

## READATHON

Last term Lower School students took part in a sponsored read to raise money for the Roald Dahl Foundation and the Sargent Cancer Care for Children. This month we have sent a cheque for £308.00. Mrs Howell, the organiser, would like to thank all those who supported this event.

## FOCUS ON READING BOOKS

- The school has been awarded a grant for £1000 to be spent on reading books, as part of a Government scheme to boost reading amongst children in this, the National Year of Reading. This welcome addition to funds will further enhance our increase in library stock, with over 800 books now bought in the last year.
- Students have been cataloguing library books into a database as part of their Information Technology lessons, in preparation for the introduction of electronic book issue in the school library.
- The high quality of our library does depend on thoughtful use by students. Occasionally users are negligent or slow in returning books, and unnecessary time is spent chasing them to return their loans. We would be grateful if all parents could check that there are no overdue books on bedroom shelves at home, and arrange for their return if any are found.
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## RYEDALE COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY ACTION

Malton School has developed a very successful voluntary work scheme for sixth form students, in partnership with Ryedale Volunteer Bureau and many local organisations. The benefits for the students are enormous. They can now build on a good academic education and work experience by adding voluntary work to their timetable.

Placements are wide ranging and include working with children, the elderly, those with special needs, animals, and administration.

Head of Sixth Form, **Mr David Ewing**, comments:

“Students meet and mix with others in the community and all comment on how much they have gained from the opportunity. Most have grown in confidence and many have acquired new skills. All enjoy their placements and feel that they now appreciate the needs of others in society. The scheme has been very successful with over half the sixth form participating.”

**Jackie Aldis** from Ryedale Volunteer Bureau comments:

“It has been very satisfying to have such a positive response from the students at the school. I have been extremely impressed with the commitment, maturity and enthusiasm that the youngsters have shown. If people can be given a positive experience of volunteering whilst they are young then they will, in all probability, continue on and off for the rest of their lives, making a real difference to themselves and their communities.”

## SPRING CONCERT

The School Orchestra, Junior Wind Ensemble, and the Junior and Senior Choirs will be giving a concert in the school hall on **Thursday 2 April**.

School musicians will be joined this year by the Scarborough Area Youth Symphony Orchestra (SAYSO), who will be making their first public appearance in Malton.

The cost of tickets will be £1.50, and 50p for concessions, available from the school office.

## MATHEMATICS SUCCESS

Every year the school enters a number of students for the national UK Mathematics Challenge, at both Junior and Senior levels. This year 9 achieved Bronze awards, 1 Silver and 2 Gold at Senior level (Junior level results still awaited).

Chris Jefferson, a Sixth Form student studying Business Studies, Physics, Maths and Further Maths at A-level, achieved success at the highest level gaining entry to the British Mathematics Olympiad, putting him in the top 100 in the country.

This welcome news follows on Chris's acceptance by Cambridge University (Girton College) to read Mathematics.

Gold awards: *Chris Jefferson, Paul Andrews*; Silver: *Edward Rayne*; Bronze: *Mark Arundale, James Atherton, Chris Campbell, Wayne Grainger, William Lund, John Parnaby, Chris Roberts, Michael Rummel, Daniel Wiggle*.

## MALTON SHOW

**Thursday, 2 July** is Malton Show day. The School will, therefore, be closed to pupils on this day but will open as normal on **Thursday, 25 June**.

## CHILDLINE PARTNERSHIP

To coincide with the national launch of **Childline in Partnership with Schools** in February, we have introduced a lunchtime project aimed at encouraging children to support and help each other. For further information please contact Mrs Green, Head of Lower School.

For information about Childline nationally, please contact Natasha Finlayson in the Childline press office on 0171 239 1041, or Maggie Turner, on 0171 239 1055.

## MALTON SCHOOL PTA

*A lot of hard work for a poor turn out!*

### VALENTINE DANCE

Saturday, 14 February 1998

*Decoration was wonderful,  
Food excellent, Band Fantastic*

**But where were you?**

Please come to our **Quiz Night** on

**Wednesday, 25 March 1998**

**19:30 West Wing Hall**

Money raised to help all Malton School pupils

Come on parents and staff

**"GIVE US YOUR SUPPORT"**

## CALENDAR

### March

M	02	GCE modular examinations begin
W	04	GCSE Science Module
	18.30	Y9 Parents' Meeting with Subject Teachers
Th	05	GCSE Art practical tests
F	06	GCSE Art practical tests
		Y8 Assessments to Parents
		Y13 Reports issued
M	09	Ski trip (all week)
T	17	Junior House Matches
W	18	Senior House Matches
M	23	Y12 Assessments to Parents
W	25	PTA Quiz, West Wing Hall
Th	26	18.30 Y8 Parents' Meeting with Subject Teachers
F	27	Y11 Records of Achievement issued

### April

Th 02 Spring Concert, West Wing Hall

F 03 15.50 End of term

## **SUMMER TERM 1998**

### **April**

M 20 09.00 Summer Term begins (Week 1)

Th 18 19.30 Y12 Post-18 Information Meeting

### **May**

M 04 Bank Holiday - School closed

T 05 Y9 SATs + examinations begin

M 18 09.00 Y12 examinations (leave of absence to 22/05)

W 20 GCE modular examinations begin

F 22 15.50 End of Half-Term