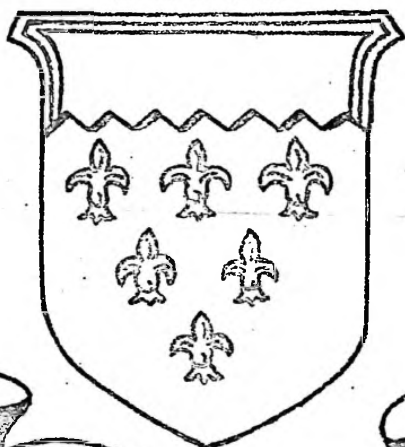


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et quibusdam aliis.

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Editorial

When the first notes for this Editorial were written, they were intended for a single copy which would have recorded the School's activities and been deposited in the Berney Library. The cost of printing the Pastonian had mounted so much over the years and, despite the introduction of advertisements and the use of cheaper methods of reproduction, it had been decided regrettably the cost was too much for the limited resources of the School Fund. It is only due to the efforts and persistence of a few members of the present Lower Sixth that it has been decided to continue with a duplicated and slightly smaller publication.

This year has seen the publication of a completely revised edition of Archdeacon Porder's 'History of the Paston School' and clearly his work was made much more difficult by the fact that the Pastonian did not come into being until the 1900s. So our continued existence must make the task of some future School biographer a far easier one. Meantime we should perhaps mention that copies of the History in hardback and paperback are available from the School secretary.

The retirement of Mr. Marshall, fully recorded in last year's Pastonian, was followed by an interregnum of a term, when Mr. G. V. Couper, the second master, ably took over the duties of headmaster. His term of office proved a very happy one for the School and, with Mr. K.H. Harre taking over permanently as Headmaster in January, Mr. Couper returned to his duties as second master with his natural self-effacement. Mr. Harre had been Headmaster of Hamonds School, Swaffham for a number of years and is apparently not the first headmaster of Hamonds to have left to come to Paston. We hope that both he and his wife will have a very happy sojourn with us.

We must too record the approach of momentous changes. The County has finally succumbed to government pressure and put forward a scheme for Comprehensive Education. In the present outline of the scheme the Girls' High School and the North Walsham Secondary Modern School would become co-educational Middle Schools for 12-16 year olds and the Paston School a co-educational Sixth Form College, serving a very limited area with Middle Schools at Sheringham and Lylsham also catering for some sixth form teaching. How much the scheme is open to change by discussion is not clear; representatives from the Staff have met with representatives from other interested schools in the neighbourhood and decided on a common approach to the County hierarchy, but so far no progress has been achieved. At the moment it seems as if the Paston School will continue roughly as it is, receiving pupils on a 'guided parental choice' to a grammar-school type education until 1982, and that from that date the junior forms will gradually work their way through the school and the only admissions will be boys and girls in the 16+ age groups, for O and A level courses.

This year has seen the removal of the Staff Room from its cramped quarters in the 1939 building to three ample rooms in the 'House', the first of which, previously the Headmaster's Study, many of us even now approach with some awe and trepidation. The outside lavatories have been 'doored and restored' to end a complaint long voiced rather in the pages of the Pastonian anonymous than these rather more august pages. The Summer Term saw the removal of the Lower Sixth to the School House and the old Sixth Form Room is to be transformed to a Biology Lab. Finally the dining system was changed in the Autumn Term and instead of formal sittings with grace said and endless waiting, we now have self-service. The queue for service is often long, but, once served, there is no more delay. The change seems to have met universal approval and also has the added benefit of a choice of menu.

A.D.B.

Salvete
AUTUMN TERM 1975

Form IA - T.S. Bailey, A.R. Beane, B.J. Bradbury, C.J. Brown, D.J. Browne, D.R. Connolly, C.P. Downey, A.C. Durrant, R.M. Fellowes, I.M. Futter, A. Gooch, A.J. Green, R.J. Hamant, P.H. Harriman, D.A. Holiday, A.S. Howard, A.J. Hudson, T.J. Lawson, H.D. Lunn, I.C. Manted, J.C. Nevell, D.G. Page, J.S. Richmond, M.R. Skato, I.R.H. Tebble, J.M. Titmus, D.R. Tuffrey, A.E. Walker, D.J. Watts, H.P. Williamson, R.A. Woods, B.J. Wright.

Form I alpha - J.G. Bale, P.W. Boutle, T.A. Brooks, R.J. Brown, A.S. Buck, K.J. Dowing, J.H. Dring, P.J. Dyball, K.J. Fiske, D.J. Gidden, K.J. Grainger, T.J. Grimsdale, A.R.J. Harner, A.M. Harris, S.A. Hornby, M.J. Howchin, D.A. Hunn, A.J. Locke, K.R. Mann, H.G. Norrell, S.R. Novey, I.J. Pycroft, P. Sargent, C.A. Spicer, A.P. Thomas, D.J. Tooluy, G.J. Tuthill, D.M. Walker, D.C. Whitehouse, S.J. Wones, S.R. Worme.

Form IIA - D. Eddison.

Form IIIA - G. Peake, M.R. Powles.

Form III alpha - M. Birtwell, M. Robson.

Form VA - D.C. Handley.

Form V alpha - R.D. G. Olphert.

SPRING TERM 1976

Form I alpha - S.A. Hornby.

Form IIA - R.G. Lea, S.C. Wells.

Form III alpha - M.J. Ridout.

Form IVA - P.M. Neil.

SUMMER TERM 1976

Form IIA - M.R. McManus.

Form VA - J.A. Booth.

Form Lower VI - M.K. Trower.

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AUTUMN TERM 1975

Form I alpha - S.A. Hornby.

Form IIA - C. Lumsden.

Form Lower VI - P.H. Brown, A.M.G. Cox, I.B. Pitt Steele.

Form Upper VI - A.R. Peck, A.S.M. Parry.

SUMMER TERM 1976

Form I alpha - D.C. Whitehouse.

Form IIIA - K.A. Sendall, M.R. Stables.

Form VA - R.W. Ayres, J.A. Booth, P.H. Davis, G.J. Holsey, J.J. Middleton, A.A. Mortran, P.J. Taylor.

Form V alpha - T.M. Blyth, D. Carter, H.L. Ellison, I.P. Guest, J. Gunnett, M.D. Hook, S.J. Lock, D.E. Mcagher, H.J. O'Hanlon, I.C. Synnington, D. Ward.

Form Lower VI - J.A.R. Oliver.

Form Upper VI - R.M. Adcock, P.A. Bacon, R.W. Barker, R.G. Bell, M.D. Brown, R.H. Bullock, D. Chapman, J.D. Cole, P.P. Cook, M. Crook, R.E. Dicks, M.J. Digby, P.R. Durrant, B.R. Eastwood, H.D. Edwards, M.K. Fitz-Hugh, M.E. Gayfer, K. Haines, R.W. Harland, S. Holmes, H.T. Howard, R. Nichols, G. Norrell, R.J. Powell, I.J. Seccombe, D.P. Shaw, C. Shorten, J.R.S. Stables, N.J. Woolven.

