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KING EDWARD VI. SCHOOL,
BURY ST. EDMUND'S,
SUFFOLK.

Headmaster's Notes.

THIS term we have welcomed to the Staff Mr. C. Mertens as French Master, and Mr. N. G. Cresswell as History Master. The former's influence has rapidly spread even to the Prep. whose unbounded enthusiasm for the French language has resulted in numerous requests at dinner to pass the "bombardiers." Unfortunately we are to lose the services of Mr. Cresswell after only one term, but we wish to thank him for all he has done, and to extend to him our best wishes on his promotion. Next term we shall welcome back Mr. Wood, offering him at the same time our congratulations on his engagement.

Congratulations to the fourteen successful candidates in the School Certificate Examination and to the five successful in the Higher School Certificate Examination, especially to N. B. Williams, who was awarded a State Bursary on his result.

We are all very delighted to hear of the further success of A. C. T. Hawksley who, in the passing out examination at the Royal Naval College, was placed in the First Class, sixth in order of merit. This represents one of the finest achievements of the School in recent years. Hawksley is now serving with one of the Cruisers of the County Class.

Once again we have had a very successful Speech Day, with the Gym. filled to capacity. Our grateful thanks are due to Mr. Gerald Howard, Recorder of Bury St. Edmund's, for his very human address.

During the course of the term a number of boys have attended a course of University Extension Lectures on Music. In addition, many have availed themselves of a regular invitation to hear recitals by first-class artistes at the Army Study Circle Centre in Chequer Square. We are most grateful to the organisers of this study circle for the cordial welcome they have given us.

Mr. Elliott added that now the new Education Bill was passed it was a grave concern how the new buildings and the 100,000 additional teachers required were to be provided and how quickly. Without them the new Act was as dead as a door-nail. Referring to the power given to local authorities to start boarding schools, Mr. Elliott said he did not want to see boarding schools started solely because of widely scattered populations or because there was something approaching domestic discord in an area. The real value of a boarding school was that it merged boys from different homes, from different parts of the country, of different types and interests, to the benefit of all. If the boarding school was going to have narrow limits it was going to lose an important part of its value.

Football.

FOOTBALL REVIEW.

As will be seen from the large number of first eleven characters this term, there has been difficulty in finding a stabilised team. Very few of last season's players remained, so we started off with a very inexperienced eleven. However, after a policy of trial and error, there has been evolved a team, the forwards of which realise that passing is a help after all, while the defence appreciates that first-time kicking is more important than sheer weight.

Despite the small percentage of wins the scores in the matches have been reasonably close, though the Thetford encounter showed that we have much to learn. However, the Junior eleven has kept up its record of winning every match.

The House matches were closely contested by the Tudors and Lancastrians, but the Royalists v. Foreigners, which resulted in a 4-0 win to the Royalists, was more or less a failure when its spirit was compared with the fierce rivalry of the old days. The Boarders showed a distinct lack of spirit and the Dayboys did little to make up for the deficiency.

Lastly, we thank Mr. Rich, our new Games Master, for all his efforts, especially for the comparatively full fixture list.

FOOTBALL RESULTS.

1ST XI.	A.T.C.	0-3	H.
	W.S.C.S.	0-1	H.
	Stowmarket	1-3	H.
	"	3-2	A.
	W.S.C.S.	4-5	A.
2ND XI.	Thetford	2-6	H.
	W.S.C.S.	2-4	A.
JUNIOR XI.	"	2-4	H.
	W.S.C.S.	4-0	A.
	"	3-0	H.

CHARACTERS OF THE ELEVEN.

- *A. R. THOMSON (captain and centre-half). No keener or more enthusiastic footballer ever walked on to the playing field. He is tireless, and sets an excellent example to his team mates. A strong kick and a determined tackler. His passes to the forwards might be less powerful and more accurately placed. As a centre-half he would find it useful to practise heading more. A very good captain.
- *A. B. ROOD (vice-captain and left-half) A versatile player who can be relied upon to give a good performance in any position, especially in goal, though he has played elsewhere in most of the matches.
- †J. F. FORDHAM (right-half). Has the best ball control in the team, and also a very accurate long-range shot, but has a disappointing tendency to "hang-back" when opposed to players bigger than himself.
- †A. T. RUDDOCK (left-wing). A player with speed and foot-work which could be developed to advantage. Should centre the ball more often, and not always shoot.
- †W. G. PODMORE (right-wing). His speed has developed surprisingly since last season, but unfortunately there has been little parallel improvement in ball-control. Centres well.

