

Rugby 1<sup>st</sup> XV

**Back Row L-R:** Terry Doohan Cyril Fozzard, Martin Hughes, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Hamilton, Arthur Askey, Philip Harper, Peter Sutcliffe

**Middle Row L-R:** Mark Abbott, Duncan Perry, William Rainforth, Jim Foster, Sid Boulton, Ray Barratt, Peter Henry

**Front Row L-R:** Brian Laughton, John Warden, Jack Robinson, Allinson

The 1st XV failed to continue the run of success which had lasted for almost five years. Yet their performance was by no means a bad one and Morley, Goole, Thorne and Wath were all beaten on at least one occasion. The 1st XV also more than held its own against a re-formed and strong Old Hilmians team. The chief feature of this year's team has been its teamwork, and it even confounded its critics about its use of wing three-quarters - simply because they were used! The statistics for the season are:

Matches played, 19; Matches won, 10; Matches lost, 8; Matches drawn, 1.

The 2nd XV had a very successful season. They did not lose one match. **What was lacking in brain was more than compensated by their enthusiastic use of brawn.** Perhaps the most pleasing feature of this year's Rugby Season was the promising display of the Colts. It was not so much the number of matches won, but how they were won that was impressive.

The thanks of all the three teams are tendered to the Headmaster, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Allan and Mr. Stockhill for their good advice and coaching, and to Mr. Rhodes for his care of the pitch and to Mrs. Cliffe for her provision of refreshments.

### Individual criticisms.

- BRIAN LAUGHTON** A fearless tackling full back whose kick for touch is a safe and long one. Positioning good.
- WILLIAM RAINFORTH** A "gazelle-like" three-quarter. His speed constitutes a real danger and his tackling is beyond reproach, but his handling on the run could be improved. Treasurer.
- PETER HENRY** A brilliant opportunist with an amazing and electrifying acceleration. Superlative though he is in attack he must learn to mark and tackle his man better.
- TERRY DOOHAN** A good steady centre three-quarter. His tackling can be good though it isn't always. His greatest value to the side is that he is unselfish and he feeds his wing well.
- JACK ROBINSON** A speedy wing three-quarter who goes for the line and uses the reverse pass to great advantage.
- ARTHUR ASKEY** A player with all the attributes necessary to make an excellent fly half. In defence his tackling is safe though his kick could be improved. In attack he has developed a deceptive dummy and he sets the three-quarter line in motion well.
- RAY BARRATT** A nippy scrum half. At his best he bewilders the opposition by his excellent service to the threes alternating with a dash down the blindside, but he sometimes spoils his own work by hanging on too long.
- SIDNEY BOULTON** A powerful prop forward who is the core of the line-out and who plays robustly in the loose. His kicking both for touch and for goal is a model of accuracy. His following-up from the kick-off is worthy of special praise.
- DUNCAN PERRY** This year's hooker who has gained possession against far heavier scrums. Outside the scrum he is a hard worker always to be found with the ball, consistently tackling hard and dribbling well.

PHILIP HARPER  
MARK ABBOTT  
movement direct from the kick-off.  
ALLINSON  
JOHN WARDEN  
backs.  
CYRIL FOZZARD

A hard-working forward. Line out play is good and he follows up well.  
Reliability itself. "Bud" is always in the thick of it. Dribbling and tackling are good. Specialises in starting a  
A second row forward who is always prominent in the line out.  
A loose forward who has a tendency to play in the 5/8 position. Always found worrying the opposing half  
An intelligent lock forward who has an amazing control of the ball in a dribble. His line out play could be  
improved if he realised that he must not spoil the attempt of the forward before him to get to the ball.

**James Foster (Captain), U6A**

**JAMES FOSTER** A most encouraging and hard working captain. Playing at loose forward he is always "up with the ball". The great stamina which he has conscientiously developed during recent years has made his attacking and defensive play an inspiring example to his team.

**W.J.L.**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> XV Rugby



**Back Row L-R:** Alan Harper, Harry Dunn-Birch, Roy Bell, Ralph Miles, Mr. Leonard, Eric Twigg, Steven Farmery, Peter Massey, Malcolm Ackroyd.

**Front Row L-R:** Richard Whittaker, Bill Littleboy, Martin Hughes, Eric Jones, Alwyn Younge, Gordon Clarke, Roy Trueman.

## Colts Rugby



Photo supplied by Leighton Smith. Some pupils identified by Terry McCroakam, Dennis Harper and Ron Wilkinson. Thank you.

