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# MALTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## The March Floods

No one will need reminding of the calamitous events early last month, but they should be recorded in this newsletter, as they have been in most newspapers and news broadcasts in the country and around the world.

Two days schooling were lost as the school was used as an Emergency Rest Centre. Phone calls from Ryedale District Council regarding the possibility of closure began about 6.00 pm on the Sunday evening, and it was confirmed by 10.30 that all schools in the two towns would close. The school did remain open to A level students who were sitting module exams on the Monday and Tuesday, and thankfully everyone managed to get in for a delayed start, though wading was necessary in some cases!

We would like to thank Radio York for its prompt, clear and frequent messages regarding the school closure and arrangements for exams. The television bulletins were somewhat less clear. We do ask that parents tune in to Radio York when there are exceptional events or weather conditions - we always contact them regarding emergency closures, and they always broadcast on our behalf.

School Secretary Jennie Capstick and school caterers Wendy Hardy and Ann Gordon, who worked with Social Services and the WRVS in the Emergency Rest Centre operation at the school, were invited to meet Prince Andrew during his visit to Malton on Monday 19 March.

Our sympathy goes to all families and businesses who have suffered damage and distress as a result of the floods.

## Norwegian Visitors

A group of 41 students and 6 staff from a school in Trondheim, Norway, visited Malton School on Wednesday 17 March. Staff and students toured the school in groups with Malton hosts and discussed the differences between their respective experiences of school.

Hayley Brewer, a Sixth Form student, reports: "The students were very friendly and everyone got on really well - we didn't want them to leave. The students were very surprised about the size of the school fields and by the fact that pupils from the ages of eleven to eighteen are all taught in one school. There were students swapping addresses by the end of the visit and lots of thank you's and goodbye's. The visit was a real success on both sides."

This is the second year the school has hosted a Norwegian visit.



## Maths Revision Weekend 12 - 14 March 1999

Final year A-level Mathematics students spent a weekend at North Yorkshire's Outdoor Centre at Danby Fryup. Malton wasn't the only place to flood, with many areas in the Esk Valley suffering earlier in the week - the road collapsed at Little Fryup, the garden centre at Lealholm flooded to the gate, and many tarmac lanes were undermined.

This weekend has been a firm and successful fixture in the school calendar for six years now, a productive and enjoyable mixture of intensive Maths revision and social activity.

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## UK Maths Challenge Success

Sixty seven pupils at Malton School entered the Intermediate level (pupils in Years 9, 10 or 11) of a major national Maths competition in February, and the results were very good:

**1 Gold Award:** Sam Clarke (Year 10).

**9 Silver Awards:** Abigail Clark, Natalie Miller, Adam Turner (Year 9); Chris Joseph, Benjamin Wicks Year 10); Gary Arnold, Katie Aylmer, Ian Pullan, Graeme Ross (Year 11).

**14 Bronze Certificates** were awarded to: Michael Chapman, Pierce Macmahon, Joanna Savage, Lizzie Stallybrass, Thomas Vasey (Year 9); Leah Jackson-Blake, Joanne Green, Amy Pawson, Phillip Slack (Year 10); James Bramhall, Thomas Lund, Andrew Mitchell, Lindsay Murray, Malcolm Pratt (Year 11).

**Abigail Clark** did so well for someone of her age that she was invited to take part in a "European Kangaroo" - a competition which ran in over 20 countries across Europe -on Friday 19 March. Results have not yet been received.

Mrs Della Hayward, who organises the competition in school, said: "The pupils enjoyed the Challenge and have done very well. When I announced the results to my Year 9 group there was a spontaneous round of applause for Abigail from her classmates. I hope she does well in the European competition."

## Congratulations

To Mrs Green on the birth of her baby daughter, **Ellie**, on Friday, 9 April 1999. She weighed in at just under 7lb. Mum and baby both doing well.

## Musical Magic Tuesday 25 March 1999

The annual Easter concert in the final week of term was enjoyed by the audience of parents, relatives and friends of the School. The varied programme included contributions by the school orchestra, the Junior and Senior choirs, a classical string ensemble, a solo by 'cellist Katie Aylmer, a guitar and vocals duo featuring brother and sister David and Lara Betts, and a trio when David and Lara was augmented by Andrew Ballard. The home grown entertainment was boosted by a very polished contribution from SAYSO - Scarborough Area Youth Symphony Orchestra, which is conducted by Malton's music teacher Mr Stewart Thorp, and in which a number of Malton pupils perform.