Staff Notes.

The year began before the Autumn Term, so to speak, as it was clear that Mr. Couper would need some relief from his teaching time-table if he was to be Acting Headmaster. We were happy to welcome Mrs. Sarah Fisher, who ably stood in for him for some History and R.E. Her presence made us suddenly conscious of the drabness that was the Common Room, and perhaps tamed our more unguarded vocabulary, and we were very grateful for her help.

However, the facetiousness of those annals is inappropriate for a year that opened with a serious illness and closed with a death. September had barely started when Mr. P.D. Havercroft succumbed to heart trouble that took him into the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital and thence to a long period of convalescence and gradual recovery, from which he finally returned to us after the Spring half-term holiday. His colleagues and classes missed his effervescent personality in miscellaneous ways, and we are glad that he is back among us after a somewhat traumatic experience.

We were fortunate in Mr. Havercroft's absence to secure the services of Dr. A.J. Muir, formerly Head of Modern Languages at Drayton Manor School, Ealing. He thought he had come to Norfolk to retire, but changed into an English Master at the drop of a time-table, and rendered invaluable help in that role from September to February.

At Christmas Mr. R.S. Daniel left us after a comparatively short stay in which he had taken a thorough grip on his teaching and had become a real part of the School. He left not only the School but the profession also, to enter his family business on the death of his father, and we wish him every success and happiness in his new career among builder's materials of all kinds, but we lament his departure and the loss to teaching.

Mr. D. Newton came to us temporarily for the Spring Term to replace Mr. Daniel, and in that short time he carried on the classes he inherited with skill and devotion. It is a sad commentary on our day that two young men, born teachers, found they were better advised to leave the profession.

Dr. Muir resumed half his French hat to take Mr. Daniel's French classes, and some complex jugglings of the time-table were executed by H.G.H.'s skilled hands to enable this combination with Mr. Havercroft's English commitments. After the latter's return, Dr. Muir resumed the whole of his French hat on Mr. T. Seadon's departure, having been allowed a brief semi-retirement from February to April. Mr. Seadon was appointed Head of Modern Languages at Framingham Secondary School, and we congratulate him on his promotion, which would obviously have come sooner or later. He has done much to strengthen the teaching of French here, and we wish him well in his new and palatial surroundings. It is rumoured that M.R. will have to teach some French again any day now!

Messrs. Daniel and Newton were succeeded eventually in April by Mrs. H.A. Wilson, from Sprowston High School, the first woman to be a permanent member of Staff for thirty years or more. She has quickly made her energy and presence felt, and we wish her a long and happy sojourn in our chauvinist male piggery. Messrs. Seadon and Muir will by September have been succeeded by Mr. J.H. Brett, to whom we also extend our best wishes.

The year's changes culminated in those brought about by the sudden death on 8th. June of Mr. W.E. Cox, Art Master since 1958. As will be remembered, he was just finishing the first year of normal duties after a year's absence seriously and sometimes dangerously ill, and his return to activity and professional commitment had surprised us all by its determination and tenacity. He had, of course, also had a long illness two years or so before that, and had won through that too. He had had quite a normal teaching day, attended a professional meeting in the evening, was about to go to bed, and died. Colleagues and pupils attended his funeral service at Walcot Church, and suddenly there was a great hole in the School's life. The memory of his work, which will survive him, is all that remains. We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Cox and his son, Peter, on this stunning shock.

Mrs. Cheetham ably stood in for Mr. Cox until the end of the Summer Term, and we are glad to welcome Mr. J.H. Maizels, from Harvey Grammar

School, Folkestone, as Mr. Cox's permanent replacement.

The presence of the extra form in the School necessitated an extra member of Staff, and we are happy that it has turned out to be Mr. R.W. Holt from the Cambridge School of Education, who teaches a good deal of R.E. and some History and English.

Other than all these occasions there has been change in the Common Room itself, for we have been translated to higher spheres in the School House. There we now have a room to converse in, one to be silent and work in, a store-room to keep our rubbish in, a cloak-room to keep our cloaks in and a bathroom - and carpeting, a 'phone, armchairs, and a mantelpiece to keep pipes on; and the heating works.

F.E.H.

Gems from Term and Exam(culled by our Special Correspondents, F.E.H. and R.D.)

" A huge Mark E tent sheltered the Garden Party guests."

They couldn't put up with that old Mark D any longer.

" A man in a striped suite"

" A man in a stripped suit"

Both streaking for cover?

" Heraldry emerged from the need of the surfs to recognise their masters."

Weren't they DAZZled by the whiteness?

" The summer resident of the Queen at Sandringham"

H.M. Tennant, Limited?

" The sun was shinging through the window."

Presumably the morning after the night before.

" The bells of the cathedral were wrung and a cannon blew off to bring it to a dramatic climatic end."

Then the Archdeacon tolled the sexton and the sexton rang the belles, and the belles told the thyme, we suppose.

" It gives the woman of the family a brake."

But it doesn't accelerator.

"British motor-bikes are dying out."

Well, the industry's in the red.

" The bulk of the traffic along this part of the coast is coasters travelling from King's Lynn to Felixstowe and visa-versa."

We hope their passports are in order.

" I turned on my bedside lamp and lied there."

On his fibula?

" I would like to board a ship for a long cruise to Switzerland."

Another secker for that uninhibited island.

" I won my first-ever goldfish swimming around in a transparent plastic back."

Not another of these full frontal performances.

'Huff said.

Prize List

IA M. Sargent
A.P.J. Billington
H.W. Platt

IIA N. Smith
T.S. Jones
P.K. Taylor

IIIA D.J. Yansley
M.K. Fulcher
H.E. Charity

I alpha M. Stubbs
A.J. Watson
H. Tait

II alpha A.C. Gordon
P.J. Moy
J.G. Holmes

III alpha H.A. Fox
D.W. Thomas
B.H. Morris

IIIG	M.S. Williamson	IVA	B.R. Mackie	IV alpha	P.J.G. Couch
	G.K. Farquhar		P.J. Brickley		H.S. Olifield
	J. Bane		R.W. Ayres		H.R. Majewski

V form ('O' Level Prizes)

H.A. Smith	J.H. Keeler	A.B. Ashley-Griffiths
MaC. Carr	J.F. Boughton	H.C. Smith

Besant Prizes for Reading (in memory of W.H.B.): (Senior) B.R. Mackie
(Junior) P.F. Life

Peters Prize for Junior Latin: T.W. Dixon

Swann Prize for Mathematics: L. Kirkham

Francis Wortley Prize for History: R.L. Minch

Bloom Prize for English: P.M. Anderson

Burgess Prize for Science: P.A. Robbins

Grimes Prize for Geography: A.S. Parry

Berney Prize for French: P.M. Anderson

Blofeld Prizes for Verse Reading: (Senior) P.M. Anderson
(Junior) C.A. Lucas

Chairman's Prize for winner of Trafalgar Shield: P.M. Anderson

G.C.E. Examination Results

Norfolk County Scholars: R.W. Baxter, M.D. Brown, P.S. Couch, H.K. Fitz-Hugh, P.E. Johnson, I.J. Seccombe, D.P. Shaw.

