

BALSHAW'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL
LEYLAND



1782

SPEECH DAY AND
DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES

by

COLONEL T. E. ST. JOHNSTON, C.B.E., M.A.
(Chief Constable of Lancashire)

in the School Hall

at 7-30 p.m.

on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14th, 1953.

Order of Proceedings

Chairman :

J. TOMLINSON, ESQ.

Vice-Chairman of Governors of the School.

1. Songs :

(i) **“ Summer is i' cumen In ”**

A rota or round believed to be the oldest example of part-music in existence, transcribed by John of Fornsete, a Monk of the Monastery of Reading, about the year 1226. Sung by three voices with a further two voices providing a ground bass.

(ii) **“ A Song of Rest ”**

Trio with pianoforte accompaniment. Words anonymous. Music by H. Walford Davies.

(iii) **“ Sister Awake ”**

Madrigal in three voices by Thomas Bateson.

“ Sister, awake, close not your eyes
The day her light discloses,
And the bright morning doth arise
Out of her bed of roses.”

(iv) **“ Stabat Mater ” - Pergolesi - Amen chorus.**

2. Address by the Head Master.

3. Introduction of Col. St. Johnston by the Chairman.

4. Distribution of Prizes by Col. St. Johnston.

5. Vote of Thanks to Col. St. Johnston.

6. Vote of Thanks to the Chairman.

7. God Save the Queen.

Members of the audience are asked kindly to remain in their places until the Governors have left the Hall.

Prize List

SPECIAL PRIZES

To the Head Boy	} presented by the Old Students' Association	.....	Topping, G.
To the Head Girl		.....	B. Ward
For Loyalty, Service and Example	.....	.....	Smith, K. R.
		.....	J. Brooks
The "James Todd" Prize for Art	.....	.....	R. M. Wilson
For Elocution and Dramatic Art, presented by Mrs. E. M. Davies	.....	.....	A. Salt
For Handicraft, presented by G. H. Redman, Esq., C.B.E., J.P., C.C.	.....	.....	Walton, D.
For Biology, presented by H. Wilkins, Esq.	.....	.....	J. Ritchie
For Domestic Science	.....	.....	A. Meakin
For Music and Singing	.....	.....	B. Fletcher
For Knowledge of the British Commonwealth & Empire			K. Hosker

FORM PRIZES

UPPER	Kevill, D.	.....	Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics.
VI.	A. Singleton	.....	English, French, History.
	L. Sinfield	.....	Greek, Latin, Ancient History.
	Ainsworth, R. R.	.....	English.
	J. Turner	.....	Geography.
LOWER	V. Bamber	.....	Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics.
VI.	J. J. Wild	.....	Biology.
	S. D. Dowling	.....	English, French, History.
	S. Bretherton	.....	Latin.
	B. Kenyon	.....	English, History.
	A. J. Jennings	.....	Geography.

Va.	Stanbridge, D. W.	English, Geography, General Science.
	Egerton, R. T.	Handicraft, Latin.
Vb.	E. A. Brennand	French, History, Latin, General Science.
	Baxendale, R. M.	General Subjects.
Vc.	A. Gardner	English, Geography, History, Housecraft.
	M. H. Rowlands	General Science.
IVa.	Wright, A. D.	French.
	M. M. Rowley	Latin.
IVb.	R. A. Dickinson	General Subjects.
	I. M. Bamber	Mathematics, General Science.
IVc.	Bourn, A. J. R.	English, Geography, Handicraft, History, General Science.
	A. P. Heaton	Housecraft, Mathematics.
IIIa.	Malley, F.	Art, General Science.
	V. Kelly	Mathematics.
IIIb.	Ingham, M. F.	French, Mathematics.
	Singleton, B. J.	Handicraft.
IIIc.	Dawber, R. P. R.	Art, Geography, General Science.
	B. M. Floyd	English, Housecraft, Mathematics.
IIa.	J. Bailey	English, Geography, History.
	Ball, L.	French, Handicraft, Latin, Mathematics.
IIb.	Entwistle, J. T.	Mathematics.
	Howe, P. D.	Geography, Latin, General Science.
IIc.	D. Wright	Art, Needlework, General Science.
	Carefoot, W. C.	History, Mathematics.
Ia.	D. Shuttleworth	Geography, History, Hygiene, General Science.
	C. A. Smith	General Subjects.
Ib.	P. M. Smith	French, Mathematics.
	Davies, J. A.	English, Geography.
Ic.	D. Atkinson	General Subjects.
	M. A. Phillips	Mathematics.