- †A. F. JENNINGS (goal-keeper). A keen young player, who has played some very good games. Lacks speed and timing to a certain extent. Should clear the ball sooner.
- †C. A. H. HODGE (right-back). An integral part of the defence, with a purely psychological effect. Is usually beaten by good footwork. His kicking has improved greatly.
- J. SYRETT (inside-right). A useful addition to the team. His passing and shooting are consistently good. Is rather easily intimidated.
- R. L. DODDS (inside-left). The youngest member and an enthusiast. Position-play and shooting excellent. Is not usually handicapped by his size.
- J. F. TRIPP (left-back). Has improved greatly with experience. Can kick well, but his timing must be improved still more.
- B. H. AUSTIN (centre-forward). Although he has had considerable success (three goals against Stowmarket in his first match), his size has prevented him from being a powerful spearhead. Must be faster on the ball and not so nervous.

Also played—

- P. F. WEBB (left-back). Unfortunately he had an accident in one of the early matches and has not played since. Kicks well and would have been a strong link in the eleven.
- P. M. MILLER. Proved a great disappointment as a forward, despite his experience from last season's team, but has recently played well as a half. Must learn to use the other members of the eleven and not to hinder them.
- S. GALLOWAY. Always puts his heart into the game. Uses his head effectively, but is inclined to muddle.

* Full Colours.

† Half-Colours.

A.R.T.

J.T.C. Notes.

The Contingent commenced this term with a feeling that almost everyone connected with it had to win his spurs; the end of last term saw the departure of Capt. Swainston, and we were further handicapped owing to a number of our N.C.O.'s leaving School. However, all the present N.C.O.'s have proved themselves equal to their responsibility and have justified the trust placed in them.

We were very fortunate in having the services of an instructional Travelling Wing in the early days of November, and their work, particularly with the Post Certificate "A" class, was much appreciated. It is likely to be extremely useful in the future. On Saturday, 14th October, the Contingent was honoured by a visit from Major-General Ozanne, who was most interested in our work and helpful in his suggestions.

A successful Field Day was held on Tuesday, 14th November, despite the weather's interference with the night operation; one section leader seems to be a firm believer in the theory that increased mobility is desirable in the case of infantry forces.

PROMOTIONS,

Cpl. Thomson	to be	C.S.M.
" Hodge	" "	Sgt.
L/Cpl. Gilbert	" "	Sgt.
L/Cpl. Ruddock	" "	Cpl.
L/Cpl. Gow	" "	Cpl.
Cadet Woodrow	" "	Cpl.
" Payne	" "	Cpl.
" Hughes ii.	" "	L/Cpl.
" Asquith	" "	L/Cpl.
" Rood	" "	L/Cpl.
" Davies	" "	L/Cpl.
" Savill	" "	L/Cpl.

R. F. MORGAN, Lieut.

Savings Notes.

Subscriptions this term amount to £206 12s. 6d., of which £40 9s. was contributed by the Prep. department. D.A.Y.

Scout Notes.

Considerable progress has been made this term, and we are pleased to note added keenness and enthusiasm in the troop as a whole. The twelve patrols have been split into three sections and two new troop leaders (Savill and Wilson) appointed. Dorey has gained the King's Scout badge, and Footer the First Class. Hart, Bloomfield, Osborne and Rainbird have been appointed Patrol Leaders. A number of cubs have come up into the troop, and most of them have now been invested.

A Patrol Leaders' week-end course for the district was run by Mr. J. W. Sanderson, Field Commissioner for East Anglia, on 25th and 26th November. Twelve boys from our troop attended this and thoroughly enjoyed it.

