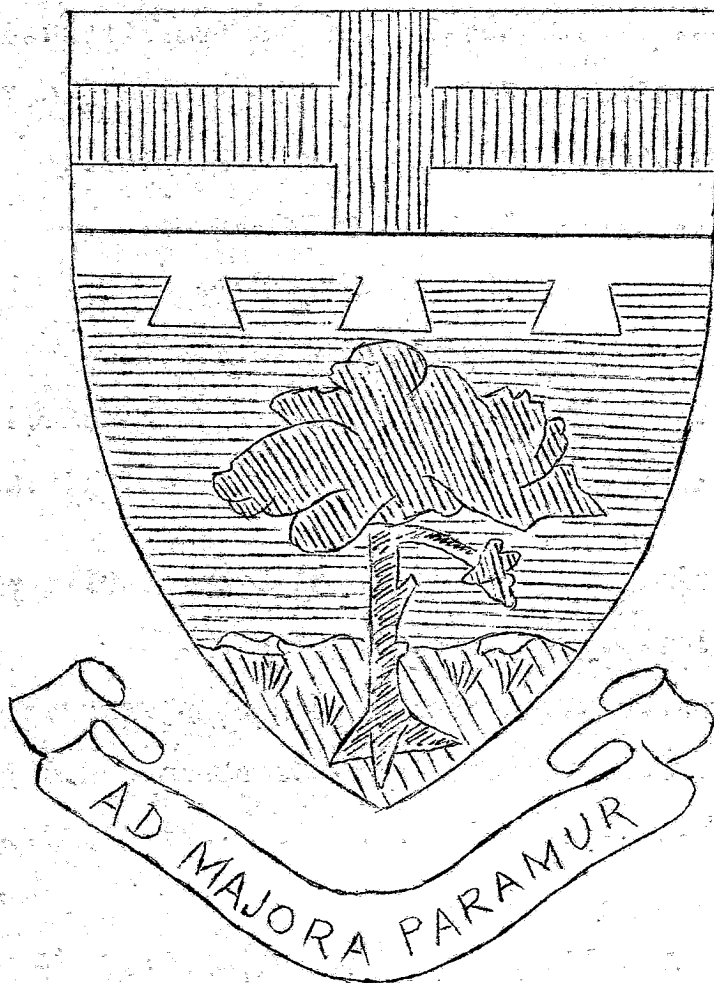


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STAFF and OFFICIALS - SCHOOL YEAR 1959-1960

Headmaster..... V.Rev.Fr.L.Bede Johnson.C.J.,B.A.

Assistant & Form 3.. Rev.Fr.A.Francis Owen.C.J.

Bursar..... Rev.Fr.B.Aidan Rossiter.C.J.

Form 4 & Organist... Rev.Fr.A.William Carter.C.J.,B.A.

Physical Training... Rev.Fr.J.David Kean.C.J.

Form 2..... Miss S.Newman.

Form 1..... Miss M.Alexander.

Music..... H.Taylor.Esq., A.R.C.O.

Matron..... Miss C.A.Lafferty. N.N.E.B.,R.S.C.N.

Medical Officer..... Dr.F.G.Booker. M.R.C.S.,L.R.C.P.

School Captains..... P.Rust, C.Simpson, P.Ollivere.

House Captains..... P.Rust, C.Simpson.

Vice-Captains..... D.Ronald, C.Martin, T.Proulx.

Librarians..... A.Eckford, S.Kolesar, K.May.

Indoor Games..... J.Beedham, P.Rambridge, T.Visick.

Captain of Rugby..... C.Simpson.

Captain of Football. J.Bennett.

Heads of Dormitories: C.Simpson, C.Martin, P.Ollivere,
C.O'Grady, C.Illing, P.Rust, A.Moore,
P.Rossiter, J.Vassallo, M.Venables.

In the midst of the fields
On the brow of the hill
Where the buttercup yields
Both beautiful and still.

When it bends in the breeze
Its bright petals do flutter,
With the rustling trees
As the birds sing and twitter.

As she scatters her seeds
The winds make them pass;
The same happens with weeds
As they hide in the grass.

When spring roams again
The seeds are sweet flowers.
And again clucks the hen
At the chimes from the towers.

So the buttercup multiplies
Making more every year,
And it watches the skies
Till dusk doth appear.

FIREWORKS

This year again there was a very large quantity of fireworks to be disposed of and in spite of somewhat doubtful weather conditions we were able to enjoy a very fine display. There were many rockets both large and small and an enormous quantity of Roman Candles and large Catherine Wheels together with hundreds of smaller fireworks of different kinds.

