
MALTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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The Maltonians Library and Information Technology Appeal 1999
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Launch Night Well Supported

Despite the heavy snow and freezing conditions on Monday 8 February, the presentation and exhibition to launch our Library and ICT appeal was extremely well supported, with over 200 people attending.

We are sending a copy of the appeal brochure with this newsletter for your information. We apologise for the duplication if you picked one up on the evening: perhaps you could pass a copy on to someone else if this is the case. Spare copies are available at school: if you know anyone who might be interested in receiving a copy, please let us know.

The Exhibition

As the snow fell outside, a warm welcome awaited guests in the school hall, where they had the opportunity to view an exhibition about the ambitious plans to improve the library and computer facilities in school. They could also talk with pupils who were demonstrating the school websites, as well as those acting as guides who were escorting guests around the displays.

Sir Marcus Worsley

Sir Marcus, our Appeal Patron, made a speech in which he spoke of his family's long connection with Malton School - his father being Chairman of Governors for many years.

He recognised that computers have an ever increasing presence in our lives today, and that the potential they offer through communications technology to a rural economy was very great.

He spoke favourably of the community aspect of the project, and closed by urging everyone to help the young people in school by supporting this worthwhile appeal.

Pupils Speak Out

A number of pupils made excellent speeches about the project: Olivia Farey (Y7), Phoebe Court (Y9), and Andrew Brunton (Y11), explained very clearly what the ICT development would mean to them.

A second group delivered a well-rehearsed poem about why we need a new library: Tom Wall (Y7), Jonathan Monkman (Y8), Adam Turner & Claire Astin (Y9), Jessica Alcena (Y10), Andrew Mitchell (Y11), Lianne Gray (Y12), Emma Milson (Y13).

Refreshments

A first class buffet was provided by the school catering staff, well received and enjoyed by all. Our thanks go to Castle View Catering for sponsoring all the refreshments on the night.

Support Already Forthcoming

During the evening we received donations and pledges for over £2100. As some parents covenanted their donations, we will be able to enhance this sum further by reclaiming tax.

Many other guests expressed their willingness to support the appeal, but understandably wished to take away the brochure and forms to consider at their leisure.

We thank everyone for the interest they have shown, and remind supporters that *any* donation will be valued, whatever size.

The Next Steps

The Appeal launch was, by all accounts, a very successful evening. Many months of hard work to convert people's interest into financial support lay ahead. We now need your help to make this project a success.

Please remember that any contribution of any size will be valued. Please do consider whether you can help us in any way.

<p><i>A full newsletter will be published as usual on the first Friday after the half term break, on Friday 26 February.</i></p>
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The Maltonians Database Project 1999

New Year is always a time when people look backwards as well as forwards. This is even more appropriate in 1999 as we lead up to a new millennium.

Following the interest shown at our Past, Present and Future exhibition at November's Open Evening, we would like to find out more about our past, and now look to former pupils and others connected with the school for information. We hope to use the latest information technology to collate, store and present this information. Websites are already created and running; e-mail contacts have already been sent and received; photographs are being collected, digitised and processed.

One particular project we wish to commence this year is a database of everyone who has had any connection with the School this century, in any of its guises -whether it be as Malton School, Malton County Modern School, or Malton Grammar School. A rough estimate would suggest that up to 10 000 people, pupils and staff, have attended the school this century. That is a big database, but one we have the capacity to handle if we can get all the information.

What will happen to the information?

As information comes in, the School will set up a Maltonians section in the school library, where past photographs, records, artefacts and memorabilia will be stored, and may be viewed by pupils current and past. A booklet listing the results of the survey will be printed later in the year, and copies made available to all contributors. Updates on progress will appear in school newsletters and our website.

What can you do?

- If you attended the school as a pupil, or perhaps worked here in the past, please fill in the data collection form printed overleaf and return it to school.
- If you did not attend yourself, but perhaps know someone who did, please pass the form on or fill it in on their behalf.
- If you know other people who would like additional forms, please contact the school to ask for additional copies, or make copies yourself.

If you think you can help with information which doesn't fit the form, please do write to Mr S Fearnley, Deputy Head at the School.

Thank you for your interest.

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Confidentiality

We would like to include as much information as possible on our database. We hope to publish names, current location (town), contact information (telephone and/or e-mail) and school years. We would also like to use the database with current pupils. However, we recognise that some people may not wish some details to be made public. In this case indicate with a cross in the column on the right any information you do **not** wish to be published.

Accuracy

If you are unsure about any facts, please put your best guess, and follow with a question mark. For example - 1962-1968?

About you today:			Mark with an X for confidential
Forename(s):	Surname		
Address:			
Postcode:	Town:	County:	
Country (if not UK)			
Contacts:			
Telephone:	e-mail:		
What is your current employment?			

About your schooldays:

If you are not a former pupil, please state what your connection is here		
Surname (if different from above)	Which years were you at school?	
:	From	To
Do you remember who was the Headmaster(s) during your schooldays?		
Which school(s) did you attend?		
<input type="checkbox"/> Malton County Modern <input type="checkbox"/> Malton Grammar <input type="checkbox"/> Malton School (post 1971)		
Are you still in contact with any schoolfriends? Please name them below if possible, and give any contact information if you think we are unlikely to have contacted them		
Do you remember any of your teachers? Give any details you can (no recriminations please!).		