



THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN 1952

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Few could be satisfied with the Public School cricket in 1952. The recent improvement was not maintained. Indeed the standard slipped back, and particularly in fielding, that department in which excellence should be inevitable. If loose-limbed youngsters cannot be trained to field well, it is a sad reflection on the coaching methods in the Schools. It is not so long ago that Peter May was omitted from the representative Schools team at Lord's because his fielding was not considered good enough. The experience was not wasted on him, and to-day he excels in the field. Nothing of that sort could be done last summer. To attempt it would have left the Schools without a full team against Combined Services. So numerous slovenly fielders missed a necessary lesson. The fault was not entirely due to lack of skill. In some cases there was insufficient concentration and keenness. In the first innings of the representative trial game at Lord's a series of slip catches went to ground because the fielder—one from a most famous cricketing school—was frequently standing upright and inattentive.

There was also evidence in plenty of faulty instruction. Cheltenham, for instance, came to Lord's with a slip fielder who stood with legs so widely straddled that he was immobile until a vast heave at the end of each over freed him, with much exertion, for his walk to the other end. Cheltenham, it is true, were handicapped by illness which kept their coach, H. Hammond, inactive throughout the summer. Other Schools had less excuse for turning out ignorant cricketers.

More than once I have written here that those things which can be taught in a net are often well taught, but that far too little general cricket instruction is given in the Schools. It was clear that in 1952 there had been too little fielding practice and instruction in field tactics. Such matters as running between wickets, field placing and, indeed, even the requirements of individual positions in the field seemed to have been left to chance.

The blunders in the field and the slovenly approach to fielding on the part of so many presumed leading players of the year left such a deep impression that the merits of those players in other directions tended to be obscured. Yet, forgetting the fielding, it was still obvious that there were not such good School players in 1952 as in 1951. There was never any prospect of the brilliant 1951 win against Combined Services being repeated. The Services, largely composed of young players, had so much in hand that at times they appeared to be marking time.

In the earlier game, Southern Schools v. The Rest, the sides were evenly matched, but rain cut the match by half, and evidence

to help the selectors in picking the representative team was inconclusive. Perhaps the unluckiest player on that account was D. A. Fenner, the Epsom left-arm spin bowler who looked better on the opening day than C. Dean of Highgate. Dean was in the 1951 side. He had been consistently successful for his School and was again selected to the exclusion of Fenner. I thought him a less promising bowler than in the previous year. He had lost some of his accuracy and with it some of his flight. Fenner had height, of which he made full use, and varied his pace quite well. From a good, controlled action he spun the ball noticeably more than Dean, who has not the action of a spinner. In the event Dean justified the selectors by taking five first innings wickets against the Services.

While Dean had not come along quite as hoped, much the same could be said of R. A. Gale of Bedford Modern. He also was in the 1951 team, and now he became captain of the Public Schools. He was concentrating more on his left-hand batting, and his right-arm off-break bowling seemed to have become a minor consideration. He was a prolific scorer at School—725 runs with an average of 90. At Lord's he made no score of note but stayed long enough to give the impression of having been over-coached. He was most obviously a product of the old coaching at Lord's, which was only recently revised by the M.C.C.'s own coaching manual based on the highly successful methods of the Sandham and Gover Indoor School.

Among the numerous disappointments was the off-spin bowling of J. C. Dare. He and Dean had carried all before them in the Highgate team for two summers. Dare seemed steady enough, but his bowling, founded on a short walk which could not accurately be described as a run-up, lacked life and subtlety. Perhaps his School success had been too easily gained and he missed the incentive to strive for something extra. It would have been instructive to compare these two off-spinners, Gale and Dare, with M. J. S. Preece, whose well-flighted bowling was Rugby's winning factor against Marlborough. It seemed that Rugby would have been more strongly represented in the trial game by Preece than by R. A. Hunt, whose all-round cricket did not go beyond the useful stage.

Of the pace bowlers J. K. Hall of Lancing was clearly the best. He was a big, powerful youngster who bowled quite fast and had a particularly awkward break-back from the off. It was noticeable that he bowled consistently from the far end of the crease. He might find it helpful to move nearer the stumps. While this applies much less to the pace bowlers, it does seem that School players generally are unaware of the advantages to be gained by making varied use of the crease's width. The slower bowlers would gain much from varying the angle of their approach and the distance from which they bowl.

The other selected pace bowler was J. B. Phillips who had taken 52 wickets cheaply for King's, Canterbury. He too was tall, a bowler of lively medium pace and a fair action who used the out-swing. The best action among the quicker bowlers was that of the Cheltonian, P. H. Blackburn, but he was too erratic to challenge Hall and Phillips at all closely.