In the middle of things great excitement and amusement was created by a spark setting alight to a box of bangers and jumping jacks.

Next year November 5th will fall during the half-term holiday, and so you will be able to have your own private display at home.

We were very pleased to see the following Old Boys who paid us a visit during the term: J. Mathe, A. McGrath, D. White, A. Gillham, C. Pike, C. Durant, M. Dowden, J. Lear, T. O'Grady, J. Bagwell.

CHAPEL

During the past twelve months there have been many changes in the Barrow Hills Chapel: A new organ, new benches, new window, new side altars. And then, this term we suddenly found one day that the chandeliers had vanished. Where now does the light come from? Far up in the ceiling behind the beams powerful lights shine down and give the whole chapel a good diffused light.

Only a couple of weeks later a new sanctuary lamp appeared. This now hangs from above right over the thurifer's head. It is a magnificent large brass one.

MODEL RAILWAY

There have been one or two additions to the Model Railway this term. One of the circuits has had an overhead system added with an 0-4-0 Loco operating pantograph. We have also been given two new engines: A 1,000 B.H.P. Bo-Bo Diesel Electric Locomotive and the "Denbigh Castle". Some twenty five members of the fourth and third forms joined the Club and have had many hours of amusement operating the system.

BILLIARDS

The Billiards Table presented last year by Mr. and Mrs. David Wright was put in the fourth form and this has been reserved for the exclusive use of the members of that form who joined the Club.

The other table in the lobby has been reserved for the use of third form members of the Club. It is intended to run a competition next term between the two forms.

THE DERELICT CASTLE by B. W-W.

Our readers will remember that in our last issue B. W-W started to write a serial for us. When asked for his next instalment he informed the editor that he had been liquidated while making investigations during the course of his story and so was unable to complete what he had started. Perhaps pressure of work (now that he is in the third form) and time given to rugby practice has something to do with this!!

PROGRAMMEI. Carols.

1. This is the Truth sent from above.
2. Once in Royal David's city.
3. Sing Lullaby.
4. In dulci jubilo.
5. The Angel Gabriel.
6. While Shepherds watched.
7. What is this fragrance? (solo).
8. Rocking.
9. The twelve days of Christmas.
10. We wish you a merry Christmas.

II. Pinocchio.The Cast

Antonio....M.Newton.	Pinocchio....J.Cassidy.
Gepetto....P.Rossiter.	Narrator....M.Baynham.
Cricket....A.McMillan.	Candlewick...R.O'Hara.
Old clothes	Fire-eater...A.Bywater.
man...D.Mascall.	Fox.....S.Ambrose.
Coachman...W.Bemister.	Cat.....C.Coxwell.
Ringmaster.A.Drobinski.	
Coachman's Assistants.....A.O'Sullivan, J.Harvey.	
Circus Attendants.....A.Carroll, A.Russell.	
Circus Performers.....P.deNahlik, A.Moore, J.Ray,	
	S.Harbord, M.Shea.
Puppets..... M.Kedzior, S.Baynham, J.Vassallo.	
Circus Audience.....J.Terry, C.Pike, C.Steele,	
	M.Venables.
Crowd outside theatre.....R.Barr, C.Baynham, D.Calnan,	
	J.Palfreman, A.Wickins.
Boys going to Land of	M.Maguire, M.Sloper, J.Evans,
Plenty...J.Fleming, B.Moore, M.Hurst,	
	J.Rickcord, M.Ashcroft.

A few rousing choruses interspersed by some solo work from Michael Rambridge, Andrew Collins, Nicholas Crisell and Brian Wootton-Woolley, formed the traditional first half of the Christmas Concert. The choir, under Mr. Taylor's persevering guidance, scored their greatest triumph in the "Twelve Days of Christmas".

Then up went the curtain and there on the stage was Michael Newton soon joined by Paul Rossiter while

from the wings came a mysterious voice. The owner of the voice presently appeared and from now to the end hardly ever left the stage. John Cassidy was the owner, looking and acting very like a puppet indeed. And this was not very surprising really because this was just what Pinocchio was supposed to be.

Sound advice was offered in plenty by Talking Cricket and Andrew McMillan made sure that we all heard quite easily because he spoke very loudly and clearly, and always towards the audience. Nor did he ever forget his signature tune cric! cric! whenever he left the stage.

