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# MALTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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### Head Boy and Girl 2005-6

With Year 11 departing, we said farewell to our current Head Boy and Girl and deputies, which meant it was time to elect four new officials for the coming year. Fourteen students from Year 10 were nominated by their classmates. An election was held in which staff and Year 10 students voted, using a transferable vote system.

The winners were:

Head Boy	<b>Kristian Wilkinson</b>
Head Girl	<b>Emma Marsden</b>
Deputy	<b>Bart Stratfold</b>
Deputy	<b>Kayleigh Cooke</b>

In third place were **Joshua Clarke** and **Rosie Spencer**. Runners up were **Tom Croft**, **Stephen Mills**, **Thomas Wilkinson**, **Anna Bulmer**, **Stephanie Gill**, **Katie Gould**, **Rosalyn Lievesley** and **Danielle Wood**. Thanks to all who took part in the elections.

Thanks also to retiring Head Boy and Girl **Ross Harrison** and **Sally Fothergill**, and their deputies **Olivia Buckland** and **Jack Davies** for their excellent work during the year.

### Uk Maths Team Challenge

It was a real privilege to accompany **James Baker**, **Simon Gaskell**, **Amos Abrahams** and **Tommy Leach** when they participated in the UK Maths Team Challenge that took place on 26<sup>th</sup> April at the Mount School in York. 26 schools took part in the event that involved each competing in different competitions throughout the day. It was a lot of fun and there was a great atmosphere as each team tried their best to get top results!

Malton School were narrowly beaten into 4<sup>th</sup> place which meant leaving without a coveted 'red t-shirt'. However, they did receive a

certificate to commemorate their participation in the competition.

It was an excellent day and it was so good to see so many young people competing enthusiastically and with such good humour. Well done to all four boys – they did really well and were a credit to Malton School.

*CJ Peters*

### General Election

The recent general election not only caused a stir in the country, it led to a fair amount of debate and electioneering at Malton School. With candidates standing for election for various different parties, the result at Malton School did not reflect the overall result in the country. However, I was really pleased to be elected on behalf of the Conservative party with a majority of 53 votes.

I would like to thank everyone who voted for me – special thanks going to Daniel Pratt, my agent and spin doctor, and to William Smith and Oliver Beal, as all three of them played a huge role in my manifesto and subsequent victory. It was a great experience, although I am not sure it has whetted my appetite for politics in the future. If I was to continue, I'm sure that our new local Scarborough MP Robert Goodwill might give me a few tips.

*Matthew Stubbings, Y9*

### Open Evening

Please come and look round the school.  
Bring the family and friends.

19.00 – 21.00

**Thursday, 7 July 2005**

18.30 Information Meeting for Year 6 parents  
+ students

19.30 Meeting for Year 5 parents + students

- both in the East Wing

## Annual Art Exhibition

**Thursday 30 June 2005 at 7.00pm**

Our annual exhibition of artwork is a chance to view the work of all A level and GCSE art students, and to find out who is the winner of the Emma Howard Memorial Prize for this year.

We hope for a pleasant summer evening when guests can stroll around the wide variety of exhibits, talk to staff and students and enjoy the talent on show. There is no charge for admission and there will be a licensed bar available on the night.

## Michelin-Star Chef Inspires Local School Students

On Monday 16 May, Michelin-star chef, Andrew Pern of the Star Inn at Harome, helped Ryedale students prepare a four-course dinner for dignitaries and local school representatives as part of the Ryedale Food Festival.

Seventeen students from four schools, aged 15-17, joined Andrew and his wife, Jacquie, in preparing for the event. These included three A level Home Economics students from Malton School – Caroline Bell, Ellen Brook and Elizabeth Wright.

The students all worked in the kitchen - Elizabeth helping to prepare the main course of *Braised Daube of Pork with Purple Sage Risotte, Black Pudding Bundle with Gooseberry Juices* – whilst Caroline and Ellen worked with the pastry chefs to prepare *Sinnington Strawberry 'Eton mess' with Vanilla Shortbread*.

The event had been organised with the support of NYBEP and Food Technology teachers from the local schools. Sue Leach, Head of Food Technology at Malton commented, “this was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and one that will not be forgotten for a very long time”.