More than one guest at the evening commented on the positive side of "Youth" represented by the concert performances. In a time when it can be fashionable to criticise and put down "disaffected youth" and talk of juvenile delinquency, it was refreshing to see such enthusiasm for, and commitment to, purposeful and enjoyable activity.

\*The musical activity at school was followed up on 25 March by a visit from Delta Sly, as part of the Pied Piper Project. The group worked with a selection of students aged 14 to 18.

## Year 7 Trips - to York & to St Michael's Church, Malton

All students in Year 7 spent Thursday, 25 March in York, visiting the Minster, the Education Centre and the Merchant Adventurers Hall, on a day trip organised by the History Department.

The same pupils have been visiting St Michael's Church as part of their Religious Studies lessons. Our thanks go to Mrs Thomas, Mr Lawes and Miss Johnston for organising the trips, as well as the other staff accompanying the groups.

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## Maltonians Library and ICT Appeal Update

We are delighted to announce that a total of **£19766** has been raised since our launch evening on 8 February, bringing our total so far for this appeal to £70266. As some donors have given by GiftAid and Covenants, we will be able to reclaim tax and add a further £561 to the total. However, work continues to achieve our target of £102500 for the complete project.

If you have already contributed we are very grateful; if you are still considering, please fill in a pledge form, contact us, send us a cheque, offer help in kind - whatever you feel you can do will be welcome.

In addition to the money noted above, a grant for £2430 has been received from the Department for Education and Employment, for the purchase of reading books. This will help us stock our new shelves.

### Are you still considering making a donation?

A simple gift - cheque or cash - for any amount will be gratefully received.

### We really do need as many people as possible to contribute, and keep the momentum going.

Some people have *covenanted* their donations using our bank forms - which allows us to reclaim tax on their donation, and increase its value by almost 30%.

As an example, a covenant of £5 per month will give £60 in a year, and we can reclaim a further £17 in tax.

We appreciate that people may find covenants a little daunting: they need not be, and we would be happy to send further details, or spend a few minutes explaining them to you if you would like to come in to school or telephone us. (692828)

## A List of Those Pledging Or Giving Their Support To Date

Aquila Books  
Peter Blanchard  
Boulton and Cooper  
Castle View Catering  
Central Ryedale Community Education Service  
Mr and Mrs A G Chapman  
Mr and Mrs C M Coates  
Mr T Davis  
Mr and Mrs K Davison (Governor)  
Mr S Davison (former pupil)  
Fersina Windows, Malton  
Earl Fitzwilliam Charitable Trust  
Mrs P Ginger (former pupil)  
Heinemann Educational Publishers  
Mike Hope, Electrician  
Mrs J Hulme (former pupil)  
Miss P James  
Librex Library Equipment  
County Councillor M Knaggs  
Mr G H Metcalfe  
Malton, Norton & District Lions Club  
Mr & Mrs P Mason (former staff)  
Dennis Mayman, Joiner  
Mr M Milburn (former pupil)  
Norton Video Centre  
John Paley Hire Services  
Mrs V Pay  
Perry's Coaches  
Persimmon Homes  
Pyramid Systems Malton Ltd  
Remote Marine Systems Ltd  
Mr & Mrs D J Roberts (Head)  
Ryedale Seeds  
Ryedale Travel Agency Ltd  
Rounthwaite and Woodhead  
Shepherd Building Group  
Mrs A S Smith (former staff)  
Terrington Stores & PO  
Lt Col D R Tetley  
Thorpe and Co. Solicitors  
Transco Yorkshire  
Mr and Mrs I Turner  
Westler Foods Limited  
Woollons and Harwood  
Sir Marcus Worsley Bart.  
Yorkshire Water

*A number of other contributions have been received, but the donors have asked to remain anonymous.*

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## Art Exhibition In New Studios

The Art Department's move to new rooms, is nearly complete: this is the first stage in the Library and ICT project, allowing the current Art rooms to be re-fitted as a new library. We hope to formally open the new Art studios on **Thursday 27 May 1999** with a wine and cheese evening, when there will be an exhibition of students' art work and an opportunity to inspect the new facilities. A warm welcome is extended to all readers.

## Maltonians Database Project

To date, over 130 responses have been received from former pupils and staff, spread around the world and across the years. Their contributions are stored on a Maltonians Internet site, which includes photographs, memories, staff and pupil lists, and a history of the school. Many responses include delightful letters recalling fond memories of times at the School.

If you are a former pupil and have not filled in a form, please ask for one and join the list!