R.A. Adcock	Geography, Mathematics(O), Physics(O), G.P.
P. Bacon	Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.
R.W. Baxter	Physics, Chemistry, Zoology(D), G.P.
R.G. Bell	Mathematics, Physics(O), Chemistry.
M.D. Brown	Mathematics, Chemistry, Zoology, G.P.
E.H. Bullock	English, History, Geography, G.P.
D. Chapman	Additional Mathematics(O), Chemistry, Zoology, G.P.
J.D. Cole	Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.
P.P. Cook	Geography, Mathematics, Physics(O), G.P.
P.S. Couch	Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry(H), G.P.
M.J. Crock	Zoology(O), Art, G.P.
P.R. Dicks	English(O), History, Geography, G.P.
M.J.C. Digby	Mathematics, Chemistry, Art.
P.R. Durrant	Geography, Mathematics, Physics, G.P.
L.R. Eastwood	Mathematics(O), Physics(O), Chemistry(O).
M.D. Edwards	English(O), Geography, French(O), G.P.
H.K. Fitz-Hugh	English, History, Geography, G.P.
H.E. Gayfer	Mathematics, Physics(O), Zoology.
K. Haines	Mathematics, Chemistry(O), Zoology, G.P.
R.W. Harland	Physics, Chemistry, Zoology, G.P.
S.D. Holmes	English(O), Geography, G.P.
M.T. Howard	Mathematics, Chemistry, Zoology, G.P.
P.E. Johnson	English, History, Geography, G.P.
R. Nichols	History, Geography, Mathematics(O), G.P.
G. Norrell	Geography, French, Mathematics, G.P.
R.J. Potwell	Mathematics, Chemistry, Zoology, G.P.
J.A. Scarlett	Mathematics, Physics(O), Chemistry(O), G.P.
I.J. Seccombe	History, Geography(D), Art, G.P.
D.P. Shaw	History, Geography, Mathematics, G.P.
C. Shorten	Mathematics, Physics(O), Art.
J.R.S. Stables	Mathematics, Physics(O), Music, G.P.
H.J. Woolven	Mathematics, Chemistry(H), Zoology, G.P.

(O) indicates a pass at Ordinary Level.

(H) indicates a merit and (D) a distinction in a Special Paper.

(G.P.) indicates a C grade or better in the General Paper.

Ordinary Level

The following achieved a C grade or better in the number of subjects recorded below:

P.M.B. Aldridge 8; B.G. Amies 7; R.W. Ayres 8; G.M. Baker 8; J.P. Bell 3;
 W. Biskupski 8; T.H. Blyth 6; P.J. Brickley 8; D.S. Cannell 8;
 R.T. Carter 4; I.C. Coggins 8; D.A. Coleman 7; H.A. Colver 7; P.I. Cook 8;
 P.J.S. Couch 8; R.H. Crackford 7; S.P. Davies 6; P.R. Davis 1;
 H.L. Ellison 7; R.P. Fiske 8; R.P. Gent 7; H. Godbold 5; I.P. Guest 3;
 J.M. Gunnett 4; D.C. Handley 4; G. Havens 8; G.J. Holsey 6; H.D. Hook 5;
 J.A. Humphreys 6; R.W. Jones 7; S.I. Jones 5; P.T.H. Jump 8; S.C. Lee 7;
 S.J. Lock 5; S.J. Lunn 6; B.R. Mackie 8; H.R. Majewski 9; D.K. Meagher 3;
 J.J. Middleton 7; A. Mortram 6; A.J. Hobbs 8; S.J. Oakley 7; H.O'Hanlon 8;
 N.S. Oldfield 8; R.D.G. Olphert 9; D. Parker 2; A.C. Pritchard 7;
 G.L. Remon 6; A. Seager 8; K.B. Shepherd 6; C.A. Spalding 8;
 R.J. Sturling 8; I.C. Symington 8; P.J. Taylor 3; D.K. Tomkinson 5;
 A.J. Townsend 5; J.J.H. Tuck 8; A.P. Turner 7; D.S. Walker 8;
 H.D. Walsley 6; D.A. Ward 5; P.E.C. Wellsted 7; I.G. Wilson 6;
 C.J. Woodcock 8.

The following University and Polytechnic places and admissions to Teacher Training Colleges were attained by last year's leavers. We apologise for any omissions:

P. Babon	Imperial College, London (with Rolls Royce)
R.W. Baxter	Magdalene College, Cambridge.
R.G. Bell	Nottingham University.
H.D. Barton	St. John's College, Oxford.
D. Chapman	Reading University.
J.D. Cole	Leeds University.
P.P. Cock	Reading University.
M.J.C. Digby	Liverpool University.
P.R. Durrant	Lancaster Polytechnic.
M.K. Fitz-Hugh	Leicester Polytechnic.
M.E. Gayfer	Hatfield Polytechnic.
R.W. Harland	London Hospital.
R. Nichols	Borough Road Teacher Training College.
G. Norrell	Cardiff University.
R.J. Powell	Reading University.
I.J. Seccombe	Durham University.
D.P. Shaw	Manchester University.
N.J. Woolven	Leeds University.

Hoste House Report

This was another disappointing year for Hoste, without a win in any of the House competitions. In the Christmas Term the House Football Team beat Nelson shakily and then lost to Wharton in the final. The same route was followed in the Hockey Tournament. The cricket team tried bravely against a strong Wharton team and could have beaten Nelson but for depth of batting, but still recorded two defeats. Tennis and Shooting Cups were lost sight of early on in the respective competitions.

Junior years show promise in Athletics, as in all sports, but they could not unfortunately prevent the Athletics Shield going elsewhere this year.

J.G.H.

Nelson House Report

This has been a more encouraging year for the House as a lot more all-round effort and enthusiasm has been shown.

Owing to a long run in the English Schools' Under 19 Individual Championship by the 1st XI, the deciding games for the Football Shield were not played. This was a pity as, mathematically, we were one of the three teams that could have won. In the two games that were played, the team proved to be quite a good one, considering it had only two regular 1st XI players.

The Easter Cross-Country was again left to the individuals. This was shown in the results as, even with R. Fiske winning in the senior section and Beane winning in the juniors, the seniors only managed to finish 3rd., and the intermediates and the juniors both came last.

1st. XI Football fixtures again interfered with the Hockey House matches, but Mr. Coward arranged a knock-out competition of shorter games with somewhat strange rules and the House was unlucky to finish 3rd.

Very little enthusiasm was shown on Sports Day and Nelson finished last - this was due partly to the fact that many seniors seemed to have gone into 'hiding' after the G.C.E. examinations were over.