Outside the Puppet Theatre (in very desirable surroundings, to judge from the backdrop) Robert Barr gave us an instructive lesson on how to read, and inside the theatre Mark Kedzior played quite naturally the part of a shrieking puppet. Meanwhile there was a furtive second-hand dealer lurking ominously at odd corners, waiting to enrich himself from the fact that we all at all times are desperately short of ready money. This villain was David Mascal.

But there were more and yet more rascals to come. Stephen Ambrose, Charles Coxwell and Raymond O'Hara, rascals of course only for the purpose of the play, were there with their glib tongues and specious promises. No wonder poor Pinocchio was led astray and alas! grew into a great big donkey with great big ears to match.

And so we came to the most spectacular scene of all, the circus. So much was going on all at the same time that we couldn't possibly watch everything, especially as some brightly dressed clowns were down among the audience, bouncing balloons on bald heads.

After the crowded movement of this scene, the narrator, Michael Baynham, chilled our spines by hinting at dark horrors of the sea. The lights dimmed and we saw Pinocchio reunited at last with his father (Paul Rossiter) inside a shark's well-appointed interior. After more adventures came the happy ending with Pinocchio, the puppet, turning into a real boy. There was a mirror, produced sometimes with difficulty, to prove this.

As the actors poured on to the stage at the end for their well-merited applause, the size of the job that had been done became apparent. Over forty people to train for

their parts, over forty colourful costumes to cut and to stitch, a huge backdrop to paint, stage and seating to transport and set up, electric lighting to fix.... Miss Newman and Miss Alexander must have been glad when the show was over, but their patient work was richly rewarded. Fathers Francis and Aidan did the heavier jobs.

The Saturday performance was seen by ninety visitors; on the Sunday there were one hundred and thirty. A total audience of two hundred and twenty coming from the families and friends of only ninety boys, some of whose families are at the moment far away overseas, is the sort of strong support that we are accustomed to. We may take it for granted but all the same we say a sincere 'thank you' for it to all our visitors.

Fr. William.

Our thanks are also due to Fr. William for the time he gave up to accompany the choir not only during the final performances but also during the many hours of practice.

NATURE NOTES

During the term many parts of the property became overridden by moles and so a team consisting of P. Hall, A. D'Eon, D. Mascall and B. Wootton-Woolley decided to make it their business to exterminate these pests. And very successful they were too. In a short period they captured over 16 moles. Nor were they content with just capturing these animals. With no apparent experience and with only boys' penknives they skillfully skinned their catches. I have even seen a boy with needle and thread making the skins into purses!!

BIRDS

by Joan Youle.

One of my favourite bird legends is the story of the wagtail and the Flight into Egypt. It is said that while the Holy Family were crossing the desert, a quail saw them and betrayed their whereabouts by calling "quic-ic-ic - there they go! there they go!" But a small pied wagtail heard the call echoing over the land and arrived in swift undulating flight. With its long tail it swept the sand over the footsteps of Joseph and the donkey, so that their tracks were completely covered. Mary put a curse on the

quail and condemned it to skim the surface of the earth for ever. But she blessed the wagtail and promised it her protection. Anyone watching a wagtail running backwards and forwards, its tail fanning up and down, can well imagine how this story arose: and the quail does indeed fly low and has a ventriloquial call.

Bird fantasies based on the crucifixion each stress some distinctive feature. The wren with its extraordinarily loud "tuc-tuc" betrayed Our Lord to his enemies in the Garden; the crossbill acquired its strong twisted beak through trying to tug the nails from the Cross, and was given its rosy colours as a reward. The robin got its red breast from wrestling with the crown of thorns.

There are many references in English Literature to birds, particularly Robins, officiating at funerals. It was considered extremely unlucky the "pious bird with the scarlet breast." The robin's kindly solicitude for the dead sprang from its inquisitiveness about strange objects, its sudden appearances where there is freshly turned earth and the belief that it followed travellers through the forest, where it was no doubt collecting moss and leaves as nesting material.

The Legend of St. Kevin and the blackbird is well known. Blackbirds are notorious for building low and close to buildings, and it is not surprising that when St. Kevin, in prayer and meditation, held his hand outstretched through a window of his hut, it should have been a blackbird which alighted there and built a nest (so that the kind-hearted Saint, not wishing to disturb her, stayed with his hand cupped for her, till her eggs were laid and her young hatched out.

FRANK TYSON

Thanks to the kindness of Mr. Bemister we were able to have Mr. Frank Tyson, the England fast bowler, down to talk to us on fast bowling. He showed us how to get a ball to swing in both directions and encouraged us to put everything we had into our cricket next season.