SUCCESSES AT PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS

The following 30 pupils were awarded the General Certificate of Education at the 'Advanced' standard on the results of the examination conducted by the Northern Universities' Joint Board in May/June, 1953 :—

Ackers, B. H., Ainsworth, R. R., Bamford, M. H., Hurst, D. W., Kevill, D. N., Mather, K., Smalley, A., Smith, K. R., Topping, G., Walsh, J., Walton, R.

A. Arthurs, D. B. Bailey, A. F. Brennand, J. P. Cairns, E. J. Fleischmann, P. M. James, P. M. Leach, A. H. Rigby, J. Ritchie, A. J. Salt, L. Sinfield, A. Singleton, M. Swindlehurst, H. Towers, J. Turner, E. Walmsley, J. Walmsley, B. Ward, M. Wrathall.

The following 3 pupils were awarded the General Certificate of Education at the 'Ordinary' standard on the results of the examination conducted by the Northern Universities' Joint Board in May/June, 1953 :—

B. D. Baybutt, A. M. Pritchard, J. M. Standen.

The following 112 pupils were awarded the General Certificate of Education at the 'Ordinary' standard on the results of the examination conducted by the Oxford Delegacy in July, 1953 :—

Bamford, M. H., Barnes, B., Baxendale, R. M., Bradshaw, M., Crofts, J. R., Dewhurst, T. A., Draper, J. K., Egerton, R. T., Green, J. R., Hall, A. E., Harrison, J., Jones, K., Kirkham, H. G., Knowles, J. E., Lucas, J., Marsden, J. M., Ogden, I. W., Owen, D. A., Palmer, H. J., Parker, C., Parkington, B. W., Parkinson, J., Pinder, D. R., Pritchard, G. T., Remington, E. E., Robinson, J. K., Singleton, J., Smith, C., Stanbridge, D. W., Swarbrick, R., Walker, F. J., Walton, D., Williams, A. P.

J. V. Barker, M. E. Beardsworth, J. Bell, M. Bolton, O. Bracewell, E. A. Brennand, D. Butterworth, Jean Cairns, S. Campbell, W. Chetham, B. A. Cooke, S. A. Cook, M. E. Coulton, M. Davidson, P. Dixon, S. Dowling, E. Duckworth, P. H. Farrer, A. Gardner, M. Gilbert, B. S. Gowanlock, J. Gregson, P. Hackett, G. Hall, P. Hammond, B. Harvey, A. Haworth, B. Haydock, M. Hesmondhalgh, B. Hitchen, J. Houlden, D. Howard, E. M. Hughes, M. E. Hull, A. Ireland, E. Jessop, K. Lovisa, A. Marsden, S. Mayor, A. Meakin, J. Miller, D. Mitchell, J. Oliver, P. Oliver, H. R. Parr, A. E. Pilkington, B. A. Pilkington, A. M. Pritchard, J. Quinn, D. A. Riding, J. Riding, M. A. Rigby, S. M. Robinson, W. Robinson, M. Robson, M. H. Rowlands, E. Rutledge, A. Salt, M. Sample, L. Sanderson, P. M. Semple, M. Sharples, J. Sherlock, I. Shuttleworth, J. Singleton, M. Stewart, C. Sumner, M. Sutcliffe, S. J. Tanner, B. Unwin, G. Waddecar, M. Waddington, M. Ward, J. Whitehead, J. Whittle, C. Wilford, J. Wilkinson, R. M. Wilson, M. Worrell.

To University of London :—

Topping, G., Kevill, D. N.

To University of Liverpool :—

June P. Cairns.

To University of Manchester :—

Jean Ritchie, L. Sinfield.

To University of Birmingham :—

Jean Turner, Ackers, B. H.

To University of Sheffield :—

Mather, K., Smalley, A.

To University of Nottingham :—

Hurst, D. W., Ainsworth, R. R.

To University College, Hull :—

Smith, K. R.

