Kelly Fraser, James Gavigan, Stephen Brown, Richard Jay and Thomas Paley (all Y9).

Maltonians News

Simon Crozier organised a reunion of schoolfriends from the late sixties and early seventies at the school towards the end of March. The group visited the School, and we were delighted to receive a presentation from them of a signed copy of a new Encyclopaedia to add to our library.

The annual reunion of former pupils took place at The Green Man on 24 April, as always organised by Colin Gaden.

SPORTS RESULTS

Firstly we send our congratulations to Malton and Norton Rugby Union Club for their success in winning the Tetley Bitter Vase at Twickenham on Saturday 21 April. The team were led to their convincing 36 - 20 victory by captain Chris Creber, who teaches Games at Malton School. Our Head of PE Liam Harvey also played in the team, as did some of our former pupils.

Good luck to the team for their last three matches.

House Sports Spring Term 2001

	Air	Earth	Fire	Water
	(Gold)	(Green)	(Red)	(Blue)
Junior Competition				
Football	1st	2nd	4th	3rd
Rugby	3rd	2nd	1st	4th
Hockey	3rd	2nd	4th	1st
Netball	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Senior Competition				
Football	1st	4th	2nd	3rd
Rugby	2nd	1st	-	3rd
Hockey	4th	2nd=	1st	2nd=
Netball	3rd	4th	1st	2nd
POINTS	220	210	190	180

Inter school competition has been severely curtailed as a result of a local school sports

association ban on teams travelling, with due regard to the foot and mouth restrictions.

Year 11 Football

Ryedale 5 Malton 3

Year 9 Rugby

Malton 19 Caedmon 12

Year 8 Rugby

Malton finished joint last

Played Lady Lumleys, Market Weighton, Norton, Wolverton

District Hockey (U16)

Congratulations to Claire White who was selected to play U16 District Hockey.

U15 K'out Netball Cup

Malton 13 Filey 11

Year 7 Netball

Malton 'A' 4 Caedmon 'A' 5

Malton 'A' 3 Caedmon 'B' 4

Malton 'B' 0 Caedmon 'A' 4

Malton 'B' 1 Caedmon 'B' 2

Forthcoming Events

SUMMER TERM 2001

April

M 23 Summer Term begins (Week 1)
Y12 examinations (7 days)

May

T 01 Y12 to NYCC Careers & Higher Education Forum
W 02 Post-18 Information Evening
M 07 Bank Holiday
T 08 Y9 SATs + examinations begin
W 09 Y12 Visit to Open Day Newcastle University and University of Northumbria
F 11 University of Northumbria
Th 17 Y7 and Y8 examinations begin
M 21 Y11 Study leave begins
T 22 GCE modular examinations begin
F 25 End of Half-Term

June

M 04 Summer Term continues (Week 2)
Y10 examinations begin
M 18 Y10 Work Experience begins (2 weeks)
Y7 camping week
M 25 PTA Bingo, Milton Rooms
T 26 GCSE Science Module (Y10)
Th 28 School closed to pupils (Staff Training)
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July

03 Y12 visit - University of Sheffield
Th 05 Open Evening
Y12 Challenge of Industry conference
F 06 Y12 Challenge of Industry conference
Y12 Reports issued
Su 08 PTA Car Boot Sale
W 11 Sports Day
Th 12 Senior House Matches
F 13 Y7, 8, 9, 10 Reports issued
M 16 Junior House Matches
T 17 Tennis Tournament (2 days)
Th 19 Activities Day
F 20 End of term

August

Th 16 GCE A and AS results
Th 23 GCSE results