

THE CHESS CLUB.

Provides expert tuition and arranges inter-House and inter-School matches.

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

Is open to all new boys who may be interested.

Other activities, such as the "FAVOR-ITES" CLUB, and the SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY are largely confined to members of the Upper School, but the latter has frequent 'open' meetings and film shows.

THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

Is open to all new boys, including those in the First Forms.

The Club is always on the look-out for opportunities to serve members e.g., by the production of a School Christmas Card, etc., and particularly in the organising of foreign travel for older members in the holidays. Club Members receive a free copy of the annual School Magazine (The Heathen) and are automatically members of the Grammar Schools' Athletic Association, with free admission to the annual Joint Sports. For some years past, membership of the School Club has been 100 %

SCOUT TROOP.

The School Scout Troop, the 2nd. (H.G.S.) Halifax, was founded over fifty years ago. It consists of a Junior (Under 15) Troop and a Senior Troop. Application to join the Troop should be made to the Head Master. Boys who are already members of other Scout Troops, or have belonged to Cub Packs in Halifax, do not normally transfer to the 2nd. Halifax Troop except by special permission.

THE PARENTS' ASSOCIATION.

This very flourishing Association exists for the encouragement of close co-operation between parents and Staff. It holds "year-group", general and social meetings. The subscription is a nominal one of 1/- per parent per year. You are most strongly urged to join this Association: forms of application for membership will be sent to you early in the term, before the Annual General Meeting.

PUNCTUALITY.

Boys have to be in their Form Rooms by 8.55 a.m. and 1.55 p.m. Lateness is regarded as a serious crime, which received a correspondingly unpleasant punishment. Parents are reminded that there is a Saturday morning, school, and no lessons on Wednesday afternoon. They will be surprised to find that their boys very soon come to like this novel arrangement!

PHYSICAL EDUCATION.

All boys not permanently excused by medical certificate are expected to take part in regular Physical Education in school time - 2 periods of Games and 2 periods of P.T. per week, including normally one period of swimming. All these activities are lessons under skilled instructors. Applications for permanent excuse from all or any of these activities must be made at the beginning of term in writing to the Head Master. Applications for temporary excuse after illness or accident should be made to Mr. Birchall.

ALL BOYS MUST TAKE A WARM SHOWER AFTER EACH GAMES OR P.T. LESSON, and THEY MUST BRING A BATH TOWEL TO SCHOOL FOR THIS PURPOSE.

OCCASIONAL ABSENCES.

School Rule No.2 states "No boy may be absent except for illness or emergency, unless previous permission has been obtained from the Head Master."

For the information of parents, and in order to prevent disappointments, I must point out that I do not give permission for absences to attend such functions as Church, Sunday School or Works outings, sporting events not connected with this School, or weddings other than of members of the School. Boys who are absent from School to attend