He also very kindly showed us a colour film on the four test matches played against Australia last time. This, together with his won commentary and many slides, took over an hour. We thank Mr. Tyson for coming, for he explained everything to us so simply that we are sure we can all be first-class fast bowlers now.

Here we are at the end of our second season and our results are beyond all our expectations: Played 5, Won 4, Lost 1. The competition to get into the XV was tremendous and I could afford to be ruthless - only those who could stand the pace played in the scrum and unless you were a safe hard tackler and would pass you could not play among the outsiders.

Owing to the smallness of our threequarters I decided that the scrum must be prepared to bear the brunt of the work. Some of last year's 'passed-overs' improved beyond recognition, especially P.Rust, M.Rowlatt and M.Cooper who, together with P.Hall formed a very sound hardworking core which never failed to give our opponents the maximum of discomfort. J.Mascall hooked well and played his part readily enough in the loose while T.Proulx kept an eagle eye on things, harrassing in the open and hunting with zest all over the field. M.Knops was good and steady though a little lost on finding himself in possession. D. Randall, though only just over 10, played in the last two games and showed that he could play as hard as any. Both S.Kolesar and M.Stacy have played but found the pace rather too hot.

At scrum half P.Ollivere had a slow start but was soon giving C.Simpson a good service. All credit to them for the hours of practice they put in together. C.Simpson, a powerful and fast fly half, provided his $\frac{3}{4}$ s with a very reasonable share of the ball, though finding it difficult at times not to go away on his own.

C.Martin and B.Wootton-Woolley were both penetrating and fast in the centre while on the right wing M.Standing played a valiant game often against heavy odds. Our left wing was a bit of a headache until C.O'Grady showed that he could be a little demon when challenged even at the age of ten. D.Ronald had a chequered career being used as a stop-gap, but ended up as full back where he did good work by sensible falling on the ball and kicking.

In defence the team was excellent, the outsiders excelling in covering up not only their own very rare lapses but also those of the forwards. Their tackling was really first class.

Well done indeed! You have been a credit to Barrow Hills and I thank you all very sincerely for being so patient when I have sometimes been very far from it! I have enjoyed the season as much as I am sure you have and those faithful parents and friends who have followed us.

9 Sat. Oct. 31st. ST. GEORGE'S COLLEGE. Away. Won: 17-0

Once again the season's fixtures began with a match against the College. The result was somewhat of a shock! With only three of last year's team and with most of the others playing rugby for the first time in their lives I had hoped we would give them a reasonable game but certainly never expected to win. We hope, in this game to discover our faults and failings especially under pressure, but this was not to be unfortunately.

The forwards played an excellent game, maintaining last year's high standard of binding tightly in the loose and so giving the backs a very good share of the ball. Unfortunately our halves were not connecting properly, and when they did Simpson was given too free a hand resulting in starvation for the threequarters. Simpson himself scored four of our five tries, Wootton-Woolley scoring the other.

The outsides tackled well and were quick to move up in defence giving their opponents no scope. I was especially pleased with the work of the smaller members, Michael Standing and Brian Wootton-Woolley, who, though very light, never missed their man.

There were many penalties on both sides and here we lost valuable advantages and ground. We were far too slow in falling back and facing the kick and were often out of position. When the kick was ours too much time was lost in taking the kick and so allowing our opponents to reorganise.

A very satisfactory start! But, BEWARE! How are we going to fare under pressure?

Team: R. Dowden; D. Ronald, B. Wootton-Woolley, C. Martin, M. Standing; C. Simpson, P. Ollivere; P. Hall, J. Mascall, S. Kolesar, M. Knops, M. Rowlatt, M. Cooper, P. Rust, T. Proulx.

Sat. Nov. 14th. ST. JOHN'S, BEAUMONT. Away. Lost: 3-11

A very good game and most enjoyable to watch. Three or four of our team had not had a very happy journey but fortunately found their feet fairly quickly. Those first precious ten minutes gave St. John's 8 valuable points.

It was soon evident that they had a well-trained back division which excelled in direction changing, and but for some valiant tackling by Simpson, Wootton-Woolley, Martin and Standing would have piled up a handsome total of points. The first try came from a loose maul under our posts when four of our forwards stood and watched!!

The second came from a very nice threequarter movement which left us looking a little foolish. And so at half time we were 8 points down and I would say lucky it was so little.