The Schools attack was completed by R. W. Barber, an all-rounder from Ruthin. He was quite the steadiest leg-break bowler seen in these matches since the war. Barber also bowled the googly well and was a worthy replacement for R. V. C. Robins. A finger injury unfortunately prevented the latter from bowling leg-breaks throughout the term. He changed to off-breaks with considerable success and so was able to continue as a valuable member of the Eton side. Again, however, Robins did much less with the bat than was expected from a player of his ability.

Like the other fielding positions that of the stumper was not strongly held in 1952. The wicket-keeping standard in the inter-School games at Lord's was low, and the representative trial game revealed less than usual skill in the position. E. E. Greenhalgh of Repton looked the better keeper, but his advantage was not sufficient to counter the superior batting skill of Harrow's C. R. J. Hawke. Except that there was sometimes a gap between bat and pad in his forward play Hawke's batting was sound. It was modern in the sense that his backlift tended to be too brief, as was that of Barber who shared with him a plucky and most praiseworthy stand when the Schools were in serious trouble against the Services. The shortness of their swings deprived both these young batsmen of some attacking power.

One day of the trial game was sufficient to substantiate the claim that Radley were the strongest batting side of the year. Two of their numerous high scorers, A. C. Walton and E. R. Dexter, were included and looked the most mature batsmen in the game. At the time I made particular note of their excellent footwork. Walton was a graceful opener who made his strokes effortlessly, Dexter a strong, aggressive number four who drove beautifully and hooked more surely than most School players. Equally mature, as the subsequent Services match showed, was A. B. D. Parsons of Brighton, a little fellow with splendid strokes off the front foot. His 27 in the first innings was the best piece of schoolboy batting in the representative match.

I also liked the look of G. P. S. Delisle of Stonyhurst. Delisle was a stroke maker who drove well and biffed the ball strongly off his back foot. His powerful wrists and a sense of timing were valuable batting assets. Successful also at Lord's was P. D. Croft from Gresham's, Holt. He was a steady performer who came through a troublesome period against Hall's pace in the trial game and made some good strokes as he gathered confidence without,

however, quite inspiring full confidence in those watching. There was as yet something coltish and uncoordinated about his batting. To follow the first six were Hawke, Barber, whose batting only required more punch to lift him in the order, and Hall, a cheerful clouter of the ball. There should have been plenty of batting, but the performances against the Service bowlers were generally disappointing.

There were other useful batsmen in reserve, particularly P. L. B. Stoddart, a good looking Etonian batsman, and W. J. Downey, a hefty player from Sedbergh who will make better use of his strength when he learns to free his elbows from their usual position tucked close to his sides. One who would have been on show was D. H. W. Bolton. He was a batsman whose excellent eye and powers of concentration so far triumphed over a most unusual and seemingly faulty style that he scored more than 1,000 runs for Haileybury. He was not available for the representative games.

Another notable absentee was M. D. Scott. He was kept out of most of Winchester's matches by illness and could not be considered. On the form he showed at Lord's in 1951 he would surely have lifted the wicket-keeping standard. Some surprise was occasioned by the omission of D. J. Hulbert, whose pace bowling was the chief reason why Harrow defeated Eton. The selectors pointed out reasonably that he looked very good on two or three occasions, when he took most of his wickets, but on other occasions looked quite ordinary. Moreover, he was due for another year at School and would have another chance of playing in these games.

So far as individual schools are concerned the features of a generally moderate season were perhaps the batting strength of Radley and the bowling of Repton. It was also pleasing to note signs that Rugby cricket, long in the dumps, was recovering. Their remarkable win at Lord's, where Marlborough apparently had the game safe, should do them much good. It is true Marlborough threw the game away. Their troubles started with a ridiculous run out and continued when subsequent batsmen played with pawky indecision. But Rugby deserve every credit for seeing their chance and crowding on the pressure. The Western Schools, who have generally had the better of the games since the war, fared badly in that week at Lord's. Before Marlborough's defeat Clifton were beaten by Tonbridge, and subsequently Haileybury were the masters in a drawn game with Cheltenham.

Finally I would draw attention to the unusual bowling feat of twin brothers in Wallasey Grammar School's annual two-innings match with the Masters. Between them they shared all 20 wickets. James Wood (slow) took twelve for 100 runs and William Wood (fast) took the other eight for 99. Even the Bedsers have never matched that performance.

THE SCHOOLS

The name of the captain is indicated thus †
Innings marked * are not out.