**Back Row L-R:** Mr. Stockhill, Cliff Eyre, Allen C., Keith Bruce, Mr. Lloyd, Leighton Smith, Roy Frost, Penny, Mr. Allan

**Middle Row L-R:** Jim Stead, Ron Heppinstall, Eric Sale, Peter Schofield, Bernard Milner, Geoffrey Manning, 7

**Front Row L-R:** Ron Wilkinson, J.J. Bass, Terry O'Marr

## Cricket 1<sup>st</sup> XI



**Back Row L-R:** Denis Hartley, Ralph Miles, Ogden, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Lloyd, Martin Hughes, Peter Schofield, Peter Collette

**Front Row L-R:** Keith Bruce, Richard Whittaker, Bill Rainforth, Jim Foster, Harry Dunn-Birch, Bernard Milner, Sid Boulton.

This season has started well. Having played three matches, the 1st XI has won two, and only time prevented a third victory. It is an enthusiastic and sporting team, and win or lose, it will always be a pleasure to play in it. Performances with both the bat and the ball have been good, but the chief feature of the team is its keenness in the field. Success is also attending the other teams. The 2nd XI has won two out of its three matches whilst the Colts have won both their matches. On behalf of all the teams I should like to thank Mr. Leonard, Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Allan for their interest in and advice to the team. To the Headmaster I should like to tender my personal thanks for his invaluable advice on captaincy. I should also like to thank Mrs. Cliffe for her provision of refreshments. In Mr. Rhodes we have a groundsman who not only takes great care of the "square" but also takes great interest in the teams who play on the "square". Thank you, Mr. Rhodes.

### **Individual Criticisms**

WILLIAM RAINFORTH	A very sound opening batsman from whose bat runs have already begun to flow. A confident inspiring batsman, he is no less an excellent fielder at both point and gully.
HARRY DUNN-BIRCH	An attractive opening batsman with a good eye who does not hesitate to punish the "loose 'un". Fielding mid-on is very good but throwing-in needs practice.
BERNARD MILNER	A free-hitting aggressive No. 3. Although his defence is suspect his graceful style is a pleasure to watch. His fielding also has much improved, particularly so his returns to the wicket.
SIDNEY BOULTON	A very sound batsman who waits for the bad ball before showing his aggressive qualities. He is also a good length medium-pace change bowler and a safe fielder in the outfield.
OGDEN	A left arm medium-fast opening bowler. His good length accuracy and pace have already paid great dividends. He is also a hard hitting No. 5.
PETER SCHOFIELD	A young batsman with a great deal of promise. A keen fielder either in the outfield or in the slips.
KEITH BRUCE	A newcomer who has justified his selection both by his accurate good length "slows" and by his safe and keen fielding in the deep.
HUGHES J.E.	A useful change bowler. If his style shocks the "purists" it does nevertheless produce accurate and good length medium-pace bowling. A "slogger" in every sense of the word.
RICHARD WHITTAKER	This year's wicket-keeper. His excellent keeping of the wicket has starved Mr. Extras of many runs.
RALPH MILES.	A medium-slow opening bowler who relies upon his impeccable length, accuracy and variations of pace for his results. He is always worrying the batsman. His fielding both at first slip and in the deep is very good.

### **Jim Foster, U6A (Captain)**

**JIM FOSTER** Captain for the second successive year, he should this year see the fruits of his efforts to build a young team last year, and his experience as captain will prove an invaluable asset to the team. He is a sound bat, a useful slow bowler and an excellent fielder.

**W.J.L.**

## The G.S. Test Match



(It has been found necessary to suppress names for security reasons, but any resemblance to living persons is entirely coincidental).

The Staff lost the toss and were put into bat on a good wicket. The Umpires (C-e - carefully chosen by F-r because of his susceptibility to bribes or threats, and P-y - chosen for more personal reasons) were out on time and the game began. Mr. J-s and Mr. D-s opened the Staff's innings. Mr. J-s took first knock against O-n and he carefully surveyed the field after taking guard (one-off). The first ball was a trifle overpitched and the result was four byes off the stumper's head. The second ball found the edge of Mr. J-s's bat and a certain haziness as to the whereabouts of the ball spread over the fielders until H-s produced it from the cavity it had produced in his capacious stomach at first slip. The rest of the over was uneventful except for the return to consciousness of the stumper. M-s began bowling at the "tennis court end" and claimed a wicket with his first ball when the ball ricocheted from Mr. D-s's cap on to the wicket. Mr. H-n (the Head) then came in and took two fours off the next two balls and a single off the last. It was obvious that the Head had his "eye in" when he took two quick runs from O-n's first ball, but he nearly had it out with the second ball which was only stopped by the stumper's lacking the necessary agility to get out of its way (the game was held up until the stumper once again returned from the depths of oblivion). The remaining four of O-n's balls were punished severely, the Head taking a six and two fours off them. M-s's next over received harsh treatment from Mr. L-d who hit three sixes, a four and a two, but was caught on the boundary off the last ball. F-r then played his trump card and brought on R-h at the "pavilion end" with his slow leg breaks, googlies and a very deceptive flight. The first ball had the Head in two minds (whether to take a six or a four - he decided on a six) but the second ball bowled him neck and crop. With the remaining four balls R-h took the wickets of Mr. M-g Mr. H-n and Mr. L-d, the last ball resulting in a single by Mr. A-n. Mr. A-n then faced B-n who removed the leg stump first ball, the off stump second ball (exit Mr. S-r), one of Mr. L-k's fingers third ball and middle stump fourth ball. Mr. C-e had batted doggedly (without receiving a ball) throughout the innings. The school therefore went into bat faced with a total of sixty-two.