*S Leach*

## Salter's Chemistry Festival

Four Y8 pupils went to the Salter's Chemistry Festival. They were **Flo Spaven, Ellie Blakeman, Matt Wilson** and **Jack Stockdale**.

The first experiment of the day involved us working in pairs in the well-equipped laboratories. Our task was to examine unknown substances to find out what metals they contained. We did this by burning metals and the samples, and comparing the colour of the flame.

The experiment in the afternoon was the university challenge, it was all about separating different substances and seeing how much phosphate was in each one. We worked better as a team in this challenge and because of this we felt we got better results. Unfortunately, we did not win though we deserved to.

After the main two parts of the competition we were all rounded up and crammed into the lecture hall for a presentation called “periodic odyssey”. As dull as the title sounds, it was rather good because mainly it was about blowing up balloons full of different gases, making mini Hindenburg disasters and making chocolate biscuits explode.

*C Taylor*

## Way to Work Celebration Evening

A celebration evening took place on Wednesday, 18 May for Year 11 students who have successfully completed the Way to Work course. The students have had an excellent opportunity to spend one day each week in a placement with a local employer. As a result, some of the students have gained a modern apprenticeship or the offer of a place on a vocational college course.

Two students in particular made outstanding progress. **Jamie Lee Southon** (hairdressing with Streeks Salon) and **Simon Braban** (motor mechanic with Perry's Coaches) were chosen as Students of the Year in recognition of their outstanding achievements.

*J Wilford*

## **Sixth Formers' Leaving do at the Feathers Hotel, Helmsley**

In our opinion, the Year 13 'Prom' was a great success. Everyone enjoyed the night which started with a lovely three-course meal and then continued with dancing until the early hours of the morning. Everyone dressed up for the occasion which added to the wonderful atmosphere and the whole evening was a most memorable occasion. The staff seemed to enjoy themselves and took part in 'Hit the donkey' when their names were randomly pulled out of the hat!

Special thanks go to Lara Jeans and Sophie Gilderdale for organising the evening and to all involved in making it such a successful event.

*CJ Peters*

## **Year 11 Prom**

The end of an era was marked in the now customary grand style by staff and students in the final week before the half term break. On the Wednesday evening, Year 11 students celebrated the end of their normal school days by organising a disco in the school hall. They really dressed to impress, and a number even arrived in chauffeur driven limousines and a vintage car. The staff who supervised all thought that the evening was a great success: behaviour was impeccable, and it was a genuine treat to be involved with this group of young people on the night. Particular thanks to **Ross, Sally, Jack and Olivia** for organising the event.

The following day, Thursday 26 May, was their final school day. A special programme included an extended assembly, a reception at morning break, then a souvenir photo session at lunchtime followed by a free lunch provided by the school. At the end of the day students received their "progress files" - records of their achievements in school - and were entertained by some comedy routines, a slide show of their prom, and finally a song from two musicians, **Sally Fothergill** and **Sam Gilderdale**. There were more than a few tears shed as students left at the end of a very enjoyable and memorable day. It was wonderful to see the good spirit

amongst these young people. They were credit to themselves and to the School throughout the day. We wish them well with their exams.

## **Healthy Eating**

During the current school year various changes have been made to the lunch-time dining provision. These have the aim of improving the quality of students' eating. Drinks in cans, crisps and salt have been removed. Theme days, more salads and fruit salads have been introduced along with chilled tap water. Chips are now served on only three days per week. Further developments are being planned for the next school year.

Mrs Webster, our school cook, is working with County representatives and the SNAC group of governors, students and staff to continue to improve the quality of the lunch-time service

## **Sports News**

### **Youth Games Gymnastics**

On Sunday 8 May, five pupils from Norton College joined Malton pupils Annie Bentley, Yasmin Brown, Charlotte Green, Ester Quinn and Charlotte Stevens as a Ryedale team for the Team Gymnastics in the Youth Games. There were three other teams competing: Harrogate, Selby and York. Everyone did really well on the day.

At the end of the day, a presentation was made with York coming 4<sup>th</sup>, Selby 3<sup>rd</sup>, Harrogate 2<sup>nd</sup> and Ryedale 1<sup>st</sup>. Well done to all the team!