ALDENHAM SCHOOL

Played 15, Won 2, Lost 12, Drawn 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†P. C. Heron	16	2	418	100*	29.85
C. J. Newton	16	3	382	82*	29.38
E. J. Bentley	15	2	178	43*	13.69
E. S. White	15	0	175	40	11.66
P. S. F. Toogood	12	1	119	37	10.81

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
E. S. White	206.1	38	626	41	15.26
P. M. Bolt	143	32	414	21	19.71
N. J. M. Richardson	117.5	21	427	18	23.72
T. C. Constable	74.2	3	357	14	25.50

ALLEYN'S SCHOOL

Apart from R. J. Brace, who bowled in-swingers at considerable pace, the team suffered through lack of experience.

Played 16, Won 2, Lost 11, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. L. Herdson	16	1	265	57*	17.66
R. J. Brace	14	2	204	44	17.00
P. J. Wells	10	1	135	54*	15.00

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. J. Brace	180.2	42	597	63	9.47
D. H. Beadle	59	15	222	12	18.50

ALLHALLOWS SCHOOL

Played 14, Won 5, Lost 4, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
N. J. Walter	16	1	438	71	29.20
J. A. Torrance	14	2	254	53	21.16
D. E. J. Rawle	11	4	143	32	20.42
R. E. C. Strofton	16	0	299	55	18.68
J. B. Hewett	16	0	269	60	16.81
†R. O. Hudson	16	2	196	44	14.00
S. W. MacGregor	15	3	124	28	10.33

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. E. J. Rawle	87	14	236	17	13.88
R. O. Hudson	181.2	31	506	36	14.05
K. W. Willcocks	69.1	8	208	14	14.85
B. Bowen	132.1	26	419	26	16.11

AMPLEFORTH COLLEGE

Three players earned special distinction in a satisfactory season. They were the captain, M. W. Hattrell, a very good wicket-keeper; O. R. Wynne, an all-rounder who narrowly missed selection for the representative match at Lord's, and P. D. Blackledge, who developed into a genuinely fast bowler.

Played 12, Won 3, Lost 2, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
O. R. Wynne	11	1	368	100	36.80
J. E. Kirby	11	1	337	76	33.70
R. P. Liston	7	2	101	59	20.20
M. W. Tarleton	11	0	169	35	15.36
P. A. Cramer	10	0	143	60	14.30

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. D. Blackledge	166.2	41	434	36	12.05
O. R. Wynne	74.2	7	262	20	13.10
M. W. Tarleton	119	23	347	18	19.27
A. N. Slinger	74.5	8	306	14	21.85

BEAUMONT COLLEGE

After a discouraging start, Beaumont developed into a useful side. P. A. Raymond-Barker, the captain, and M. B. Gubbins batted specially well at times, and Raymond-Barker's 156 against Douai was the highest score ever made for the school. One of the brightest features was the form of P. J. Stow, a young leg-spinner in his first season in the XI, who maintained remarkable accuracy for a bowler of his type.

Played 15, Won 4, Lost 6, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. B. Gubbins	16	0	407	89	25.43
†P. A. Raymond-Barker	17	1	386	156	24.12
P. W. Parker	16	1	261	61	17.40
M. Embry	13	2	142	37	12.90
J. Quinn	11	0	119	35	10.81

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. J. Stow	196	48	580	52	11.15
P. W. Parker	120	33	316	25	12.64
J. Melville	150	38	423	22	19.22
M. B. Gubbins	115	40	284	12	23.66

BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL

In R. A. Gale, the captain, Bedford Modern possessed one of the outstanding schoolboy cricketers of the season. A tall, elegant left-handed opening batsman and useful off-spin bowler, Gale dominated most of the school matches but failed with the bat in both representative games at Lord's, where he captained the Schools against Combined Services. Apart from Gale, K. P. Whiting and G. Millman batted well, and G. M. Jarrett showed special promise as a leg-spin bowler.

Played 10, Won 6, Lost 0, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†R. A. Gale	10	2	725	140	90.26
K. P. Whiting	9	2	210	98	30.00
G. Millman	11	3	219	56*	27.37

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. A. Gale	174.1	53	373	36	10.36
A. E. Palmer	110.2	25	252	19	13.26
G. M. Jarrett	102.5	14	356	25	14.24

BEDFORD SCHOOL

Stronger in batting than for many years, Bedford beat Oundle, Aldenham and The Leys, drew with Stowe, and lost to Dulwich and Tonbridge. M. S. Meeson, an attractive, free-scoring batsman, received strong support from two newcomers, the twin brothers P. and J. Smith, as well as from R. A. Collinge and R. W. Street. J. Smith and Collinge also did well with the ball, but Street's bowling fell away considerably. J. D. S. Hay, young medium-paced, was the most successful bowler.

