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# MALTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## **The Maltonians Library and ICT Appeal – A Message From The Head**

Parents of Malton School students will have received our Appeal Newsletter and Brochure before the holiday. Despite worsening weather conditions on Monday 8 February the West Wing Hall was a hive of activity as parents and members of the business community viewed the numerous stands and displays and talked to students and staff about the Appeal. For the formal presentation led by Sir Marcus Worsley Bart it was standing room only.

Parents of primary school pupils who receive our Newsletter and would like to learn more about our Appeal are invited to contact the School for a brochure. Please ask to speak to me if I can help.

Very many thanks to those parents, friends of the School and businesses that have already pledged a contribution to our Appeal. I am confident that we shall reach our target of a new Library and a second ICT facility but we do need your support. Please consider making a donation – large or small – to allow our students, your sons and daughters, and the community to benefit from these much-needed facilities.

North Yorkshire funding for schools will be cut by some 1.4% this year so we have to rely on your support to achieve the best for your sons and daughters. Please help.

David J Roberts.

## **Rugby Union Boost in Area**

In an attempt to give Rugby Union a higher profile in Malton School and to establish productive links with Malton & Norton RFC, Andrew Jepson the Rugby Football Union Youth Development Officer for North Yorkshire is visiting the School on a weekly basis.

His contribution will be eight quality coaching sessions with the Year 8 boys with a view to organising a tournament at Malton & Norton RFC for U13's to be held on the 24 March involving other Schools in the district. Mr Jepson is also providing some new rugby balls for Malton School. This adds to some equipment already kindly donated to the School by Malton & Norton RFC.

An added bonus is the contribution to the sessions by Malton & Norton RFC's current Australian players Chris Grebar and Phil Ryan who are both from Sydney, Australia, and are teacher trained.

Mr Harvey, Head of PE, said "I am confident that these sessions will develop an interest amongst the pupils in Rugby Union. I hope they will encourage a running style of rugby apparently alien to the English game over the last 10 years!" (Mr Harvey is a Scot by birth!)

## **Snowfall**

In case of severe wintry conditions please listen to Radio York for up-to-date information. If we are closed this will be announced in good time on Radio York. (103.7 FM) Could we please ask parents not to phone School to see if we are open as this prevents urgent messages getting through.

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## Maltonians Database Update

Our thanks go to those who have returned forms for this project, and to those who have taken additional forms for other people. There has been a steady influx of forms and e-mails, approximately 8-10 per week, since the request was made. Many people have given addresses for old friends, and a copy of the last newsletter has been sent where this is the case in the hope that they will also respond. If you still have a form to return, all will be gratefully received.

The internet site dedicated to Maltonians at <http://webspaces.dialnet.com/malton.school> is building gradually, and has received over 110 visitors since its start-up in January, and now includes pages on former staff, pupils, a collection of memories, photographs, archives, and other information.

### Some Snippets

- The form with the earliest school attendance date so far is from Eleanor Cooke, who was here in 1932. She now lives in Cotgrave, Nottinghamshire.
- The form from furthest away is from Simon Holden, now in California.
- Colin Gaden has written from Wetherby. Colin has organised re-unions for many years, mainly for pre 1950's pupils, and tells us the next is at the Green Man, Malton, 11.30 – 3.00p.m. on **Tuesday 27 April 1999.** Anyone interested can just turn up, or contact Colin in advance on **01937 583221.**
- Tina Kelly is interested in meeting old friends for a "25 years on" re-union. She was here 1969-74. If you are interested in such an event, contact her on **01653 693915.**

## Cello Masterclass

Just before half-term, Year 11 pupil Katie Aylmer was chosen to be one of six cellists to perform for a Master Class at Ampleforth College, given by the internationally renowned cellist Alexander Baillie. In essence the Master Class was a public lesson given for the benefit of an audience of some fifty other cellists and cello teachers. A nerve racking experience!

Mrs Christine Smith, Katie's cello teacher said "To be invited to perform was a great honour and Katie carried it off, playing beautifully, with her usual cool style. I know that she has gained much from the experience." Alexander Baillie said that he was impressed by her playing and even tried out her cello! He also gave her some useful tips on improving her technique.

Malton School is grateful to Ampleforth College for organising and providing the substantial funding needed for this prestigious event.



## Mrs Green Departs

Mrs Green leaves us on Friday 26 February, to commence her maternity leave. We wish her well and hope that all goes according to plan.