To Manchester College of Technology :—

Walton, R.

To Training College for Teachers :—

M. Wrathall (Didsbury) ; J. Walmsley (Whitelands) ; E. Singleton, M. Swindlehurst (Southlands) ; J. M. Standen (Stafford) ; J. M. Higham (Sunderland) ; E. Jessop, H. Towers (Edge Hill) ; A. H. Rigby, S. B. Lees, E. Walmsley, I. Pilbrough (Thornbridge Hall) ; C. Sumner (Wentworth Castle) ; G. Hall (Gloucester College of Domestic Science).

To State Scholarships :—

A. Singleton, Topping, G., Kevill, D. N.

Stanning Memorial Awards, 1953 :—

Kelsall, D., and Kelsall, K. (Manchester University).



SCHOOL CRICKET XI, 1953

Back row : (left to right) Ogden (scorer), Green, Parker, Harrison, Walmsley, Knowles, Smith.
 Front row : (left to right) Wright, Walton, Walsh, Smalley, Kevill.
 Played 10 Won 7 Drawn 1 Lost 2



SCHOOL RU
 Back row : (left to right) Mr. Morgan, Hall, R...
 Front row : (left to right) Topping,
 Played 21



SCHOOL ROUNDERS IX, 1953

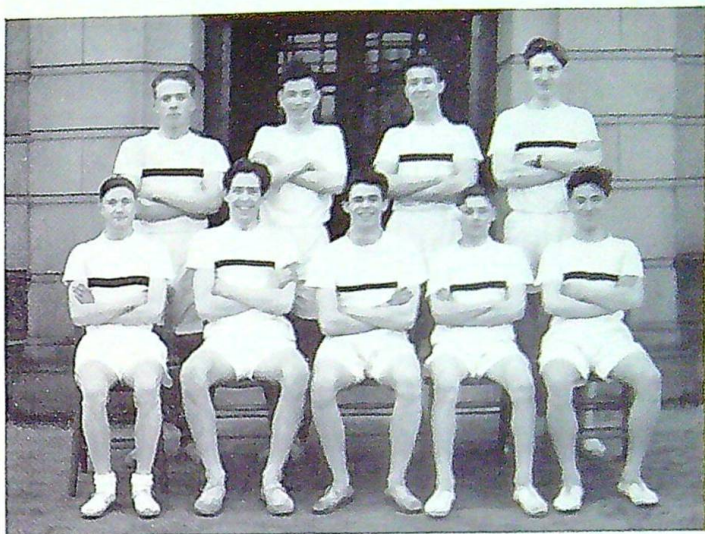
Back row : (left to right) M. Allison, M. Bamber, I. Ward, S. Mayor.
 Front row : (left to right) M. L. Marland, J. M. Higham, B. Kenyon, K. Hosker, M. M. Maidment.
 Played 3 Won 2 Lost 1



SCHOOL HC
 Back row : (left to right) M. M. Maidment, M...
 Front row : (left to right) A. M. Pritchard
 Played 12



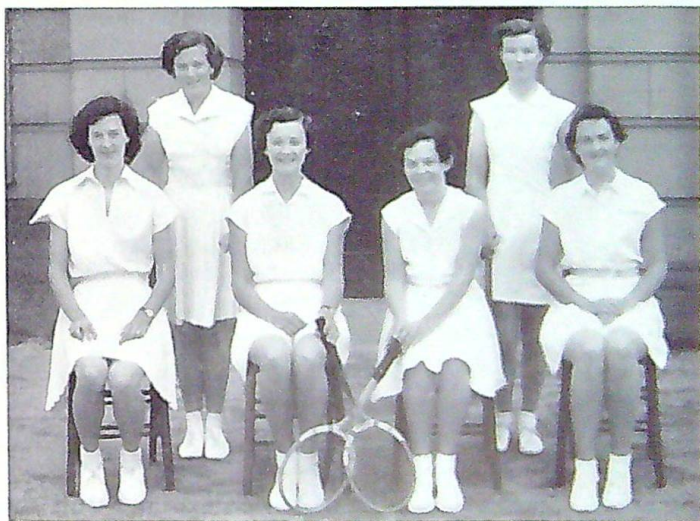
XV, 1952-53
 Green, Harrison, Walton, Marsden, Barnes,
 Smith, Mather, Walsh, Hurst, Ackers.
 12 Lost 9



SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY IX, 1953
 Back row : (left to right) Robinson, P. K., Wright, Marsden, Crofts.
 Front row : (left to right) Robinson, J. K., Harrison, Barnes, Gynes, Lucas.