Played 15, Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†M. S. Meeson	14	5	524	146	58.22
J. Smith	13	2	401	74	36.45
R. A. Collinge	14	2	361	92	30.08
R. W. Street	17	1	427	73	26.68
P. Smith	15	2	282	40	21.69
P. C. Eldridge	11	1	209	47	20.90
D. Coley	13	1	158	37	13.16
J. D. S. Hay	13	1	138	53	11.50

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. D. S. Hay	129.2	24	431	23	18.73
R. A. Collinge	135	17	385	18	21.38
J. O. Murray-Clarke	180.2	26	577	26	22.19
J. Smith	91	3	331	14	23.64
R. W. Street	123.3	11	535	16	33.43

BERKHAMSTED SCHOOL

Played 12, Won 5, Lost 4, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†J. M. Owens	12	4	222	55*	27.75
R. W. Bourne	12	0	211	85	17.55
A. G. O'Shea	12	1	127	42	11.54

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
W. R. Aris	152.3	42	307	34	9.02
I. D. Golding	151	32	353	35	10.08
A. G. O'Shea	82.4	17	208	12	17.33

BISHOP'S STORTFORD COLLEGE

Played 11, Won 3, Lost 3, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. Paterson	9	3	182	57*	30.33
†P. G. Collett	11	1	243	54	24.30
A. M. Hazell	10	2	150	38	18.75
N. C. Small	11	1	174	79*	17.40
C. I. M. Jones	10	1	150	41	16.66
M. P. Grover	9	0	146	52	16.22
M. J. Schwier	10	0	115	41	11.50

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. F. T. Brownhill	122	20	362	21	17.24
C. I. M. Jones	135.3	21	394	20	19.70
W. L. Wild	63.5	13	251	12	20.91
J. S. L. Bewers	90	17	295	11	26.81

BLUNDELL'S SCHOOL

With five old colours in the side, Blundell's expected greater success. The batting and bowling was unreliable, although D. J. Shepherd showed fine all-round ability.

Played 11, Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. J. Shepherd	13	0	304	58	23.38
J. H. Newark	11	3	148	36*	18.50
C. W. M. Grose	10	2	143	31	17.87
D. H. Hill	13	3	172	36	17.20
G. E. Watts	10	1	134	39*	14.88
D. M. R. Lewis	9	1	117	35*	14.62
†D. G. Petrie	9	0	106	33	11.77

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. J. Shepherd	123.2	20	379	32	11.84
J. H. Newark	69.3	8	235	17	13.82
D. H. Hill	144.1	23	433	22	19.68
C. W. M. Grose	127.5	33	380	17	22.35
M. A. C. Marshall	120.3	18	328	13	25.23

BRENTWOOD SCHOOL

The enterprising captaincy and good all-round form of B. Goodwin played a large part in Brentwood's success. Recognition came with his choice as 12th man for the Schools' Trial at Lord's. The medium-paced away-swingers of H. P. Roberts and brilliant catching by S. E. Odammten were other features of the side's entertaining cricket.

Played 16, Won 9, Lost 3, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†B. Goodwin	12	4	288	96*	36.00
J. R. B. Meehan	14	2	283	54*	23.58
D. J. Pasterfield	16	3	278	68*	21.38
P. H. H. Stevens	9	1	170	82	21.25
S. E. Odammten	15	2	256	54	19.69
M. C. Allen	11	2	121	31	13.44
H. P. Roberts	14	4	127	28*	12.70

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
H. P. Roberts	242	85	580	52	11.15
B. Goodwin	156.3	33	440	34	12.94
J. R. B. Meehan	180.1	52	469	28	16.75

BRIGHTON COLLEGE

For the first time since 1885 Brighton were unbeaten. A. B. D. Parsons, the captain, fully maintained the promise of previous seasons as a batsman. Overcoming his lack of height by grand footwork, Parsons hit the ball very hard and scored two centuries. After leading Southern Schools against The Rest he was one of the Schools' most impressive batsmen against the Combined Services, and he also played with success for Surrey II. D. I. Stewart also made two centuries, R. L. Enfield showed great improvement, and the admirably balanced attack was backed by excellent fielding.

Played 14, Won 9, Lost 0, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†A. B. D. Parsons	14	4	807	147*	80.70
R. L. Enfield	11	5	298	66*	49.66
D. I. Stewart	14	1	578	138	44.46
G. C. Smith	12	2	251	81	25.10
A. F. Holker	9	1	170	72*	21.25
I. O. Dowding	10	3	140	33*	20.00
R. M. Cardew	12	2	169	38	16.90

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
N. F. Dingemans	121.3	19	337	26	12.96
G. C. Halliday	170.5	34	479	33	14.51
D. I. Stewart	96	14	256	15	17.06
A. B. D. Parsons	55.4	7	295	17	17.35
I. O. Dowding	118	19	358	13	27.53