It was imperative that their backs must not gain possession of the ball. Could our forwards stop them? During the second half our forwards really did a very fine job of work. Whipped on by support from parents and friends they drove the St. John's forwards relentlessly round the field and our wing forwards gave their halves neither room nor time to move. After several minutes of incessant pounding at their line there was a scrum five yards from the line and a very fast heel allowed our scrum half (P.Ollivere) to nip round the blind and over before anyone knew what had happened. Towards the end of the game they did the same to us!

Every credit must be given to the pack - I did not think they had it in them - for they gave our smaller threequarters a well-earned respite in this second half. Outside the scrum the marking of both sides was beyond reproach and we covered up a serious weakness on our left wing, which was wide open, very successfully. Well done all and let's hope the return game is as good.

Team: D.Ronald; T.Calnan, B.Wootton-Woolley, C.Martin, M.Standing; C.Simspon, P.Ollivere; P.Hall, J.Mascall, S.Kolesar, M.Knops, M.Rowlatt, M.Cooper, P.Rust, T.Proulx.

Sat. Nov. 21st. ST. GEORGE'S COLLEGE. Home. Won: 27-3

Somehow the team appeared confident - unless the College had worked wonders there seemed nothing to worry about. We had been practising very hard but were somewhat awed to find the College team practically a new one. We had decided to let our threequarters have a go in this game and very soon Simpson had scored twice and Martin once. The scrum had little difficulty in dealing with the opposition whose only salvation was the accurate defensive kicking of their scrum half.

But why the pack suddenly decided to keep the ball to itself I do not know. For 20 minutes of the second half it was a forward battle during which T.Proulx scored twice. Then in the last few minutes the ball again came out and Wootton-Woolley scored twice. Simpson's converting was good getting two long diagonal shots & a shorter one.

There is little to say; my only adverse comment is: There is not enough directive given to the forwards. They are taking the ball yards down the pitch and then seem to be lost. This is the point where we must have a quick heel and let the threequarters do their work, and very well they can do it too when given the chance.

It was very nice to see so many parents and friends taking such an interest in the team and this is a great source of encouragement to them I know. I thank you all.
Team: D.Ronald; C.O'Grady, B.Wootton-Woolley, C.Martin, M.Standing; C.Simspon, P.Ollivere; P.Hall, J.Mascall, M.Knops, M.Rowlatt, M.Stacy, M.Cooper, P.Rust, T.Proulx.

Sat. Nov. 28th. ST. JOHN'S, BEAUMONT. Home. Won: 3-0

A remarkable game played under appalling conditions! The rain poured down relentlessly the whole game. The ground, the players, the valiant group of spectators were all soaked! (Are we right to bring up these children to be as crazy as we were?) However, everyone seemed to enjoy it. Needless to say the game became a forward struggle; and struggle it was, for St. John's had done something to their pack since our last meeting. Where previously we had had the better of things forward it was not until the last minutes of the game that we began to get the better of them. It was level-pegging for most of the game with our opponents getting the advantage in the set scrums. It was indeed fortunate for us that conditions were so wet for our threequarters were no match for theirs. The only try came at the beginning of the second half when P. Rust decided to change direction very suddenly giving C. Simpson the ball to go over near the corner flag with the rest of the field virtually still going the other way.

The last ten minutes saw our forwards pounding non-stop at their line much as they had done to ours in the first half; but then we were fresh and withstood the onslaught. Once again our forwards deserve great praise for the way they played without flagging in such conditions. They must be fitter than I thought. Nevertheless I marvel at the way the backs handled that ball. It was perhaps lack of foothold rather than lack of handhold that prevented the St. John's threequarters from scoring.

Team: D. Ronald; C. O'Grady, B. Wootton-Woolley, C. Martin, M. Standing; C. Simpson, P. Ollivere; P. Hall, J. Mascall, M. Knops, M. Rowlatt, D. Randall, M. Cooper, P. Rust, T. Pro

Our last game and at last our forwards met their match. Rarely did we heel the ball in the scrums and we could only just hold them in the loose. But it was soon evident that we were more than a match for them outside. Although they got the ball from the scrums they invariably lost ground as their fly-half was much too far back and together with his threequarters took the ball standing still and so were easy preys to the very fast marking of all our threequarters. When our threequarters did get the ball they were normally given a grand start by Simpson who sent the whole line moving very nicely. The passing and handling was excellent. At half-time the score was 11 - 3. Two tries were scored by our wing $\frac{3}{4}$ s O'Grady and Standing and a third by C. Simpson.