XI, 1952-53
 Hall, M. Bamber, I. Ward, E. Taylor, E. Riding,
 Ward, J. M. Brooks, K. Hosker, B. Kenyon.
 9 Lost 3



SCHOOL TENNIS VI, 1953
 Back row : (left to right) M. Wrathall, P. M. Barker.
 Front row : (left to right) P. M. Semple, J. M. Brooks, M. E. Hull, J. Walmsley,
 Played 5 Won 4 Lost 1

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1953

(a) Winners of " Knock-Out " Cups :—

RUGBY FOOTBALL	(WINNERS OF THE 'WANKLYN' CUP)	CLAYTON.
HOCKEY	.... .	FARINGTON.
CRICKET	.... .	FARINGTON.
ROUNDERS	.... .	CUERDEN.
TENNIS	.... .	CUERDEN.
ATHLETIC SPORTS	.... .	FARINGTON.
RELAYS	.... .	WORDEN.
CROSS-COUNTRY	.... .	FARINGTON.

(b) Winners of League Championship Shields :—

RUGBY FOOTBALL	.... .	CLAYTON.
HOCKEY	.... .	FARINGTON.
CRICKET	.... .	FARINGTON.
ROUNDERS	.... .	CUERDEN.
TENNIS	.... .	FARINGTON and CLAYTON.

SCHOOL ORDER OF MERIT

Autumn Term, 1952	.... .	FARINGTON.
Spring Term, 1953	.... .	WORDEN.
Midsummer Term, 1953	.... .	FARINGTON.

Winners of the " Silver Griffin " awarded by the Old Boys' Association for Scholastic Merit :—

1952-1953	FARINGTON.
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RECORD OF SCHOOL TEAMS, 1952-53

			P.	W.	D.	L.
Cricket	1st XI	10	7	1	2
Rounders	1st IX	3	2	—	1
Tennis	1st VI	.... .	5	4	—	1
Hockey	1st XI	.... .	12	9	—	3
Rugby Football	1st XV	.... .	21	12	—	9

ATHLETICS

Winner of Victor Ludorum Cup, 1953	..... Smith, K. R. (Clayton).
Winner of Victrix Ludorum Cup, 1953	..... E. Taylor (Clayton).
Head of Batting Averages, 1953	..... Walmsley, J. R. (Clayton).
Head of Bowling Averages, 1953	..... Parker, C. (Farington).

SCHOOL COLOURS, 1952-53

Rugby Football	....	Topping, G., Hurst, D. W., Ackers, B. H., Mather, K., Smith, K. R., Walsh, J., Bamford, M. H.
Hockey	....	J. M. Brooks, M. M. Maidment, B. Kenyon.
Athletics	....	Smith, K. R., E. Taylor, J. M. Brooks.
Cross-Country	....	Owen, D. A., Barnes, B.
Cricket	....	Mather, K., Walsh, J., Walton, R., Walmsley, J. R., Parker, C., Knowles, J. E.
Rounders	....	B. Kenyon, J. M. Higham.
Tennis	....	J. M. Brooks, J. Walmsley, P. M. Semple, M. E. Hull.

CHOSEN TO PLAY FOR :

Lancashire County XV : Smith, K. R.

Lancashire County R.U.F.C. Trials : Smith, K. R., Waring, J. M.

Lancashire Schoolboys XV v. Cheshire Schoolboys XV : Smith, K. R., Mather, K., Hurst, D. W.

North Lancashire Schoolboys XV v. South Lancashire Schoolboys XV : Smith, K. R., Mather, K., Hurst, D. W.

Mid-Lancashire Schoolboys XV v. North West Lancashire Schoolboys XV : Smith, K. R., Mather, K., Hurst, D. W.

Preston Grasshoppers Public Schools XV v. Fylde Public Schools XV : Smith, K. R., Mather, K., Hurst, D. W., Topping, G., Walsh, J.