R-h and D-h opened for the school, R-h facing Mr. S-r from the "pavilion end". He played the first ball defensively but the second kicked up viciously and he was easily caught by Mr. L-k at forward short leg. The remaining balls against B-n missed the stumps. Mr. H-n then bowled from the "tennis court end" and produced devastating fast bowling:- 1st ball - D-h lbw - 0; 2nd ball M-r Retired hurt - 0; 3rd ball - O-n caught behind the wicket - 0; 4th ball - Four byes (the ball being above both batsman and stumper). 5th ball - F-r stumped while running down the wicket to make a big hit - 0; 6th ball - S-d bowled (those in the pavilion did not see the ball either). Mr. J-s then came on to bowl at the "pavilion end" and bowled B-e with a beautiful leg spinner which hit the leg stump seventh bounce. W-r then came in and stopped two balls, one with his head (naturally no adverse effects) and the other with some other part of his anatomy - before he was bowled "all ends up". M-s took a single off the next ball but B-n was hopelessly beaten by the last ball. H-s then came in to join M-s and he put up a brilliant exhibition of defensive play curbing his natural instincts. The highlight of this last wicket stand was a terrific hit by M-s - they ran two while the ball went up, two as it came down and two as it was being dug out. The stand realised sixty runs (H-s - 1; M-s - 58; Byes - 1) before Mr. L-k bowled M-s with a beautiful underhand lob which just removed the leg bail.

So ended the most enthralling Staff v School match in the annals of the Grammar School, the Staff winning by one run. N.B. A telegram was received at School which read: M.C.C. We invite the Staff team (en masse) to tour Australia in 1953 on behalf of England.

Whittaker R.J., L6A (Talbot)

The 1st Cricket Team in 1949 was Rainforth, Dunnbirch, Milner, Boulton, Ogden, Schofield, Bruce, Hughes, Miles, Foster and Whittaker. Some possibilities for the Staff names are:

Mr. J-s - Jones; Mr. D-s Davies; Mr. L-d Lloyd, Mr. A-n Allan; Mr. S-r Senior; Mr L-k Lock; Mr. C-e Collette; and Mr. H-n has stumped me!

Sheila Kelsall

## Cricket 2nd XI Photo 1



Photo from Geoff Dykes. Thank you, Geoff.

**Back Row L-R:** Geoff Manning, Jack Robinson, John Warden, Geoff Dykes, Eric Jones, Terry O'Marr, Malcolm Ackroyd, Mr. Leonard

**Front Row L-R:** Brian Laughton, Donald Clarke, Denis Hartley, Cyril Fozzard, Duncan Perry, Peter Sutcliffe, Ray Barrett.

## Cricket 2nd XI Photo 2



Photo from Geoff Dykes. Thank you, Geoff.

**Back Row L-R:** Geoff Manning, John Warden, Geoff Dykes, Martin Hughes, Malcolm Ackroyd, Alwyn Younge, Mr. Leonard

**Front Row L-R:** Brian Laughton, Denis Hartley, Donald Clarke, Cyril Fozzard, Duncan Perry, Peter Sutcliffe, Eric Jones

## Colts Cricket



**Back Row L-R:** Bruce, Trevor Josham, Cooke, Michael Collette, Brian Horbury, John Hardy, Butterfield J., Mr. Allan  
**Front Row L-R:** Denis Baker, Pat Jagger, R. Hartley, Jim Stead, Ken Chappell, Cliff Eyre, Roy Frost.

## Athletics



Photo from Irene Wright. Some names have been sent in by Malcolm Thomas, Eric Jones and Peter Fisher. Thank you.