We had a very strange cricket team this year, with perhaps Horn the only cricketer, and it was not much of a surprise when we didn't reach the final for the first time in four years. However the younger members showed great promise, especially Richardson with the bat and Hewett with the ball.

The House Shooting Team was thought to have a fine chance of capturing the Shooting Shield and enhanced this belief by dropping only two points in the semi-final. However in the final Tenison 'turned the tables' on us and did not drop a single point. Credit must be given to Powell who scored full marks in both matches.

If this effort is maintained next year, we could find ourselves in our rightful position, at the very top. Congratulations to all those who received their House Colours and, finally, thanks to our Housemasters for their unceasing support.

Mos Lenes.

A.R.H.

Tenison House Report for the Summer Term

This term has been somewhat of a hard-luck story for the House, as we came second in both the Cricket and on Sports Day. However we did manage to retain the Shooting Cup again, which is some consolation.

On Sports Day we came an easy 2nd., finishing several points clear of Hoste, but unfortunately finishing several points behind Wharton. Notable performances on the track came from Green in the Seniors who won the 1,500, 800 and 400 metre races, and from Bridgeland in the middle age group who won in the 200 and 100 metre sprints and who also helped the middle relay team win their race. In the field events the High Jump was won by Vincent (middle) and Foulser (junior). Well done to all these and to all the others in the House who were placed, but who are too numerous to mention.

Our Cricket team did well beating Nelson in the semi-finals, but then having hard luck in the final by just losing to Wharton by one wicket. The side was well captained by Walpole and there was some good batting by Oakley and Wyhill, and some good bowling by Havens and Cole.

The only success this term was the Shooting Team which consisted of Crook (captain), Walpole, Pardon and Ashloy-Griffiths. They shot against Nelson in the final and it was dead-level until the last few stages when

Nelson's nerves cracked and they dropped some points which gave us the Cup.

In the past former Tenison House Captains have often complained about the enthusiasm from the House, but I am glad to say that now this has improved a lot, and I think there is great promise for the House in the year ahead.

B.J.P.

Wharton House Report

Congratulations, Wharton House! During the past year you have been very successful in most of the School's sporting activities, but, before I summarize these, I must mention "Hot-Rod" Anderson, an ex-member of the House, who was awarded the Winble Prize for his useful service to the School and, of course, to the House.

Wharton's Football players have again displayed their mastery of the sport by winning the Football Competition - as far as it went. Nichols and Baker deserve extra credit for their individual achievements - Nichols played for the County and Baker attended an English Schools' Trial.

During the Spring Term Wharton won the Hockey Shield, beating Hoste in the final. However the Cross-Country teams couldn't break through Tenison's hold of the sport, and in the Easter run came second overall. Butler must be congratulated on his splendid effort in winning the Middle race. One of the lesser sports - Bridge - had two Wharton members in the very successful team - Woolven and Couch. The team defeated Dones High School, Lowestoft on two occasions.

Summer though was our most successful term. Both the Tennis Cup and the Cricket Shield were won by Wharton. There were good performances at cricket from Coggins, scoring fifty and taking six wickets - from Nichols, batting the whole of the game - and Baker who also played for the Midland Schools. However Wharton's best achievement was on Sports Day when they won the Athletics Shield by some thirty points and took away six of the major trophies awarded to the leading athletes. Tait, of the Lower School, won all five of his events, and Woolven, our Athletics captain, gave a truly marvellous performance. Well done, all those concerned with the day's activities!

Such a record of successes has made me proud to have been House Captain this past year, and, in my capacity as such, I wish to thank Mr. Lamb and Mr. Coward for their valuable assistance in running the House so efficiently on behalf of its members. Good Luck, Wharton, for the coming year.

P.C.

Combined Cadet Force

Royal Navy Section

On a hot sunny day - to be exact on the 24th of May - the School had the honour of welcoming Rear Admiral Ash, the Head of Services Intelligence, and his team to inspect the School C.C.F.

A Guard of Honour for the Rear Admiral was inspected on the lawn in front of the School House and, after this, the Royal Naval Section marched up to the School Playing Field to continue the day's activities.

A wide range of activities had been prepared for the Rear Admiral's attention. In the morning a wire transfer jockstay and a jib crane were constructed, while those on the AB course were given buoyage instruction using the model of Port Liberty. There was also bends and hitches instruction and testing. After lunch a simulated breeches buoy rescue apparatus was erected and tested by the Admiral himself. A rope bridge

was also set up and there was instruction in position fixing by compass bearings and in the handling of berthing hawsers using bollards.

Finally the whole contingent was addressed by Rear Admiral Ash in the Assembly Hall and he made it known that he had been well pleased by the usual high standards of the Paston School C.C.F.

D.C.H., L/S.

Army Section

With the retirement of Lt. Col. Marshall the Contingent was taken over by Captain Couper who has since been promoted to Major. The Section enjoyed a very successful year and in particular was able to give a varied and, I hope, interesting programme of work for Inspection Day.

After the ceremonial parade the signals' section spent the morning testing the range of the portable radio transmitters and then in the afternoon they laid telephone lines up on the Field for Rear Admiral Ash to view. A number of fifth formers during the morning set up a bivouac camp and then in the afternoon went to Felmingham Heath for a Battlecraft Exercise. Meanwhile the fourth forms were engaged in map-reading exercises much of the day.

At the end of term a successful Field Day exercise was held on Salthouse Heath - despite the lack of radio communication. Then, at the beginning of the holidays a number of the section were able to enjoy a camp at Sennybridge, near Brecon, where they actually enjoyed the then rather unusual occurrence - rain!

This year has shown the keenness of the members of the Army Section and I hope they keep it up.

A.P.T., Cpl.

R.A.F. Section

On Inspection Day after the short ceremonial display which revealed an almost unbelievable precision and splendour from the Paston School Guard of Honour, the R.A.F. Section dispersed to go about its normal business of instruction.

The more senior Vth form members were taught by Junior Corporal Pitchford about engines and the programme included the stripping down and reassembly of an old motor bicycle engine. Other members of the section were given instruction on the use of the Dalton Computer. This is a gadget used in navigation to plot the direction and speed of an aircraft on a course to Nottingham. Unfortunately the way to use the computer still remained a mystery to most even after the instruction.

Earlier in the year, at the end of the Easter term, nine cadets from the Section attended a camp at Kinloss, Morayshire. It proved very enjoyable, but it was rather unfortunate that only two cadets were able to enjoy the thrills of a flight in Mimrods.

A.C.P., Sgt.

1st XI Football

This year's 1st XI must rank as one of the finest teams for many years, although only five players had had previous first team experience. Apart from the Cup Matches 12 games were played, 6 were won, 3 drawn and three lost. The first two games both ended in defeats, the first at the hands of the Old Boys who won 4-0, and the second defeat occurred away against K.E.S. who won 5-2. The third defeat was by C.H.S. who won 2-1, scoring both their goals inside the final five minutes.