BROMSGROVE SCHOOL

Played 11, Won 1, Lost 4, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. D. Thomas	13	3	298	101*	29.80
J. M. Smith	13	0	272	92	20.92
H. C. Seager	12	2	192	39	19.20
†T. M. Mitchell	13	2	206	70*	18.72
T. E. Whitton	13	0	237	57	18.23
R. G. Black	11	1	175	49	17.50
W. M. Haines	12	0	151	42	12.58

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
W. M. Haines	41.4	10	129	12	10.75
R. G. Black	130.5	19	400	22	18.18
H. C. Seager	95.4	14	276	13	21.23
T. M. Mitchell	115.4	21	331	13	25.46

BRYANSTON SCHOOL

Exceptionally fast scoring and hostile bowling enabled the team to win many matches more comfortably than seemed possible. G. K. Paterson, the captain, and I. S. G. Metcalfe, only 15, batted specially well. Metcalfe showed promise also of developing into a genuinely fast bowler.

Played 11, Won 7, Lost 3, Drawn 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†G. K. Paterson	12	3	415	101	46.11
I. S. G. Metcalfe	11	0	337	133	30.63
C. A. Porter	13	1	191	40	15.91
E. R. J. Owen	11	2	134	69	14.88
A. R. Beattie	13	1	178	33	14.83
J. C. Clark	7	0	103	47	14.71

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
I. S. G. Metcalfe	57.4	22	103	15	6.86
A. R. Beattie	143	38	314	35	8.97
R. P. King	108.3	27	272	24	11.33
G. K. Paterson	108	34	226	17	13.29
K. Billington	133.3	28	279	20	13.95

CANFORD SCHOOL

Played 15, Won 3, Lost 7, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†B. L. G. Kenny	16	2	427	92	30.50
T. A. B. Connell	8	1	185	54	26.42
J. R. Belfrage	14	0	284	119	20.28
A. J. Nelson	14	2	188	44	15.66
J. P. S. Smyth	16	1	211	53	14.06
A. E. Fuddy	11	1	140	60	14.00
P. M. Davis	14	1	135	19	10.38

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. M. Davis	117	16	393	22	17.86
J. G. F. Jenkins	174	31	571	27	21.14
B. L. G. Kenny	90	12	632	29	21.79
M. G. Chambers	115	13	472	10	47.20

CHARTERHOUSE SCHOOL

The side contained many fine stroke-players, notably G. D. Roynon, R. I. G. Hardcastle, J. C. D. Pilley and R. P. Carless, but lacked penetration in attack. The fast-medium bowling of H. M. A. Cherry-Downes proved less effective than in 1951, and again the need was apparent of someone capable of spinning the ball away from the bat. R. C. Pegler led the team intelligently and experienced the good fortune of winning the toss ten times in succession. His fielding at backward short-leg set a splendid example.

Played 13, Won 3, Lost 3, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
G. D. Roynon	8	0	284	57	35.50
J. C. D. Pilley	15	2	366	157*	28.15
R. P. Carless	14	2	297	72	24.75
R. I. G. Hardcastle	13	0	313	65	24.07
J. A. C. Cann	11	2	174	57*	19.33
†R. C. Pegler	15	1	256	65	18.28
H. C. Cairns	15	2	232	45	17.84
T. L. Todhunter	11	1	176	44*	17.60
M. C. Bryant	11	0	141	47	12.81

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
H. M. A. Cherry-Downes	175.5	31	556	27	20.59
I. M. Surman	102.5	23	294	13	22.61
H. C. Cairns	135	24	473	18	26.27
M. C. Bryant	130.5	22	428	16	26.75

CHELTENHAM COLLEGE

Strong in bowling but weak in batting, Cheltenham met with mixed fortune in a season which produced only one draw. The captain, P. H. Blackburn, bowled fast-medium well enough to be

selected for the Schools Trial at Lord's, and he received good support from H. R. P. Thompson with off-spin.

Played 13, Won 6, Lost 6, Drawn 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. A. Naylor	16	1	359	54	23.93
T. H. Unwin	9	0	182	110	20.22
H. R. P. Thompson	17	0	326	41	19.17
†P. H. Blackburn	16	0	282	59	17.62
R. R. Kershaw	17	1	268	34*	16.75
D. S. Reynolds	11	0	146	43	13.27
J. le M. Lawrence	17	1	211	32	13.18

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. H. Blackburn	196.1	49	532	44	12.09
H. R. P. Thompson	225.5	48	677	48	14.10
D. S. Reynolds	55	11	174	10	17.40
P. H. Seddon	161.2	32	440	21	20.95
D. J. G. James	72	8	267	12	22.25