## Re-unions this term

There is a meeting of mainly pre-1950's former pupils on **Tuesday, 27 April 1999**, at **The Green Man, Malton.**

From **11:30 a.m. - 3.00 p.m.**

Contact **Colin Gaden** on **01937 583221**

There will be a gathering of 1970-75 pupils on **Friday 14 May 1999** at the Bowling Club in Norton.

Details from **Ann Smith** (née Wentworth) on **01653 697932**

*Our apologies are due to some former pupils who may have been charged a postage excess for Newsletter 4: a mix up too complicated to relate here, which we tried to correct but were too late. We hope no offence was caused.*

## First Aid Practice

We have been fortunate to welcome Paul Jackson from North Yorkshire Ambulance Service this term, who has been giving practical First Aid lessons to Year 8 pupils, using "Little Annie" resuscitation dolls to practice mouth-to-mouth and cardiac arrest techniques. It is hoped to extend these practical sessions to other year groups later in the term.

## Internet Site Update

The dramatic and incredible sights around Malton and Norton as the Derwent rose to a record 19 metres were captured by Website manager Graham Magee on the school's digital camera, and can be viewed on the school's website - indeed an article with pictures appeared on Monday 8 March, the first day of major flooding, for the world to see.

The School website continues to expand: in school on our "intranet" (restricted to internal access only) a large digital picture gallery of school life is one of the most popular programs available.

The website has a counter to keep check of how many people visit, and we recorded our 1000<sup>th</sup> visitor this week since the site's launch in October 1998.

## Ski Trip

The annual school ski trip this year saw 56 pupils aged 12-17 travel to Gressoney in Italy for a week in the snow. Conditions were favourable, and thankfully there were no signs of the avalanche problems experienced in some regions.



## Walkmans – a reminder

Pupils in Year 7 - Year 11 may not use Walkmans on the school site.

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## Parent Teacher Association

### NOTICE

#### Special General Meeting

8.30 pm Wednesday 12 May

West Wing (Sixth Form Common Room)

To approve changes to the Constitution as requested by the Charity Commissioners.

#### i) Clause 8

Present wording: "The management of the Association shall be vested in a Committee consisting of the following Officers:- Chairman, Vice Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer together **with five or more members.**"

Proposed amendment: delete "**with five or more members**"

and replace with "**with a minimum of three and up to ten members.**"

#### ii) Clause 8a

"The Vice Chairman shall normally serve for one year and be elected unopposed as Chairman the following year. In the event of the Vice Chairman not accepting the nomination for the office of chairman, or of there being other nominations for this office then an election shall be held."

Proposed: delete whole clause.

### Mobile Phones

Whilst we have no objection in principle to pupils carrying mobile phones, the potential for disruption to teaching is obvious. Parents will be aware that most schools have banned them.

For the time being mobile phones may be brought to school but they **must** be turned off throughout the school day (09:00-16:00) whilst on the school site. Any pupil found to have a phone switched on will be punished and the phone confiscated.

It is hoped that the above arrangements will allow sensible use of the phones by our pupils. The need to keep the phone secure during the day will be obvious.

## Forthcoming events

### Summer Term 1999

#### April

M	12	09.00	Summer Term begins (Week 1)
Th	15	19.30	Y9 Parents' Information Meeting
Th	22	18.30	Y8 Parents' Meeting with Subject Teachers
F	23		School closed to pupils (Staff Training)
Th	29	19.30	Y12 Post-18 Information Meeting

#### May

M	03		Bank Holiday - School closed
T	04		Y9 SATs + examinations begin
M	10		Y9 examinations continue
W	12	20.30	PTA Special General Meeting
S	22	09.00	PTA Car Boot Sale
M	24		GCE modular examinations begin
Th	27	19.00	Art Exhibition; New Art Studios Opening
F	28	15.50	End of Half-Term

#### June

M	07	09.00	Summer Term continues (Week 2) Y10 examinations begin
M	14		Y7 examinations begin
Th	17		Y8 examinations begin
M	21		Y10 Work Experience begins (2 weeks) Y7 camping Y12 examinations begin
T	29		GCSE Science Module Careers & Higher Education Forum

#### July

Th	01		School closed - Staff Day (Malton Show)
Th	08	19.30	Open Evening: Y6 Information Evening
M	12		Junior House Matches
T	13		Senior House Matches
W	14		Sports Day
Th	15		Activities Day (provisional)
F	16		Y7, 8, 9, 10, 12 Reports issued
M	19		Tennis Tournament begins
W	21	15.50	End of term

#### August

Th	19		GCE A-level results
Th	26		GCSE results

### PTA Car Boot Sale

8 am Saturday 22 May 1999  
at Malton School

£5 per car      £7 per van

*If booked in advance:*

£4 per car      £6 per van

Please do come along to the Car Boot Sale  
either as buyer or seller and support the  
fund-raising for the School.