Despite the setbacks which occurred in the opening two games, the team trained hard and went on from strength to strength. Thorpe, Yarmouth (both twice), Harolds and Fakenham were all beaten, and in these victories only once did the School fail to score at least four times.

The team must be congratulated on its outstanding Cup run which earned them mentions in a National newspaper. The Cowles Cup was won for the first time for 10 years. A 6-0 victory over Gorleston secured an away fixture against Diss G.S. in the second round. The School won 6-2 after extra time, but the score did not reflect the true pattern of a game in which the School were lucky to force the extra time. The semi-final against C.H.S. produced a fine game of football in which the School ran out 3-0 winners. Hewitts were the opponents in the final and after surviving immense pressure in the first half, Nichols scored all the goals of a 4-0 win in the second period. Nichols must go down as one of the main heroes of the Cowles Cup win by scoring 13 goals in the four games.

After the victory over Hewitts came the entry into the E.S.F.A. individual U-19 Championship, with the first game against March G.S. in the preliminary round. A 5-2 victory gave the School an away game against Northgate G.S. from Ipswich. This was a closely fought game, played on a pitch that was frozen solid and under very windy conditions. However a rare Walker goal separated the two teams. Another closely fought game followed; this was at home to Enfield G.S. who were defeated again by the 1-0 margin. The next game, away to a very good Hampton G.S. side from Surrey, provided the most exciting match of the season. After soaking up great pressure in the first half, the School took an early lead in the second period when a long kick from Baker was crossed by Nichols and finally stabbed home by Heavens. The School maintained this lead, until the final 20 minutes when Hampton equalised and then took the lead. However Heavens made it 2-2 when the opposition goalkeeper was unable to hold his fierce free kick. This was the score until two minutes from the end when a deflected shot gave Hampton a 3-2 lead. All looked lost, but such was the spirit of the School side that they attacked straight from the kick-off and, from a ball crossed high into the penalty area, Nichols headed from close range with only seconds to spare. The replay a week later at North Walsham signalled the end of our Cup run. A display much below the standard of the rest of the season helped contribute to our 3-1 defeat by Hampton. A victory here would have taken the School into the semi-final, but the School had to be content with the knowledge that they had reached the last eight.

A high standard of football was played throughout the season and all the players should be congratulated upon the hard work and enthusiasm that gained such good results. The back four of Dicks, Coggins, Woelven and Pardon did not always get the praise that they deserved and the mid-field of Walker, Fiske, R., and Havens always worked efficiently as a unit. Oakley played in an unaccustomed position on the left wing and sometimes found the going a little tough, but he always battled through. The team had some very able reserves in Fiske, D., Robertson and Moran who often gave up their time to come along as a substitute.

In the 21 games played the School scored 64 goals and conceded only 28. Of the 64 goals scored Nichols personal haul was 34, which was more than half the total scored. 6 players were awarded their colours; all were in their first season of 1st XI Football - Coggins, Pardon, Fiske, R., Walker, Havens and Oakley.

Nichols and Baker both represented Norfolk Schools Under 19 throughout

the season and also in a festival of football at Skegness. Robertson also played at Skegness for the Under 19 XI; this was a remarkable achievement for as a fourth form boy he was only 15. Baker had a trial for the E.S.F.A. and he and Nichols both represented Norfolk in the County Youth XI.

I hope that next season is as successful and enjoyable as the past season has been. In conclusion I must thank Mr. Sampson whose encouragement was greatly appreciated and who gave up much of his time to coach and train the side. I should like to thank Mrs. East for providing the refreshments, and also Mr. Grantham-Hill who as ever took charge of our affairs with great efficiency.

C.E.B.

Football - Other Elevens					Goals	
	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
2nd XI	9	7	1	1	60	12
Under 16 XI	4	3	-	1	17	10
Under 15 XI	6	1	-	5	15	21
Under 14 XI	7	5	1	1	19	15
Under 13 XI	7	1	-	6	10	31
Under 12 XI	4	2	-	2	14	10

The 2nd. XI were very strong and had a successful season, in keeping with that of the 1st. XI. In the first match, at Thorpe as usual, behind 0 - 2 after a quarter of an hour, they stormed through to win 8 - 2. And this score was increased to 15 - 1 in the return match. In fact, there were three double figure scores in succession in victories over T.G.S., H.G.S. and Y.G.S. The 2 - 1 victory over Hewitts was particularly good. The 2 - 3 defeat at Diss and the 4 - 4 draw at C.H.S. both contained two late goals for the opposition of very doubtful authenticity, apparently allowed to give a good home result.

The team was strong in all departments: Morrell kept goal well; Woodcock, Moran - who captained the side and was responsible for it -, Shaw, Parker, Brown, D. Fiske usually made up the defence and mid-field; Marshall, Adcock, Edwards, Wyner, Wilson could all operate swiftly and decisively down the wings in attack; Fitz-Hugh scored dozens of goals in the middle.

The Under 16 XI played a couple of games before their first Cup Match against Thetford Sec. School. This match they won comfortably by 6 - 2 in the end, after having been pulled back from 3 - 0 to 3 - 2, followed by a fine individual goal from Shepherd. Blyth-Jex, with two Norfolk stars, proved to be too good for them in the next round, though there were several near goals which could easily have swung the game if fortune had been kinder.

The Junior XI were distinctly disappointing: they lost to King's Lynn and to Y.G.S., partly due to absentees and two penalties conceded in each game. Somehow they managed to lose 1 - 3 to F.G.S., and they gave away goals from corners v C.H.S. In the Tom Eastell Cup they beat Claydon School 8 - 0 (7 - 0 at half-time), but they lost 0 - 4 to the strong Alderman Leach side in a match in which they should have scored some goals in the first half and then gave away three in five minutes during a violent rain squall. The defence was usually sound, though apt to incur the referee's disapproval; but the attack was below standard - Finch had thrust, Greenacre skill, but too much depended on Abbs and Robertson coming through. Robertson, Abbs, Gripper, Connolly were in the E. Norfolk squad, and Robertson was in the Norfolk Schools' Under 15 XI and, at Skegness, in the Under 19 side.

The Under 14 XI had narrow, but not undeserved, wins over King's Lynn, T.G.S., Stalham and Cromer; and they drew 1 - 1 in a very tense game v

T.G.S. In the Cup, they beat Claydon 2 - 0: Viner scored an early goal, and they held this lead till Richardson scored the vital second goal near the end; the defence, marshalled by Winter, was good and Day handled well in goal. In the next round, they lost 1 - 5 to Howitts, with black marks against most of the team. They competed in two 6-a-side events: in the first - the usual one - they were disappointing, the finishing being lamentable, despite chances galore; the other was a new event and was played at Trowse on a warm Sunday in May, between 28 schools. Our team was Winter (captain), Day, Hobbs, Day, Wones, Richardson and P. Davison and they performed far better this time, winning 3 and drawing 2 of their 6 matches in their section. 2 good goals from Richardson in the last match ensured a place in the quarter-finals; in this they lost to Dereham who had a very big boy who dominated affairs and who won then the tournament.