CHIGWELL SCHOOL

Played 13, Won 3, Lost 4, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
P. A. Vear	13	3	221	50	22.10
†G. B. Dyer	13	1	195	61	16.25
M. F. Deakin	13	1	191	37	15.91
G. M. Holliwell	13	3	156	61*	15.60

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. S. G. Witter	139.3	30	372	29	12.82
G. B. Dyer	89.2	6	347	23	15.08
L. N. Jones	89.4	18	252	13	19.38

CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL

Played 15, Won 7, Lost 4, Drawn 3, Abandoned 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
R. B. Tilford	15	1	334	111	23.85
C. J. B. Green	15	0	319	59	21.26
G. J. Chidgey	15	1	293	63	20.92
†C. N. K. Tizard	15	2	250	44	19.23
N. J. Whatley	10	1	111	35	12.33
R. A. Leeder	13	2	127	33	11.54

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
G. J. Chidgey	90	12	291	28	10.39
G. S. Boag	87	24	168	14	12.00
C. N. K. Tizard	91	15	256	19	13.47
D. Bignell	134	38	321	19	16.89
R. A. Leeder	118	27	291	15	19.40

CLIFTON COLLEGE

Clifton experienced a poor season, none of the batsman and only T. F. C. Hanson, of the bowlers, revealing the form expected. Wickets were too often thrown away in the endeavour to score quickly. Hanson's slow off-breaks were particularly effective against school sides, but of these only Marlborough were beaten. The matches with Cheltenham, Tonbridge, Rugby and Sherborne were all lost.

Played 13, Won 2, Lost 9, Drawn 2

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
R. G. Newman	18	0	454	51	25.22
J. R. P. Spooner- Lillingston	11	0	259	62	23.54
†R. C. Callinan	16	1	340	73*	22.66
R. D. Bonham-Carter ..	18	4	285	52	20.35
A. F. Martin	16	0	248	61	15.50

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
T. F. C. Hanson	201.2	33	596	38	15.76
R. E. Birley	73	8	221	11	20.09
T. J. Rowberry	97	11	300	14	21.42
S. T. G. Morgan	105.3	11	367	17	21.58
G. H. Jackson	125	25	361	14	25.78

CRANBROOK SCHOOL

Played 14, Won 7, Lost 6, Drawn 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
C. F. Edwards	14	1	345	74*	26.53
†D. K. Penfold	9	0	178	85	19.77
D. P. Mackenzie	12	0	231	37	19.25
J. T. R. Keefe	14	0	228	33	16.28
J. R. C. Webster	14	1	205	39	15.76
I. A. G. Thomson	14	0	195	50	13.92
I. F. Harris	13	1	149	35*	12.41

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
I. A. G. Thomson	230.2	74	576	51	11.29
J. R. C. Webster	189.1	38	493	30	16.43
C. F. Edwards	92.3	14	356	14	25.42

CRANLEIGH SCHOOL

Cranleigh did much better than expected, thanks mainly to the efforts of the captain, R. W. Elsdon-Dew, who was the mainstay of the batting and was also an effective bowler. N. J. G. Christie at slip and R. Hookway, the wicket-keeper, stood out in a good fielding side.

Played 12, Won 5, Lost 4, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†R. W. Elsdon-Dew	12	2	436	137*	43.60
N. J. G. Christie	12	2	266	85*	26.60
A. L. K. Liddle	13	2	268	62	24.36
J. H. Bates	13	0	207	45	15.92
J. H. Bates	10	1	136	58	15.11
P. T. Barnard	11	0	138	26	12.54
D. W. M. Couper	11	0	138	26	12.54
J. D. Siddall	12	1	129	30	11.72

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. T. Barnard	121.3	23	309	22	14.04
J. B. Macqueen	157.3	42	343	23	14.91
R. W. Elsdon-Dew	101	17	311	20	15.55
D. W. M. Couper	62	15	162	10	16.20
I. O. Holmes	97	19	267	12	22.25
L. H. Godfrey	90	13	316	12	26.33

CULFORD SCHOOL

School Matches—Played 8, Won 3, Lost 2, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. H. Franks	15	2	249	49	19.15
S. C. Macdonald	14	2	212	45	17.66
C. T. Rucklidge	13	2	184	58	16.72
C. N. Last	11	1	149	51	14.90
M. W. Prior	10	0	139	52	13.90

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. O. Punchard	137.5	28	484	39	12.41
M. W. Prior	145	40	366	25	14.64
C. T. Rucklidge	127.5	27	370	21	17.61

DEAN CLOSE SCHOOL

Played 12, Won 4, Lost 3, Drawn 4, Abandoned 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. G. Dash	12	3	433	97	48.11
J. H. Lutley	11	2	279	80	31.00
R. Wintle	12	0	310	71	25.83
M. C. Womersley	12	1	143	30	13.00
M. J. Stock	12	1	128	30	11.63

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
†C. L. Hodgetts	85.4	21	212	23	9.22
R. F. Knight	126.4	25	374	28	13.35

DENSTONE COLLEGE

J. D. Short stood out in a strong batting side and he was assisted by J. M. Illingworth in three century opening partnerships in school matches. The attack lacked an effective pace bowler and the fielding was often faulty.