In the second half Martin, Simpson and Proulx got one try each. Throughout the game our forwards, playing very hard, found it a little difficult to adjust themselves against a heavier and better pack, often being caught on the wrong side of a loose scrum. However, it was good to see the $\frac{3}{4}$ s having things their own way for a change. We must not belittle the work of the forwards: they had a stiff task and always managed to keep things under control.

Team: D. Ronald; C. O'Grady, B. Wootton-Woolley, C. Martin, M. Standing; C. Simpson, P. Ollivere; P. Hall, J. Mascall, M. Knops, M. Rowlatt, D. Randall, M. Cooper, P. Rust, T. Proulx.

HOUSE MATCHES

The Inter-House Rugger Cup was won by MURTOUGH. Although on paper they had a very formidable side very great credit must be given to the KEAN forwards for the terrific fight they put up. In the first game they got the ball back and were overwhelmed by the Murtough outsiders in spite of the fanatical tackling of M. Standing, P. Ollivere & B. Wootton-Woolley and so lost the game 3-21.

In the second game Kean kept the ball in the scrum and one of the fiercest games I have ever witnessed took place. M. Rowlatt, P. Rust, D. Randall & M. Cooper literally swamped the Murtough scrum and even gave C. Simpson and C. Martin some very rough handling. To make matters worse Kean scored first! Eventually Simpson & Martin made their extra speed tell and only in the dying minutes won the game by 12 points to 6. Two magnificent games!!

FOOTBALL

(Under 11 & 10)

To come through the season without a single victory is rather disheartening after a term's coaching, but perhaps part of the fault is paying too little attention to football skills and too much to positioning.

Having given a point every time a member of the team passed to his own side in such a way that his opponent did not get it, it was evident that we had a losing team.

John Willis, who was a brilliant centre-forward last year had lost the knack of scoring this year. A.Collins, M.Stacy, V.Thompson, P.Taylor, A.Visick, C.Baynham, J.Evans and A.Wickins all have powerful kicks. A.Moore and S.Ambrose both dribble well. R.Dowden, a born footballer, is still much too selfish.

D.Randall, V.Thompson, J.Palfreman proved reliable in goal. S.Mee and A.Russell could be a formidable pair with more speed and determination.

There is no dearth of keenness for the game and most are only too willing to practise. Better luck next year!

J.D.K.

We all owe Fr.David our very grateful thanks for the tremendous amount of time and patience which he has put into the football coaching. In spite of the results all the players seem to have enjoyed their games.

It is only fair to mention that the Rugger did steal two or three of his possible players - certainly if they had played football with anything like the zest with which they played rugger they would have been a very great asset to the Under 11 team.

Our thanks are also due to Fr.Aidan for the way in which he coped with the teas. There were times when the arrangements were changed at a very late hour which must have been very inconvenient to him. We thank him also and Matron for arrangements made for visitors' teas - once again numbers of spectators make things uncertain until the last minute.

A.F.O.

I apologise for the fact that so much of this Journal appears to be given up to sport; but games have been a major activity this term arousing great interest.

Sat. Oct. 17th. FARLEIGH HOUSE (u. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$) Away. Lost: 2-3.

Having won the toss we decided to take advantage of the wind and slope. Within the first few minutes Farleigh House shot a ball at the goal, our goalie aimed a kick at it and missed, resulting in a goal. From then on we attacked aggressively without effect. Towards the end of the first half a penalty was awarded against us in our area but without result. J. Willis followed this up with a masterful shot at goal from a Randall centre making the score one all at half-time.

During the second half our opponents attacked our goal with long shots, the gale-force winds aiding them. All these shots were saved by Randall who had taken over in the goal from Stacy. In spite of the wind and slope we were in our opponents half most of the time and Willis scored an even more masterly goal. Then Randall made a grave mistake. He took a goal kick and put the ball at his opponents' feet, and taking advantage of this elementary mistake they rammed the ball home, making the score 3-2.

Team: S. Ambrose, J. Bennett, G. Carroll, S. Mee, A. Moore, C. O'Grady, D. Randall, A. Russell, M. Stacy, P. Taylor, J. Willis (captain).

Wed. Oct. 28th. BARFIELD (u. 10) Home. Draw: 0-0

We were given the choice of ends and decided to play up the slope. The sides soon appeared to be evenly matched but with the aid of the slope and wind most of the first half saw our opponents on the attack. Towards the end of the half we took the offensive and almost scored.

The second half was almost a repeat of the first with the roles reversed. At the end, when we were finally on the defensive again, we were aided by an intruder - a poodle - which decided to join in the fray. The final score was 0-0.