In her absence, Mrs Green's teaching and responsibilities will be covered as follows:

**Mrs Lovegrove** - Acting Head of Year 7 & 8

**Mr Horsman** - Acting Head of Year 9

**Mrs Howell** - Primary Liaison

**Mrs E Hopkins** – A-level Sociology teaching

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## Jazz At The East Wing

A four-man jazz band, the Perfect Houseplants, performed a lunchtime concert at the School in January. Hayley Brewer, currently studying A-levels at school, interviewed the band for BBC Radio York's Night Out programme. Hayley, who hopes to pursue a career in the media, also wrote a review for the Pied Piper project's Red Spot Magazine. An extract from her write-up is given below:

*Perfect Houseplants brings together four very different men with four very different personalities and views, but they all share the same passion – the music. The band draws upon many contrasting musical styles including classical, Brazilian, Ragtime, and even soundtracks for film and cartoon. There's no limit to their talents. Last year saw the band performing gigs in many major festivals in the UK as well as European appearances in Finland, Holland, Germany and Italy.*

*Speaking about their visit to the Pied Piper Project, Mark Lockheart (saxophone) said, "There's something for everyone in our music, from serious, hard blowing modern jazz through to more humorous and light-hearted, get-down grooving."*

Hayley Brewer

*Malton School PTA*

## Team Quiz Night

**Wednesday 17 March 1999**

7.30 pm

West Wing Hall

Admission £1 per person

Bring a team of up to 4 or  
join one on the night

*Raffle*

*Refreshments*

## EASTER CONCERT

A warm extended welcome to all

**Tuesday, 23 March 1999**

West Wing Hall

7.30 pm

## Indian Textiles

As part of the Art Department's bid to include art from different cultures in its programme, Year 10 art students spent a day with two inspirational textile artists, Caroline Crabtree and Christine Shaw. Caroline is a regular visitor to India and brought in a rich display of Indian artefacts which could otherwise only be seen in museums. Students were also shown how to make felt and tassel binding

## Tree Planting

On Monday 22 February representatives of the Kirkbymoorside Amnesty International group joined members of our Student Council to plant a tree in the grounds to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Revd Treasure spoke briefly of Amnesty's peaceful work to try to gain the release of all political prisoners and to abolish the use of torture around the world.

## Student Absence from School

Would all parents please ensure that School is notified on the first morning of any absence, for whatever reason. This will enable Form Tutors to keep a close check on student attendance.

## Budget Cuts

School budgets in North Yorkshire were cut for the financial year 1999-2000. The cutback of approximately 1.4% will result in the School having to save a further £22 000 next year.

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## Sports Results (Jan-Feb)

### Y7 Football

Malton 1-3 Lady Lumleys

### Y8 Football

Malton 3-3 Lady Lumleys

### Y9 Football

### Y11 Football

### 6th Form Football

Malton 23-16 Malton Police

### Mini Indoor Football – Swinton

Malton Staff	B Team	1st
Year 13		2nd
Year 12		3rd
Police Team		4th
Malton Staff	A Team	5th

### 6th Form

#### Basketball

Lady Lumleys 72-38 Malton

## Congratulations!

**Emma Crabtree Y13** has been selected to play in the U19 District Netball team.

**Claire White Y9** has been selected to play in U14 District Hockey. She was also selected from the U14 District Hockey team to attend for County Hockey trials at Richmond.

**Katie Raines Y8** has been selected to play in the U14 District Netball team.

**Hannah Cooke Y7** ran in the District Cross Country trials and gained 34<sup>th</sup> place

**Rachel Leigh Y7** ran in the District Cross Country trials and gained 41<sup>st</sup> place

## Forthcoming events

### Spring Term 1999

#### March

M	01		GCE modular examinations begin (6 days)
T	02		Y9 Assessments to Parents
		18.30	Y10 Parents' Meeting with Subject Teachers (students welcome)
W	03		GCSE Science Module
F	05		Y13 Reports issued
M	08		Junior House Matches
W	10		Senior House Matches
		18.30	Y9 Parents' Meeting with Subject Teachers (students welcome)
M	15		Ski Trip (all week)
W	17	19.30	PTA Quiz
F	19		Y11 Records of Achievement issued
M	22		Y12 Assessments to Parents
T	23		Easter Concert
F	26		Y8 Assessments to Parents
		15.50	End of term

#### April

M	12		Summer Term commences (We return on Week 1)
F	16		Newsletter 5 published
Th	15	19.30	Y9 Parents' Information Meeting (on choosing Options next year)
M	19		Y9 visit to Eden Camp
Th	22	18.30	Y8 Parents' Meeting with Subject Teachers
F	23		School closed to pupils (Staff Training Day)
Tu	27	11.30	Malton Grammar School Reunion at the Green Man
Th	29	19.30	Y12 Post-18 Information Meeting

#### May

M	3		Bank Holiday
Tu	4		Y9 SATs examinations begin
W	19		Main A-level exams begin
M	24		Main GCSE examinations begin
F	28	15.50	End of half term

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