Played 10, Won 2, Lost 1, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. D. Short	10	1	551	105	61.22
J. M. Illingworth	10	1	354	73	39.33
†P. K. Fairclough	9	2	204	50	29.14
B. L. Norbury	9	2	184	60	26.28
A. C. Dracup	9	1	198	68*	24.75

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
K. A. Biggin	105.5	30	293	20	14.65
J. R. F. Curry	165	49	353	15	23.53
J. D. Short	135	33	359	15	23.93

DOVER COLLEGE

Played 12, Won 3, Lost 8, Drawn 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†R. R. Bairamian	13	1	350	108	29.16
D. H. Gerty	13	0	300	100	23.07
R. P. Heaton	11	2	148	45	16.44
A. R. Lousada	11	1	157	48*	15.70
E. M. S. Woodman	9	1	105	19*	13.12
R. H. Mozley	11	1	124	42*	12.40
H. A. Fagan	13	0	139	73	10.69

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. R. Bairamian	105.4	10	444	24	18.50
E. M. S. Woodman	98	17	311	15	20.73
R. H. Mozley	139	29	456	17	26.82
A. R. Stocken	122	30	423	13	32.53

DOWNSIDE SCHOOL

Played 13, Won 5, Lost 3, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
S. M. Quinn	14	1	465	102*	35.76
M. G. Livingstone	14	0	443	88	31.64
A. C. Giggins	13	4	171	53*	19.00
A. B. Vyvyan	9	1	125	55	15.62
J. D. Lomas	13	0	196	52	15.07
†J. N. Antrobus	14	0	161	36	11.50
J. W. Chalk	12	0	121	27	10.08

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. D. Lomas	179.4	47	406	39	10.41
A. C. Giggins	109.1	29	285	27	10.55
G. Davis	218.3	69	470	39	12.05
F. M. Reynolds	75.1	17	254	11	23.09

DULWICH COLLEGE

Beginning with five old colours, J. S. Howard built a fine team, consistent in batting and resourceful in attack. Five of the eight school matches were won and only two lost.

Played 16, Won 5, Lost 6, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
G. W. Cook	15	4	573	144*	52.09
P. T. R. Brown	12	0	322	102	26.83
M. A. Shirley	12	4	196	49	24.50
B. Lane	15	1	288	83	20.57
K. N. Taylor	15	0	307	59	20.46
†J. S. Howard	10	4	111	43*	18.50
J. A. Abbott	9	2	112	48*	16.00
S. J. Lam	16	1	232	46	15.46
C. B. Howland	16	3	185	33	14.23

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
N. L. Warren	195	48	561	35	16.02
J. S. Howard	177	27	536	26	20.61
G. W. Cook	101	15	348	14	24.85
K. N. Taylor	109	19	355	12	29.58

DURHAM SCHOOL

Played 14, Won 4, Lost 6, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†G. A. Tiffin	14	1	221	36*	17.00
D. H. L. Duns	13	2	146	59*	13.27
E. P. Farrage	11	1	132	34	13.20
T. Hutchinson	11	2	107	42	11.88
J. E. C. Potts	12	0	139	31	11.58
C. J. Constable	13	0	143	52	11.00

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
G. A. Tiffin	126.3	13	393	30	13.10
J. C. Roberts	153	37	430	26	16.53
J. Calder	90.3	9	315	14	22.50

EASTBOURNE COLLEGE

Eastbourne fared considerably better against club sides than against schools, who inflicted all five defeats. The captain, M. D. Peregrine, showed himself a talented all-rounder.

Played 14, Won 4, Lost 5, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†M. D. Peregrine	13	5	375	70*	46.87
J. D. Nicholson	13	3	448	85	44.80
C. R. Richards	15	1	413	117*	29.50
B. W. Meaby	14	0	180	54	12.85

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. D. Peregrine	184.1	26	554	32	17.31
N. J. Munro	196.2	53	665	34	19.67
R. A. Higton	144.2	18	436	21	20.80
J. B. R. Townsend	87	8	350	10	35.00

EDINBURGH ACADEMY

Played 17, Won 7, Lost 2, Drawn 8

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†A. J. C. Cochrane	18	3	346	63	23.06
S. Coughtrie	16	3	299	71	23.00
R. J. McAulay	12	3	204	74	22.66
H. J. L. Allan	18	1	344	58	20.23
N. J. Brow	10	2	138	76	17.25
M. J. B. Anderson	11	4	106	36	15.14
D. J. F. Miller	17	3	175	25*	12.50