Bennett fed his forwards well. Evans with his hard kicking and Rossi with his manoeuvring put up an excellent defence. C. Baynham (the youngest boy in the school) was a real terrier. A. Moore excelled himself in his passes. And Russell played better as a goalie than as centre-forward.

Team: C. Baynham, J. Bennett (captain), D. Calnan, A. Carroll, J. Evans, S. Mee, A. Moore, J. Palfreman, J. Pike, D. Rossi, A. Russell.

Wed. Nov. 4th. ST. PETER'S. (u.10) Home. Lost: 0-1

The first half had not been going long before St. Peter's left wing had the ball in the goal only to find that he was off-side. From then on it was anybody's game. We missed two open goals and they were again off-side. Then one of our men centred in his own half and our opponents, taking advantage of this weakness scored. 1-0.

After half-time we constantly pressed home the attack but again twice failed to score before an open goal; the main object appeared to be to kick at the goalie. Just as our opponents were being most harrassed the whistle blew for no-side.

There was a marked improvement in passing but the left wing was very weak. Rossiter and Evans played very well but Calnan and Moore. A. must see that the ball does not rebound to their disadvantage.

Team: C. Baynham, J. Bennett (captain), D. Calnan, J. Evans, J. Fleming, S. Mee, A. Moore, J. Palfreman, P. Rossiter, A. Russell, M. Sloper.

Sat. Nov. 14th. CRANLEIGH (u.10) Home. Lost: 0-4

Barrow Hills won the toss, but it was soon evident that Cranleigh had a forward who could dribble well and kick hard, and this man kept on getting through and potting at our goal. On the other hand our centre-forward had decided to play behind our centre-half, and so when we got the ball it was passed to a ghost centre-forward that would not play ball. It was not long before Cranleigh had scored two goals.

At half-time the positions of the team were changed but there was still no cohesion: the halves all became backs. We got the ball to our forwards but the wings were playing as halves. Cranleigh scored two more goals.

The jig-saw puzzle of having to choose eleven players out of forty under 10s and putting them into positions so that there would be co-ordination between them had not proved successful.

Team: S. Baynham, J. Bennett, D. Calnan, J. Evans, S. Mee, A. Moore, R. O'hara, J. Palfreman, P. Rossiter, A. Russell, M. Sloper.

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Wed. Nov. 18th. BRANKSOME-HILDERS. (u.11) Home. Lost: 0-8

Taking advantage of the slope we twice looked as if we would score but nothing came of it. Then Branksome-Hilders attacked and the ball was lobbed out of reach of the goalie. This was soon followed by a second goal. After several more abortive attempts to score on our part it was half-time.

During the second half our opponents pressed hard and scored two more goals, one of our backs defending too near our goal the whole time. But our side never appeared disheartened. We continued to press their goalie every now and then without success.

We lost mainly because the backs, instead of attacking, waited in the penalty area for our opponents to attack. Thompson, the new goalie kicked hard and saved any goals that could have been saved. Stacy used his speed but frequently kicked aimlessly. Visick provided a strong defence. But two backs and one goalie are a better defence than one back and two goalies.

Team: S. Ambrose, J. Bennett, G. Carroll, N. Crisell, D. Randall, P. Shields, M. Stacy, P. Taylor, J. Willis (captain), T. Visick, P. Scammell.

Sat. Nov. 21st. FARLEIGH HOUSE. (u.11) Home. Draw: 2-2

Having had our usual good fortune of winning the toss we played up the slope. It was not long before our left half, Visick, had the ball bang in the goal from a kick outside the area. Our forward line, especially the wings, then continued the attack but made no headway - there was no one in the centre to shoot in the passes. Then the tables were turned and Farleigh House scored a neat goal. Soon we had an indirect kick in the goal area which, taken by Bennett, was deflected by two of our opponents into their own goal.

The second half saw us pressing strongly, but every now and then our opponents got through our defence. Then our goalie failed to get both hands to the ball and it went into the net making the game a draw.

Dowden captained well but failed to keep to his wing. Evans played his usual defensive game as left back but has yet to realise that the best defence is attack. Collins excelled himself on the wing with his centres. Bennett passed well but Willis appears to have lost his knack of fighting his way into the goal mouth.

Team: S.Ambrose, J.Bennett, G.Carroll, R.Dowden (captain),
J.Evans, P.Scammell, P.Shields, V.Thompson, T.Visick,
J.Willis, A.Moore.