The Under 13s were not a strong side: they lost heavily to King's Lynn, by 2 - 3 to Y.G.S. who scored two late goals; then they beat F.G.S. by 3 - 1, playing rather well; they also lost to Cromer in a game which they ought to have won. Their best performance was in the Cup against Thorpe St. Andrew, a game in which they were twice ahead - once direct from a corner taken by Roobuck - and each time Thorpe equalised and then scored the winner in extra time; they went on to win the competition. Two further defeats were not particularly fair. Cooper was the goalie this season; Watson, Storey (captain), Grainger, Colebrook, Fiske, Jenkins, Foulser, Turner, Roobuck, Woodrow made up the rest of the usual team.

The Under 12s were quite a good team: they won the away match at Thorpe, but lost the home match by the same score (4 - 2). They beat Claydon 7-0, Buck scoring 5 goals, but lost to Alderman Leach. They had an outstandingly good player in Grainger, a brave goalie in Locke, an apparently tireless runner in Beane and 3 reliable performers in Hannant, Fiske and Bradbury.
H. G-H.

Tennis Report

This year the 1st. VI once again lost to the all-round strength of Norwich School, going down by 6 rubbers to 3 in the 1st. round of the Moore Cup. However in the Stevenson Cup, the Junior VI managed to beat Howitts School convincingly, before succumbing to a very strong Norwich School team by the narrow margin of 5 - 4.

The 1st. VI had a very enjoyable match against Mr. Robbins' "Star Six", which was only lost due to the intimidating threats from the two members of Staff in the opposition.

In the School competitions, Coggins held on to the George Hare Cup by beating Brown 6 - 4, 6 - 2, while Richardson won the Mrs. Marshall Cup by winning 6 - 3, 7 - 5 against Pennington, who had also been runner-up in the previous year's final. In the House matches Wharton stretched their unbeaten run to 4 years, disposing of Tenison in the final. Finally thanks must go to Mr. Robbins for organising the School competitions, and to Messrs. Sampson, Ball and Grantham-Hill for their encouragement and support in organising the School matches.

I.C.C.

Cricket - Other Elevens.

A combined IVth. and Vth. form Under 16 XI played two matches, comfortably accounting for Stalham School in the first, but in the second underestimating the strength of Sheringham School to whom they lost.

The Junior XI were not a strong side: with far more IVth. formers to choose from, only a handful could be found who were willing and able to play cricket even moderately well; the other half of the team came from keen and talented IIIrd. formers. Harler, Morris, Oakley, Lyhill, Baker contributed vigorously to the proceedings - but too often briefly when

batting. Only once, at Fakenham, were they really effective, when Morris and Oakley had the game wrapped up before tea. The H.G.S. match was extraordinary: Hammonds hammered all the bowling and declared at 151 for 5. In reply, Adams with Oakley(17) put on 52 for the first wicket and had made 56 when second out at 88; Wyhill hit a quick 17, and then Hallett joined Marler and they collected the last 30 runs to win by 4 wickets, Marler 39 not out. The Langley and Yarmouth matches were both lost.

The Under 14 XI contained an encouraging amount of talent and won the N.E. Norfolk Shield for the first time for three years. They twice beat Stalham, each time topping the 100 with Davison leading the way with scores of 33 and 35, and useful contributions from Jones, Howzett and Hobbs. They also twice beat Sheringham, narrowly at home, when Richardson bowled the last over and conceded only 2 runs when Sheringham wanted 7 to win; and very well at Sheringham, when Moy(29) and Hallett rescued the side from 21 for 5 to a winning total of 80.

The two Cromer matches were amazingly different: at Cromer, the home side reached 92 for 9 after their 20 overs; the School's batsmen got out when seemingly going well, and the total arrived at precisely the same score as Cromer's when Seager hit a boundary off the last ball but one of the 20th. over; off the last ball he and Richardson completed what they thought was the winning leg-bye, only to find that the umpire had ruled lbw, and hence the game to Cromer because of fewer wickets lost. At home, a few days later, Day(75) and Marler(55) put on a stupendous 134 runs for the first wicket in a total of 156 for 4; then Marler, Hallett and Howzett shot Cromer out for a miserable score of 16. An even larger total was reached against C.N.S., 183 for 3, with Jones batting throughout for a remarkable 95 not out, and Adams, Marler and Howett all topping 20. But rain was around, and the game was abandoned with C.N.S. at 48 for 6.

An important feature of the team's success, when extras often account for a considerable percentage of totals, was the very efficient wicket-keeping of Seager; and the keen and alert captaincy of Howett also played its part.

The Under 13 XI were quite a respectable side: they lost heavily at Langley against much older boys, though they bowled well and Cooper held 3 good catches; nor did they particularly distinguish themselves at Fakenham. But they recorded a good win over Thorpe G.S., whose good batsmen were dismissed by good bowling and catches by Woodrow and Hamilton, yet recovered from 26 for 6 to reach 76. Fiske and Roebuck put on 30 for the first wicket; Fiske (strong on the leg) made 35 and others saw the required total reached for the loss of 7 wickets without much trouble. Against H.G.S. the School again made a good start, and Keates(16) and Anis(48) dominated, and the total reached 104; Hammonds made 65, with Colebrook returning the astonishing figures of 9 for 16, 7 clean bowled and the other wicket was a 'run-out'.

The C.N.S. match ended in a very narrow draw: in reply to a good C.N.S. total, Riley played well for his 31, Keates, Colebrook, Anis, Hamilton did usefully and finally Auckland and Woodrow played out the last few overs; the whole innings was played in rain which had stopped all other matches long before.

The 6-a-side team looked to be the best side in the competition held at Sheringham, but they lost the vital match in the same unfortunate manner as the Under 14s had lost at Cromer.

H.G.H.

1st XI Cricket

This season the School had quite a good 1st. XI, although the team was again comparatively young with only two Upper VI formers playing regularly. Only two of the fourteen games were lost, five games were won, five drawn and one match was abandoned. Of the two defeats, one was by only one run at the hands of Gresham C.C., and the other was by Gravesend G.S., the only team who really outplayed the School during the season. The team consisted of seven recognised batsmen and five competent bowlers, all of whom performed creditably on most occasions. The fielding on occasions was very good, but these occasions did not occur often enough, although throughout the season some excellent catches were held.

Individual performances were very good throughout the season and there were usually one or two players who shone in each match. Baker, Coggins, Nichols, Oakley and Havens, all produced some fine innings. The bowling was shared between Baker, Seager, Cole and Havens. Baker bowled some marathon stints and again took most wickets, but he was well supported by pace bowlers, Cole and Havens, who were unlucky not to take more wickets. Seager had the spin department all to himself and with more confidence and experience could become a fine bowler.

The first match, against a U.E.A. freshers' XI, resulted in a competent win. The School scored only 90 runs, mainly through the efforts of Baker(35) and Coggins(34), but limited the U.E.A. total to 71 all out, with some fine bowling by Baker(7 for 22) and Havens(2 for 29).