*Charlotte Stevens, Y7*

## **Voluntary Speed Limit**

A reminder to all drivers of our voluntary speed limit along Middlecave Road and Drive.

**Please keep below 20 mph**

Yes it does feel slow, but it may save a serious accident or even someone's life.

Thank you.

## Tell us what you think!

Last year, Governors mixed with parents at the Open Evening and sought their views about the school. The findings of this survey were discussed in detail at ensuing Governors' meetings, and have led to a number of changes, including initiatives to improve the healthiness of school meals.

The Governors will be back again at the Open Evening in July, and once again want to know:

- What you particularly like about this school – what you see as its main strengths
- If there is anything you are not so happy about – what you would like to see changed or improved

If you are not able to come to the Open Evening, but would like your views to be included in the survey, please email Philippa Hare (Parent Governor) at [phillyhare@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:phillyhare@tiscali.co.uk), or write to her via the school.

## Student Contact Information

In an effort to keep home/contact information as accurate as possible, we are implementing a new system for any change of information (address, telephone contact numbers etc.).

Please would parents/carers ensure that any changes that need to be made are forwarded to either the East or West Wing office in writing signed by yourselves - please do not ask for changes to be made over the telephone. In the past we have accepted verbal changes from students but on rare occasions this information has not been correct. We hope this will not cause any inconvenience but there are instances when contact information is needed urgently and it is vital that there are no errors. We are sure you will understand our need to make this change and ask that you do support us in our request.

## STAFF NEWS

We welcome two new members of staff - **Kate Cooke** and **Alistair Gray** who have been appointed as Learning Supervisors.

## GEORGE HANSON

We were sorry to hear of the death of former Headmaster George Hanson in the week before the half term holiday. Mr Hanson was the only Headmaster of Malton County Modern School during its brief existence, from 1959 to 1971. George Hanson was born in Royston, West Yorkshire, and educated at Holgate Grammar School Barnsley - named after the Archbishop who is responsible for the foundation of the first Malton Grammar School.

His daughter Elizabeth wrote to us in 2002: "My father enjoyed his years in Malton. He always tried to encourage pupils to aspire to achieve their ambitions. He came to lead a new school which was formed from many separate elements and he quickly fused them into a new body, which served the pupils of Malton and district for thirteen years."

Further details of Mr Hanson's life and work can be found at [www.maltonschool.org](http://www.maltonschool.org) in the Maltonians' section.

## Open Evening

A reminder to all parents that on **Thursday 7 July**, teaching will finish at 2.35 pm and students who are able to walk home can leave at that time. Buses will leave at normal time.

## SUMMER TERM 2005

### June

M	06	09.00	Summer Term continues (Wk 1)
M	14		Y12 start A2 courses
M	13		Y13 A2 written examinations begin
M	20		Y10 Work Experience begins (2 weeks)
T	28		Y10 GCSE Science module
Th	30		School closed to pupils (Staff Training) (Malton Show)

### July

Th	07	19.00	Open Evening
T	12		Y7 Reports issued
W	13		Sports Day
Th	14		Y10 Reports issued
F	15		Y8 Reports issued
M	18		Tennis Tournament finals
T	19		Junior House Matches
W	20		Senior House Matches
Th	21		Citizenship Day (Activities)
F	22	15.35	End of term

### August

Th	18		GCE A and AS results
Th	25		GCSE results

## AUTUMN TERM 2005

### September

M	05		Staff day
T	06	09:00	Autumn Term commences (Wk 1) Y7 and Y13 start school Y12 mid-morning registration
W	07	09:00	Y8 , Y9, Y10 & Y11 start school Y12 Residential Course at East Barnby
M	12	09:00	Y12 timetable commences

## DATES OF TERMS 2005-2006

<u>First Day</u>	<u>Last Day</u>	<u>Day Closures</u>
T 06/09	F 21/10	M 05/09
M 31/10	T 20/12	F 25/11
W 04/01	F 17/02	T 03/01
M 27/02	F 07/04	
M 24/04	F 26/05	M 01/05
M 05/06	F 21/07	(Malton Show day)

### **Please note:**

One further day closure in 2005-2006 has not yet been fixed.

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[www.maltonschool.org](http://www.maltonschool.org)