Wed. Nov. 25th. BARFIELD. (u.10) Away. Lost: 0-7

There is littel I can say about this match except that no team can expect win win unless its players keep their positions. The passing was good; most attacked well; but the left half played on the right of the field if the ball went to the right and vice versa. It was the same with the backs. The goalie was too slow. Plafreman played one of the best games. The wings were inclined to play as halves and the halves as backs. The result was, therefore, a foregone conclusion. Let's hope that the newly constituted team will do better.

Team: J.Bennett (captain), D.Calnan, J.Evans, C.Illing,
A.McMillan, R.O'Hara, J.Palfreman, D.Rossi, A.Russell
P.Rossiter, M.Sloper.

Wed. Dec. 2nd. BRANKSOME-HILDERS. (u.11) Away. Lost: 0-10

Our return match proved the value of our tactics in keeping the backs well up the field, but, though strong, our backs were unreliable and hence the high score against us. Bennett, Willis and Ambrose were well below standard, Palfreman played well and never gave up. Taylor rushed to defend the goal thereby frequently putting the attackers on-side. We were in their penalty area a dozen times but failed to score. The main faults were slowness in tackling and retreating instead of attacking.

Wed. Dec. 9th. FERNDEN. (u.10) Home. Lost: 0-2

Within the first few minutes Fernden scored a goal. This shook us and the team pulled up its socks and attacked. We constantly kicked the ball into their half but there were no forwards to take it on. Fernden soon scored again and we started using arms and hands to save the goals and gave them two more from penalties. One corner, taken by Russell, all but went into the goal but no forward put it in. Mee and Russell could be formidable if they attacked. Our two insides were often behind our backs. Bennett marked the left inside well but when unmarked he got through.

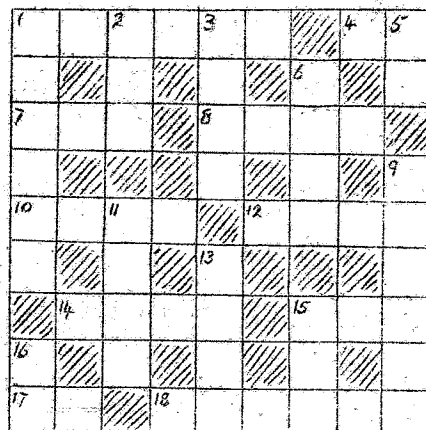
Team: Bennett, J., D.Calnan, J.Evans, S.Mee, A.Moore, M.Sloper,
A.McMillan, J.Palfreman, A.Russell, A.Wickins, Carroll

ACROSS

1. We put it on bread.
4. Preposition.
7. Ships sail here.
8. Sticky sweets.
10. Dutch cheese.
12. From palm to pudding.
14. Eastern drink in powder form.
15. Fairy.
17. Questionable.
18. Pressed curds.

DOWN

1. Used for carrying things.
2. Drink or meal.
3. ---- and bacon?
5. Preposition.
6. Girl's name.
9. Drink.
11. Not here.
13. On Fridays!
15. Female sheep.
16. First class (abbreviation).



HOCKEY FIXTURES:

Easter Term 1960

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(Under 11 X1)

W. Feb. 10

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| S. | 13 | Branksome-Hilders. | () | Branksome-Hilders. ? | () |
| W. | 17 | Barfield. | (A) | Barfield. | (H) |
| S. | 20 | HALF-TERM | | HALF-TERM | |
| W. | 24 | Ripley Court. | (H) | Ripley Court. | (A) |
| S. | 27 | Desmoor. | (H) | | |

W. Mar. 2 Cranleigh.

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| S. | 5 | St. George's College. | (A) | | |
| W. | 9 | Barfield. | (H) | Barfield. | (A) |
| S. | 12 | PLAY | | PLAY | |
| W. | 16 | Ripley Court. | (A) | Ripley Court. | (H) |
| S. | 19 | ST. JOSEPH'S DAY | | ST. JOSEPH'S DAY | |
| S. | 26 | Term Ends. | | Term Ends. | |

Congratulations to the following who celebrated their birthdays during the term:

Simon Baynham, John Beedham, Charles Coxwell, Nicolas Crisell, Anthony D'Eon, Ian Hammond, John Harvey, Christopher Hopkins, Charles Illing, Michael Newton, Jonathan Palfreman, Christopher Pike, David Rossi, Michael Rowlatt, Anthony Shea, Malcolm Stacy, John Terry, and Timothy Visick.