A very successful camp fire and variety show run by the scouts and cubs was held on 30th November. Lucas was the chief organiser, and deserves great credit for his efforts. We were pleased to welcome a number of old scouts and other members of the School. Two of these guests helped in the entertainment: Mr. Mertens gave an interesting talk and led some French songs and yells, and A. Newton's performance on the flute was much appreciated. The cubs gave two excellent sketches, organised most ably by Miss Kilpatrick.

Mr. R. D. Walmsley, of Cockfield, very kindly came over one afternoon to demonstrate the erection of an aerial runway. We have now added considerably to our pioneering equipment, and hope to provide many more activities of this kind in future.

D.A.Y.

Cub Notes.

Our Cubbing this term has been marked by general progress. We sent up seven older Cubs to the Scouts, and ten recruits have passed their Tenderpad tests.

Mr. Sanderson came to see us one afternoon just as we were in the midst of a noisy animal procession. We enjoyed the Scout Camp Fire; we were this year given the opportunity of providing two items ourselves, and the last three weeks were devoted to preparations for this.

Next term, we hope to spend more time on Proficiency Badge work and on persuading more Cubs to open both their eyes, in other words, to gain their second stars.

The Young Farmers' Club.

The Young Farmers' Club have had an instructive and interesting Xmas term session with Lectures, Films and a Debate.

The chief Lecture was on Agricultural Machinery. The Lecturer stressed the importance of lubrication and care of tractors and all farm implements when not in use.

Films shown includes those on Bees, Nursery Work with Fruit Trees, and the Production of Seeds for the Farm and the Vegetable Garden. The Film on Bees was particularly interesting and very beautiful in all its natural colours.

The Debate to close the session was on Horse v. Tractor, Mr. Oliver speaking on the merits of the horse, whilst Mr. Thomson upheld the tractor.

Several new members have joined this term and the membership now stands at over 60. B.S.R.

Inter-House Competition, 1943-4.

	TUDORS.	LANCS.	YORKISTS.
Christmas Term	45	17½	12½
Easter Term	45	30	15
Summer Term	55	47½	2½
TOTAL	145	95	30

School Notes.

VALETE—

Sixth Form.	D. J. E. Clamp M. F. H. Simpson	N. B. Williams R. Wolfendale
Fifth Form.	A. H. Armson G. C. Baxter D.W.C.Charmbury	D. J. Evans J. H. Garrod F. R. Herbert
Fourth Form.	C. D. Boniwell F. A. Gates	D. J. Pettit D. G. Terry
Third Form.	K. A. Hughes H. W. Rushbrooke	D. J. Ward
Second Form.	W. E. Cotton A. R. Ferris	P. C. Hayward J. H. King
First Form.	D. Hodge	T. Smith
Upper Prep.	W. Hartnell	

SALVETE—

Fifth Form.	J. E. C. de Quincey	
Third Form.	J. Galloway	J. McNeill
Second Form.	J. D. Laws M. H. Sketch	A. W. Newton
First Form.	B. D. Allen H. N. Bass J. H. Burrows M. J. Daley J. W. Hayward	R. C. Hayward J. A. Kohler K. G. Melton P. A. Millie R. H. Williams
Upper Prep.	J. I. Bruce P. W. Laws B. J. Parker	G. A. Sturgeon G. M. Sturgeon
Middle Prep.	D. P. Brown	R. J. Farrer
Lower Prep.	V. R. Adcock T. O. Ashton R. A. Bromley P. N. D. Bungard D. L. Cowell R. D. Fulcher R. E. Gittus	K. Glendinning P. R. Harris R. D. Hurst J. H. Lawrence M. P. R. O'Meara J. R. Thompson

Congratulations to F. B. Gow and A. T. Ruddock on being made School and House Prefects respectively.

This term we welcomed Mr. Cresswell and Mr. Mertens, only to have to say good-bye to the former almost immediately. We wish him all success in his Head-mastership.

Fortunately the term has been comparatively free from illness, especially among the boarders. There have been eight boys only who have been in the sick room. Is this a good or a bad omen for next term?

The Poppy Day collection raised the satisfactory sum of £4 18s. 10d.

At present the House competition is far from decided, with the Tudors leading in games, and the Lancastrians in P.T. A number of boys, however, repeatedly handicap their House by their unpunctuality. We hope that next term this will be remedied by an increase in House spirit. A.R.T.