The game with Langley resulted in a draw. The School scored 140 for 7 (Coggins 43) and Langley hung on, making 52 for 7, Baker taking 6 for 23.

Fakenham G.S. came to North Walsham and scored 138 for 5. Some dismal batting left the School in the disastrous position of 34 for 7 at the close.

The Police were defeated by 47 runs. The School made 126 for 4 through the efforts of Nichols who scored a very good 59. Baker(5 for 13), Havens(3 for 20) and Seager(2 for 17) bowled out the Police for 79.

Thorpe provided an easy victory, although the School scored only 103. Thorpe were dismissed for only 46 by some remarkable bowling from Baker who took 8 for 11.

The return game with Fakenham produced another draw. The School scored 112 for 7 (Baker 43) and a rather ordinary bowling performance allowed Fakenham to finish at 77 for 3.

The game with C.M.S. was abandoned after the School had batted and scored 116 for 9.

Another draw was the result of the game with Gothic A. After being set to score 102 to win (Cole 5 for 27), the School struggled to 86 for 7, mainly through a quick-fire 25 from Havens.

Gresham C.C. produced our first defeat and a very exciting game. Gresham scored 121 for 4 (Baker 3 for 28) through some good batting. The School replied by scoring 120 runs. A more consistent batting performance might have resulted in a win as only Baker(66), Oakley, Nichols and Moran scored.

A fine innings of 63 by Coggins and a third wicket partnership of 60 between him and Baker(39) put the School well on the way to a 67 run victory over Hamonds. Excellent bowling demolished Hamonds despite some stubborn batting. The star was Seager who took 6 for 21, well supported by Baker (13 - 10 - 10 - 3).

Gravesend were probably the best side we came across. Against some very accurate bowling the School only mustered 82, mainly through an excellent innings of 46 from Baker. The visitors soon overhauled the moderate total they had been set.

Against H.G.-H's XI we declared at 117 for 6 (Coggins 30, Oakley 25). H.G.-H's XI never looked like repeating their victory of the year before and at the close were 66 for 9 (Baker 6 for 27, Cole 3 for 15).

Our fixture with Cannock G.S. produced another good win for the School, who, batting first, scored their highest total of the season, 150. Coggins batted superbly, scoring 64 in 56 minutes, and he was ably supported by Oakley, Havens and Baker. The bowling honours were shared between Baker and Seager. Baker took 6 for 37, including his second hat-trick against Cannock in the last three years, and Seager 4 for 44.

The last match of the season, against Cromer A, resulted in a tense draw. Cromer, batting first, were dismissed for 94; Baker bowled 21.4 overs and took 7 for 41, because there were only three bowlers available. The School finished up on 79 for 9, with the last pair, Lunn and Cole, playing out the last five overs.

The batting and bowling prizes were awarded to Baker, and the fielding prize to Nichols.

Baker again played for Norfolk Schools Cricket Association and this year captained the side. He also played for Milland Schools against the North.

Coleurs were awarded to Havens, Oakley, Seeger and Coggins.

Many thanks to Mr. McPhee who gave up most Saturdays to come along and umpire very enthusiastically, to Mr. Williams whose coaching improved the ability of many players, to 'Pardo', our friendly groundsmen, for preparing the wickets, and to Mrs. East and the kitchen staff for providing teas. Special thanks to Mr. Grantham-Hill who continues to be a tower of strength, and whose advice and encouragement, as always, proved invaluable.

C.E.B.

1st XI Cricket Averages

Batting	Innings	Not Out	Highest Score	Runs	Average
Coggins	14	1	64	392	30.15
Baker	13	1	66	305	25.42
Nichols	13	0	59	175	13.46
Havens	13	2	25	147	13.36
Oakley	14	1	25	150	11.54

Bowling	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Baker	151.1	61	286	54	5.296
Seeger	59.2	12	221	18	12.28
Cole	81	18	207	14	14.79
Havens	95.5	20	281	12	23.42

Catches: Nichols 6 (and 3 stumpings), Baker 5, Oakley 5, Cole 4, Moran 4, Havens 3.

Cross Country and Athletics

Although there was less activity this year in Cross Country and Athletics compared with that of previous years, we enjoyed a reasonable amount of success. Mr. Sampson can take credit for much of that success in the Senior Cross Country, by keeping the footballers of the team fit. This fitness became apparent in the senior race of the School Cross Country, where Fiske, R. ran a fine race to beat Crook and Havens. Butler won the middle school race, followed by Jones and Knights, and Beane won the junior race from Amis and Kovacicovic.

The Inter-Grammar Schools Cross Country was held on our course. The seniors won their event with a good all-round team performance, and the juniors did well enough for the School to have an overall win.

The School Sports were won by Wharton. Tait in the juniors ran and jumped very well, winning five events and coming fourth in another. Other notable performances were given by Butler and Bridgeland in the middle school, and by Woolven, Pardon and Nichols in the seniors.

Inter-Grammar Schools Athletics: held at the Paston School. The School A team came 3rd. overall, individual successes were as follows:

	Juniors		Seniors	
Javelin	Greenacre	1st	Baker	2nd
Discus	Life	2nd	Howard	3rd
Weight	Grimmer	3rd	Howard	3rd
High Jump	Vincent	2nd	Pardon	2nd

	Juniors		Seniors	
Triple Jump	Peake	2nd.	Woolven	3rd.
Long Jump			Woolven	3rd.
100 metre Hurdles			Jones	3rd.
200 metres				
400 metres	Finch	3rd.		
800 metres	Butler	2nd.		
1500 metres			Fiske	3rd.

B.C.G.

Athletic Sports, Wednesday 26th May.

This year only the winners are recorded, except for the house relays where the full results are given.

	Senior	Middle	Junior
100 metres	R. Nichols (W) 12.2 secs.	M.J. Bridgeland (T) 12.4. secs.	N. Tait (W) 13.5 secs.
200 metres	R.W. Jones (W) 25.5 secs.	M.J. Bridgeland (T) 26.2 secs.	N. Tait (W) 28.3 secs.
400 metres	B.C. Green (T) 58.8 secs.	M.H. Rayner (H) 61.6 secs.	N. Tait (W) 68.6 secs.
800 metres	B.C. Green (T) 2 mins. 12.8 secs.	D.J. Butler (W) 2 mins 27.7 secs.	N. Tait (W) 2 mins 41.9 secs.
1500 metres	B.C. Green (T) 4 mins 44.7 secs.	D.J. Butler (W) 5 mins 2.9 secs.	M.W. Colebrook (W) 5 mins 38.6 secs.
High Jump	M.J. Woolven (W) 1.422 metres	S. Vincent (T) 1.397 metres	B.F. Foulser (T) 1.20 metres
Long Jump	M.J. Woolven (W) 5.56 metres	A. Howdowcroft (W) 4.59 metres.	N. Tait (W) 4.68 metres
Hurdles	(100 metres) M.J. Woolven (W) 16.2 secs.	(80 metres) M.A. Aitken (H) 14 secs.	
Triple Jump	N.J. Woolven (W) 11.22 metres	G.C. Peake (H) 10.44 metres	
Javelin	C.E. Baker (W) 43.32 metres	A. Greenacre (H) 35.34 metres	
Discus	M.T. Howard (H) 33.38 metres	P.F. Life (W) 35.23 metres	
Weight	M.T. Howard (H) 10.56 metres	A. Greenacre (H) 11.75 metres	
4 x 100 metres Relay	1 Wharton 2 Tenison 3 Heste 4 Nelson 50.1 secs.	Tenison Nelson Heste Wharton 53.2 secs.	Heste Nelson Wharton Tenison 60.6 secs.