**Back Row L-R:** Harper, Trevor Trueman, P. Lockett, Ron Wilkinson, Peter Fisher, Jim Stead, Alan Goodinson

**4th Row L-R:** Philip Harper, Steve Farmery, Herbert James, Brian Secker, Geoff Manning, Peter Massey, Allen, Brian Lawton, Cyril Fozzard, Peter Henry, Bernard Milner, Doug Jackson

**3rd Row L-R:** Edna Webster, Pat Waring, Jean Thompson, Irene Wright, Eileen Booth, Dilys Johnson, Fay Hollinshead, Margaret Roberts, Shirley Lilford

**2nd Row L-R:** Beryl Bate, Dorothy Pickin, Amy Hepton, Miss Woodward, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Leonard, Jim Foster, Gordon Clarke, Roy Trueman

**Front Row L-R:** Joan Taylor, Chris Burkinshaw, Dave Rewhorn, Mick Poole, Farmery, Mick Downes, Carol Sugden

## Inter-School Sports Team



Photo from Steve Farmery. Some have come from Eric Jones. Thank you.

**Back Row L-R:** Peter Henry, Cyril Fozzard, Steve Farmery, Philip Harper, Peter Massey

**Front Row L-R:** Roy Trueman, Brian Lawton, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Leonard, Jim Foster, Gordon Clarke

## Huddersfield Sports 1949



At the Huddersfield Sports, held on May 18th 1949, the Senior Boys repeated their last year's victory by carrying off the Senior Boys' Plaque for 1949. The Junior and Middle Boys were not quite as successful as the Seniors, and thus the W.R.C.C. (West Riding County Council) shield, which Hemsworth held last year, went to Normanton. The Girls' Team was rather unfortunate, but in the Senior Girls' High Jump Hemsworth gained first place when Amy Hepton cleared a height of 4ft 5ins. The Senior Boys won all their events except the 220 yards, and two records were broken. Jim Foster won the Mile in a record-breaking time of 4 minutes 55.5 seconds, whilst Gordon Clarke broke the previous Quarter-mile record of 57 seconds with a time of 56.3 seconds. Clarke now holds both Middle and Senior quarter-mile records. The Senior Relay Team, composed of Jim Foster, Sidney Boulton, Peter Henry and Roy Trueman won their event quite easily. The Middle Boys gained first place in the High Jump, with Geoffrey Manning as their representative and also won the Middle Boys' Relay race. The only win for the Junior Boys was when Trevor Trueman gained first place in the High Jump. Perhaps Herbert James, our hope for the Middle Boys' Half-mile was the most disappointed member of the Hemsworth Team, for although he broke the existing record (2mins 23.4 secs) in a time of 2 mins 20 secs, he was placed only second. Hemsworth now holds 7 out of 15 Huddersfield records.

### Final Placings

(1) Normanton	Juniors 27	Middles 24	Seniors 17	Total 68
(2) Hemsworth	Juniors 7	Middles 23	Seniors 35	Total 65
(3) Honley	Juniors 9	Middles 11½	Seniors 18	Total 38½

Cyril Fozzard, L6A (Talbot).

## Athletics Cup Winners



**Back Row L-R:** Allen C., Mr. Leonard, Geoffrey Manning.

**Front Row L-R:** Jim Stead, Herbert James

## Swimming 1948-49



Last season, though fairly successful, was marked by a decrease in the number of certificates gained, but this was mainly due to the large number of pupils in the first and second forms who had gained certificates the previous year. The Swimming Cup was won this year (1948) by Guest, with Holgate second and Price third. Great enthusiasm was shown by the Competitors, who gave very good performances and caused great excitement among the spectators on Gala Day. The Senior Championship winners were Thelma Betts and Sheila Sutcliffe of Guest who tied, and Sidney Boulton of Talbot. The Junior Championship winners were Jill Page of Holgate and Owen P. of Guest. On behalf of the School I should like to express our thanks to Mr. Ward - who unfortunately has left us - Mr. Atack, Miss Woodward and Miss Carter for their advice and encouragement. I am sure their continued efforts will receive greater support and show better results next season.

**Sidney Boulton, U6A (Talbot).**

## Cross-country run



Talbot House, for the third successive year, won the cross-country run because the Juniors backed up the few Seniors who entered. Enthusiasm was lacking amongst the Seniors of all four Houses and the Juniors of all the Houses gained most of the points. Talbot gained the first three places in the Senior event with Brian Lawton (1), Cyril Fozzard (2), Arthur Hanley (3). Herbert James (Holgate) was the first home in the Junior event, Jim Stead (Price) was the second, and Len Clarke (Talbot) was the third.

**Cyril Fozzard, L6A Talbot**