Old Boys' Notes.

We have been pleased to see at School this term, D. M. Gardiner, M. D. Forster, and D. M. Brittain. Gardiner and Forster have almost completed their training with the Marines, whilst Brittain is back in this country convalescing after receiving wounds in the fighting round Caen. His only regret is that he received his wounds in his first action and that as a consequence he saw nothing of the drive through France and Belgium.

Lt. E. Wolfendale sends the School his best wishes for Christmas from somewhere in the Western theatre of operations. We understand that R. Wolfendale is doing his army training somewhere in Scotland.

Another visitor to the School was M. F. H. Simpson, now following a short course at Cambridge.

We understand that Frank Stearn was seriously wounded in the early days of the Second Front, but that his sportsman-like heart makes light of his handicap. The School is proud of him.

D. R. Parkyn is now in Canada training to be a Bombardier.

R. F. Pughe is now acting Squadron Leader. S. J. H. Pughe wrote us a mournful letter on his being brought back from Normandy to take a Staff Course with its attendant examinations.

Heartiest congratulations to H. A. Conlan, the former Benedick of the Old Boys' Association, and best wishes for the future.

Geoffrey Fulcher wrote us from somewhere in France. He has seen a lot of W. A. Crack. The latter, by the way, has been able to get into Paris and look up some relations of his who have lived through the occupation.

H. S. Sanders has at last managed to get away from Africa—only to find himself in the "bush" in Ceylon.

M. E. Peppiatt has managed to spare time in his job of "liberating," as he puts it, to send a cheque covering his subscription for the next eight years. In the early days of the Second Front he spent two days as a prisoner with S.S. troops. Unfortunately he glosses over the rest of the story.

B. J. Marriott has now finished his Naval Short Course and has commenced his training at the Depot.

Peter Willams is still in South Africa—running the dance band of the Air School.

Raymond Hemsley is now in Burma.

Percy Sale is now serving in the Royal Navy. He wrote us from hospital. We hope that he is now fully recovered.

To all Old Burians—the School sends the warmest of good wishes and its hopes for your well-being and your speedy return.

In Memoriam.

It was with deep regret that the School heard of the death of Lt. F. R. Stokes, R.A.C., killed in action in Normandy. We offer our heartfelt sympathy to his family.

School Calendar, 1945.

EASTER TERM.

First Session ...	Thursday, 11th Jan.
Confirmation	Wednesday, 28th Feb. (3 p.m.)
Last Session ...	Thursday, 29th Mar.

SUMMER TERM.

First Session ...	Thursday, 26th April.
Athletic Sports ...	Thursday, 24th May.
Founder's Day ...	Thursday, 5th July.
Last Session ...	Thursday, 26th July.

Boarders arrive the afternoon **before** the first session and go home the day **after** the last session.

Important.—Please note that in future all Boarders must report by 6 p.m. on the day of their return.

The School List.

SIXTH

J. H. Asquith
P. J. G. Barnett
A. L. R. Davies
B. Francis
O. J. W. Gilbert
F. B. Gow

C. A. H. Hodge
J. V. Hughes
E. H. Pask
B. R. Payne
A. B. Rood
A. T. Ruddock

D. Savill
R. J. W. Stow
J. Syrett
A. R. Thomson
M. R. Wilson
P. F. Woodrow

FIFTH

C. W. A. Bull
A. G. B. Cobbold
E. Day
M. J. Dorey
N. E. T. Edgar
G. R. Feavearyear
J. F. Fordham

A. F. Jennings
D. W. Mayhew
P. M. Miller
P. L. Nice
W. G. Podmore
J. E. C. de Quincey
E. C. Reeve

J. M. Ross
J. R. Rowat
E. W. Sims
J. F. Tripp
R. G. B. Watson
P. F. Webb

FOURTH

D. S. Atter
J. H. R. Baker
N. H. Bates
B. R. Bloomfield
T. W. Blumfield
O. B. Butterfield
C. A. Clark
R. L. Dodds
W. F. Fisher