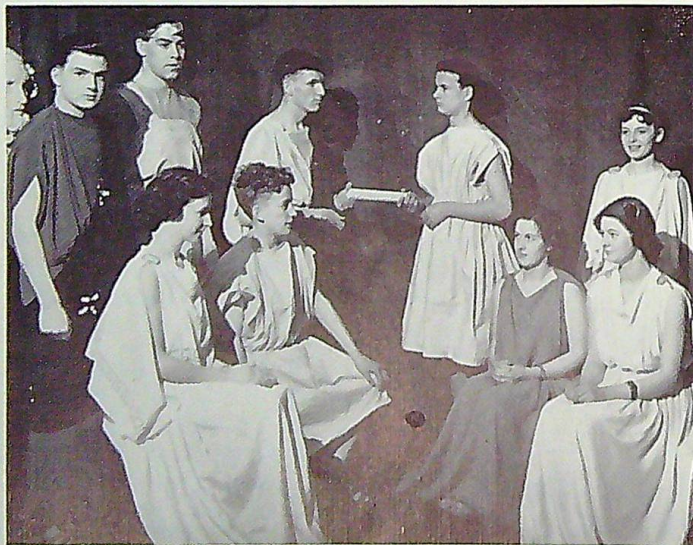
SCHOOL PREFECTS & SUB-PREFECTS, 1952-53

BOYS.	Head Prefect	....	Topping, G.
	Prefects	....	Smith, K. R., Mather, K., Walsh, J., Ackers, B. H., Smalley, A., Kevill, D. N., Walton, R.
	Sub-Prefects	....	Ainsworth, R. R., Bamford, M. H., Hurst, D. W., Gill, A., Barnes, B., Robinson, P. K.
GIRLS.	Head Prefect	....	B. Ward.
	Prefects	....	G. Hall, E. Singleton, C. G. Sumner.
	Sub-Prefects	....	J. M. Brooks, J. M. Higham, A. J. Salt, A. Singleton, H. Towers, J. Walmsley, B. D. Baybutt, J. P. Cairns, B. M. Fletcher, E. Walmsley, M. Swindlehurst, J. M. Standen, J. Turner, M. Wrathall, A. H. Rigby, P. M. Leach, A. M. Pritchard, E. J. Fleischmann, P. M. James, J. Ritchie, A. F. Brennand, S. B. Lees, D. B. Bailey, A. Arthurs, L. Sinfield.

"AMBROSE APPLEJOHN'S ADVENTURE"
March 23rd, 24th and 25th, 1950.



Crew : "Another Ace !"
TRANSLATION OF SOPHOCLES' ANTIGONE
and
"PYGMALION AND GALATEA" (W. S. Gilbert)
March 15th, 16th and 17th, 1951.



Chrysos (G. Topping), Leucippus (B. Barr), Pygmalion (M. A. Chapman), Mimos (B. H. Ackers),
Myrine (A. Salt), Galatea (A. J. Bradley), Agesimos (D. Bullon), Daphne (M. Riding), Cynisca
(A. J. Todd)

" A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM "
March 27th, 28th and 29th, 1952.



Bottom : " I could play 'Eracles rarely.' "
(Starveling, D. W. Stanbridge ; Flute, R. T. Egerton ; Snout, G. T. Pritchard ;
Bottom, J. Singleton ; Quince, J. K. Robinson ; Snug, A. E. Hall).



Titania : " Nod to him, elves, and do him courtesies. "
(Titania, A. Salt ; Fairies, E. Hayes, B. Grimwood, J. Burrell, M. Johnson).

"ROMEO AND JULIET"
MARCH 26th, 27th and 28th, 1953.



"O, father, hear me, I beseech you!"
Lady Capulet (G. Hall), Capulet (J. Harrison), Juliet (A. J. Salt) and Nurse (A. Marsden).



"O brother Montague, give me thy hand."
Friar (R. R. Ainsworth), Watchmen (J. E. Knowles, P. K. Robinson), Capulet (J. Harrison), Prince (J. Walsh), Montague (I. Ogden), Lady Capulet (G. Hall), Abraham (J. R. Crofts), Page (C. J. B. Wilford), Balchasar (G. T. Pritchard), Juliet (A. J. Salt), Romeo (G. Topping).