Final Result:-

1	Wharton	140½
2	Tenison	109
3	Heste	89½
4	Nelson	67

The Editor's Page.

The preacher on Founder's Day was Canon Gillian. The Acting Headmaster and Mrs. G.V. Couper entertained Canon and Mrs. Gillian and other visiting clergy to coffee with members of the Staff before the service and afterwards to lunch in the School Hall.

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In the second week of the Easter Holiday a party of 33 boys and 3 staff stayed at Zell am Ziller, between Innsbruck and Salzburg, in Austria. The journey started with a hovercraft crossing to the Continent and then was followed by a long bus journey to Austria. Visits were enjoyed to Innsbruck, Salzburg, Berchtesgaden, the Brenner Pass and the Krimml Falls, the highest in Europe. In all 2,500 miles were covered in the week. There was an overnight stop in Holland on both the outward and return journey - and so back to England, this time by ferry!

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Some thirty boys from both Sixth Forms attended the Geography Field Course held, this year, at Saltburn, North Yorkshire, at the end of the Easter Term. The work included the study of the North Yorkshire Moors, of the coastal features in Robin Hood's Bay, and a visit to a Middlesborough Steel Works. Accommodation was at the Saltburn Youth Hostel which proved very friendly indeed.

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A party of forty boys under the leadership of Mr. Seaden and Mr. Ball left Norwich on April 11th for an Easter visit to St. Malo in France. The party had many niggling problems throughout the week, including an enforced stay in a girls' convent school. However, on the whole, the visit was a successful one, and the weather was kind. Visits were made to Dinan (where the School lost 1-4 to a local youth soccer team), Dinard, les Sables d'Or, le Mont St. Michel, Combourg, Dol, Fougeres and the Utah Beach, the scene of the amphibious landings during World War II.

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Regular sessions of badminton were enjoyed by some 30 to 40 boys both in dinner hours and after school during the two winter terms. The general standard continued to improve and several boys distinguished themselves in the County tournaments, notably Coggins, who won both the Singles and the Doubles Under 16 County Competition, and Butler, Pennington and Jones, who all reached the late stages of the Norfolk Schools Competition. In our own limited fixtures, the Seniors lost both matches against Hanonals but beat Cromer, the juniors won their match against Cromer. We intend to enter the Under 16 Norfolk Schools League in 1976/7 and, with a number of promising players in the middle school, hope to field a strong team.

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The Bridge Club enjoyed a large membership this year. Two games were played against Denes High School, Lowestoft with two teams of four and on the two occasions both teams won comfortably. In the East Anglian Schools Tournament, held at Denes, the School A Team lost the trophy won last year, coming a close second in the competition. In the Daily Mail Schools' Cup the team had a very unfortunate session and was knocked out in the first round, held at Ipswich School. The A team consisted of: R.W. Harland (captain), J.D. Cole, N.J. Woolven and H.D. Brown.

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In the Spring of this year the Paston School Table Tennis Club was formed, largely through the efforts of Mr. T. Seadon, with the provision of a table, net and balls by the School. With about a quarter of the members of the School joining, sufficient money was raised by subscriptions to purchase another table and, although it cannot be used every day owing to lack of space, it has proved to be a valuable asset. In the next year we look forward to increasing our membership and, with the Norfolk Table Tennis Championships approaching, it is anticipated that a team will represent the School.

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1st XI Hockey

This team was potentially the best for many years. Of the few school games played only one was lost and that by just one goal. The unavoidable disruption to fixtures caused by the School's long run in the E.S.F.A. Competition and also to training, injuries and the difficulty in re-arranging fixtures robbed the team of the success promised and deserved. We are grateful to Eaton and Langley for their for earance and co-operation.

The regulars in the team all acquitted themselves well. Spirited goal-keeping by Heavens, and cool and efficient covering by the two backs, Dicks and Shaw, gave the whole side a confident base from which to attack. Coggins, at centre-half, one of the youngest in the side, was always unruffled and brought many an attack to a halt with his 'backhand' stopping and deceptive speed.

Forwards who caught the eye were Marshall, whose speed up the right flank and ability to cross the ball behind the opposition defence spearheaded many attacks, and Brown and Green who worked hard in attack and defence. Nichols as captain always set an example of effort, deceptive skill and, above all, the determination to win. He had the unusual and difficult task of leading both the soccer and hockey XIs in the same term and - to his credit - he did the job very well.

The Old Boys - a team of fairly young Old Pastonians, many of whom had forsaken that 'other game' - taught the School a few lessons in how to win decisively. We were pleased to see Graham Wilton amongst them; he is now with the County P.E. Staff.

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Christmas Dance

A dance for parents and friends of the School on the 17th December raised, with a tombola, just over £200 for School funds. We were grateful to Mrs. G. Seaman and her helpers for running the bar and to the Pete Mitchell Trio for the music. It is hoped it will be possible to repeat this event in the future.

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Save the Children Fund

IVG ran a Bring and Buy Stall during Open Day. As a result of this and an end of term concert organised by the form's pop group "Contemporary Music" a donation of £54.25 was sent to this Charity.

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Tenison - H.D. Brown.

Nelson - A.R. Heavens.

Wharton - P.S. Couch.

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Shooting - H.J. Crook.

Hockey - R. Nichols.

Gross Country - B.C. Green.

Cricket - C.E. Baker.

Tennis - I.C. Coggins.

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President 1975/76: W.A. Fiske Esq.

The main achievement of the year has been the successful publication of the 'History of the Paston School' by C.R. Forder. We are all deeply indebted to the author for the vast amount of work that he has put into this project, and also to P.H. Barnard who took on a mammoth task as the Treasurer of the Subscription Fund - which also involved the distribution of copies. Copies are still available (hardback at £5 - 50; paperback at £2 - 50) from the School or from B.A. Watts (Bookseller) of Sheringham.

At the Annual Dinner, held on September 11th at the Hotel Norwich, we were happy to welcome Mr. K.M. Harro who replied to the toast "The Paston School". It was good also to welcome a number of the Old Pastonians to their first Old Boys' Dinner. At the A.G.M., after the Dinner, H. Pascoe was elected President.

Membership of the Society is open to all Old Boys of the Paston School. A subscription of only £2 will secure life membership!

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