P. N. Gates
C. G. Haill
R. O. Hughes
A. R. Le Grice
D. M. Lucas
A. S. Marshall
G. J. Marshall
B. A. Martin
B. S. Mason

P. J. Olley
T. R. P. Osborne
R. E. Phillips
A. K. Robathan
R. W. Rose
C. A. Shafto
T. H. Stone
P. J. Tyson
R. Wells

THIRD

B. H. Austin
B. J. Barratt
A. J. Beckerleg
W. D. Berry
D. R. Bond
M. J. Boughton
L. C. N. Brand
J. D. Clark
P. Cooke
R. P. Dutton
F. S. Footer

J. Galloway
P. G. Game
D. V. Hart
I. A. Hunter
G. Luhrs
J. P. Macdonald
E. H. Marfleet
M. E. Marfleet
I. F. McGeehan
J. McNeill

M. O. R. Minns
W. A. G. Morley
M. J. H. Orsler
R. S. Pask
P. S. G. Rainbird
A. G. Scott
D. C. Shelbourne
D. G. Smith
G. T. Turvey
E. Williams

SECOND

R. B. Abbott
J. H. Astbury
G. E. Baker
B. A. Bates
M. H. Clark
G. L. Cotton
E. H. Davey
T. G. L. Dodds
M. D. Fulcher
R. C. Gilbert
H. Howlett
J. E. Hunnable

D. M. Kidd
E. J. Kiddy
E. J. Knight
J. D. Laws
R. K. Leeks
D. W. Marriott
A. W. Newton
J. C. Nice
T. R. M. Purkiss
J. E. Riches
C. R. Rush

R. B. Rush
C. A. M. Schofield
J. M. Scott
L. Shorter
M. H. Sketch
J. C. Snell
M. H. Ward
E. J. Watsham
D. Webb
G. Wharton
J. G. Wilson

THE SCHOOL LIST—(Continued).

FIRST

J. M. Abbott
B. D. Allen
H. N. Bass
M. B. Blackledge
J. H. Burrows
K. C. Cutmore
M. J. Daley
R. H. Field
D. P. Harrison
J. W. Hayward
R. C. Hayward
P. R. Hazell

G. M. Hurst
M. P. Jolly
D. B. Kiddy
J. A. Kohler
A. G. Lee
B. J. Meadows
D. J. Meekings
K. G. Melton
P. A. Millie
M. P. Nudds
L. M. O'Toole

R. T. Pike
G. W. C. Potter
M. A. Potter
D. R. J. Potter
R. W. J. Presbury
R. P. Seddon
P. F. Shelbourne
M. J. L. Smith
J. Todd
B. F. Tyson
R. H. Williams

UPPER PREP.

P. Abbott
J. D. Baker
J. I. Bruce
D. A. Byford
J. A. Cobbold
M. L. Collier
J. M. Forster
P. C. Fryer
J. S. Glendinning
M. C. Hawkes

G. B. Iles
G. R. Jennings
G. B. Jones
J. R. Herrington
P. W. Laws
B. L. Loades
P. Montgomery
D. S. Newton
A. E. Nice
R. M. Palmer

B. J. Parker
S. H. Ringrose
B. A. Rush
R. J. Rush
R. H. Sleigh
K. Stephenson
G. A. Sturgeon
G. M. Sturgeon
T. O. Thwaites
C. E. H. Watsham

MIDDLE PREP.

W. J. Anderson
D. M. Archer
R. A. Bromley
D. P. Brown
R. J. Farrer
F. G. Gittus
R. A. C. Gould

G. A. Hunter
J. Lacey
P. J. Mossford
P. F. Nunn
L. J. M. Oliver
R. P. Plumpton
R. J. Ruffel

J. R. Ruffles
N. M. F. Smith
J. W. Stacey
B. A. Ward
E. D. Watson
M. Webb
J. A. Wilkinson

LOWER PREP.

V. R. Adcock
D. B. Ashton
T. O. Ashton
P. N. D. Bungard
D. L. Cowell
C. A. Crack

J. M. Elliott
B. G. Ellis
P. J. Fulcher
R. D. Fulcher
R. E. Gittus
K. Glendinning

P. R. Harris
R. D. Hurst
J. H. Lawrence
R. J. Nice
M.P. R. O'Meara
J. R. Thompson

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