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## Sports Results

**Year 7:** Hannah Cooke ran in District and gained 34<sup>th</sup> place. Rachel Leigh ran in District and gained 41<sup>st</sup> place

**Claire White** represented U14 District Hockey Team which played in Inter Area Tournament at Olivers Mount and finished 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Katie Raines** will play in U14 District Netball Team at the Inter Area Tournament at Rossett, Harrogate.

**Matthew Bulmer, Bob Horsman and Chris Smith** have all been selected to play for the Districts U14 Team Football.

**Scott Preston** has been chosen for York District Football.

**Sebastian and John Towse** represented the District at U15 level Football

**Stephen Baxter, Andrew Frank, Richard Horsman** have been selected for U13 District Basketball

**Stephen Baxter** has been selected for the U13 County Basketball Team

**John Towse** represented the District at U15 Basketball

**Andrew Mitchell** (Year 11) has been selected for Yorkshire U16s Rugby Union side

**Tristan Ramsey** has been selected to run for the District U14 Cross Country Team.

### Sixth Form Netball

Malton 5-2 Police

### U14 K'out Cup Netball

LLS 6-23 Malton

### U14 K'out Cup Semi-Final

Malton 17-34 Pindar

### Year 11 Netball

Malton 5-5 Police

### Year 9 Netball

#### Round 1

Malton A 10-0 Eskdale C

Malton B 4-1 Eskdale B

Malton C 0-6 Eskdale A

#### Round 2

Malton A 6-1 Eskdale B

Malton B 4-2 Eskdale A

Malton C 2-4 Eskdale C

#### Round 3

Malton A 6-3 Eskdale A

Malton B 5-0 Eskdale C

Malton C 2-3 Eskdale B

### Netball v Ryedale

U12A won 17-12

U12B lost 12-14

U14 lost 12-15

### Year 9 District Hockey Tournament

Malton 0-0 Ryedale

Malton 0-0 Eskdale

Malton 1-0 St Aug.

Malton 0-1 Scalby

### Year 11 Football

Norton 5-1 Malton

### Year 10 Football

Malton 1-0 Scalby

Malton 3-1 Graham

### Year 9 Football

Norton 5-1 Malton

### Year 8 Football

Scalby 1-1 Malton

Malton 0-1 Filey

### Year 7 Football

Malton 2-3 Scalby

Malton 3-1 Norton

Malton 2-5 Eskdale

Norton 0-3 Malton

Malton 4-2 Raincliffe

### Year 11 Basketball

Malton 34-32 Whitby

### Year 10 Basketball

Malton 16-62 Police

### Year 7 Rugby

Malton 7-47 Pindar

**Year 8** were runners up in an **U13 Rugby** tournament held under floodlights at Malton Rugby Club

### Senior House Matches Junior House Matches

#### Netball

Rye 1<sup>st</sup> Rye 1<sup>st</sup>

Seven 2<sup>nd</sup> Derwent 2<sup>nd</sup>

Derwent 3<sup>rd</sup> Seven 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Hockey

Rye 1<sup>st</sup> Rye 1<sup>st</sup>

Derwent 2<sup>nd</sup> Derwent 2<sup>nd</sup>

Seven 2<sup>nd</sup> Seven 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Football

Seven 1<sup>st</sup> Seven 1<sup>st</sup>

Rye 2<sup>nd</sup> Rye 2<sup>nd</sup>

Derwent 3<sup>rd</sup> Derwent 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Rugby

Derwent 1<sup>st</sup> Seven 1<sup>st</sup>

Seven 1<sup>st</sup> Derwent 1<sup>st</sup>

Rye 1<sup>st</sup> Rye 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Basketball

Derwent 1<sup>st</sup> Seven 1<sup>st</sup>

Seven 2<sup>nd</sup> Rye 2<sup>nd</sup>

Rye 3<sup>rd</sup> Derwent 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Badminton

Seven 1<sup>st</sup>

Rye 2<sup>nd</sup>

Derwent 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### Cross Country

Seven 1<sup>st</sup>

Rye 2<sup>nd</sup>

Derwent 3<sup>rd</sup>

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