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
H. J. L. Allan	187.1	54	430	48	8.95
J. Lindsay	41.5	7	134	12	11.16
N. J. Brow	179	66	366	31	11.80
A. Davis	90	22	270	16	16.87

ETON COLLEGE

With only four of the successful 1951 side available, Eton suffered from inexperience. P. L. B. Stoddart, the captain, was further handicapped by the fact that H. E. Impey, potentially his best batsman, was not fully fit and that injury prevented R. V. C. Robins from bowling his usual leg-breaks and googlies. Instead, Robins turned to off-breaks with some success. The batting depended largely on Stoddart, and, although several others, notably the wicket-keeper, D. A. C. Marr, played some good innings, it

was generally unreliable. The bowling and fielding was more encouraging. Apart from Robins, D. R. Maclean toiled effectively at fast-medium pace and the leg-breaks of P. B. Legge and R. A. Eckersley needed watching. Robins, captain in 1953, and five others remained.

Played 12, Won 3, Lost 4, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. A. C. Marr	12	7	392	105*	78.40
T. G. A. Bowles	5	0	183	113	36.60
A. M. Rankin	7	2	176	91*	35.20
†P. L. B. Stoddart	14	0	425	107	30.35
H. E. Impey	9	1	228	86	28.50
N. A. J. Winter	12	3	225	57*	25.00
A. G. P. M. Morris	14	0	327	70	23.35
R. V. C. Robins	13	0	172	39	13.23
R. A. Eckersley	12	3	106	32	11.77

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. V. C. Robins	136	36	332	21	15.80
D. R. Maclean	218.4	54	590	33	17.87
R. A. James	136	23	374	18	20.77
P. B. Legge	137.5	17	426	20	21.30
R. A. Eckersley	99.3	3	402	16	25.12

EXETER SCHOOL

Played 16, Won 5, Lost 7, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
C. Hilson	16	1	358	42	23.86
†W. R. Knapman	15	0	247	35	16.46
D. B. Ellis	11	2	118	29*	13.11
M. C. A. Smith	15	2	165	46*	12.69
N. M. Pughe	15	1	155	40	11.07

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
B. H. Baker	46.3	13	95	12	7.91
M. C. A. Smith	169.2	28	511	44	11.61
J. M. Hodder	249.1	24	585	48	12.18
F. L. B. Vigers	85	20	203	10	20.30

FELSTED SCHOOL

P. L. Mason led a fast-scoring side with great success. M.C.C. were beaten for the third time in four years and other wins were gained against Aldenham, The Leys and Gresham's.

Played 13, Won 6, Lost 2, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†P. L. Mason	15	4	550	77	50.00
A. Morley-Brown	15	1	511	125	36.50
D. G. Leslie	15	0	384	50	25.60
A. W. Grace	12	2	246	100*	24.60
D. A. G. Day	13	1	248	61	20.66
R. G. King	11	1	202	48*	20.20
G. R. Grosch	12	1	187	41	17.00
R. H. Bird	9	1	122	26*	15.25

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
A. Morley-Brown	237	61	623	35	17.80
S. J. M. Knight	177.5	15	861	45	19.13
C. F. Chapman	105.2	20	349	18	19.38
D. A. G. Day	81	12	328	13	25.23
R. H. Bird	113	19	439	14	31.35

FETTES COLLEGE

K. C. S. Young, who did not win his place until mid-season, and the captain, R. Bowman, an effective fast bowler, were the outstanding members of a good, well-balanced side.

Played 16, Won 10, Lost 2, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
K. C. S. Young	8	3	255	102	51.00
J. M. Davidson	14	0	374	83	26.71
†R. Bowman	14	5	210	51*	23.33
A. Ross	15	2	299	74	23.00
J. G. Cumming	16	0	311	56	19.43
D. H. W. Dick	16	4	209	42	17.41
C. J. Macdonald-Bennett	14	1	203	53*	15.61

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. Bowman	154	46	323	35	9.28
I. F. Macartney	121	32	307	27	11.37
J. G. Cumming	158	40	369	21	17.51
A. Ross	79	16	238	13	18.30
D. M. T. Gibb	126	14	536	28	19.14

FOREST SCHOOL

Played 13, Won 3, Lost 3, Drawn 6, Abandoned 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
R. W. Trimby	12	3	304	100*	33.77
†J. L. W. Carter	12	2	324	109*	32.40
J. M. Coltes	12	1	226	54*	20.54
D. M. Webb	12	0	147	33	12.25

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. M. Webb	161.2	46	414	32	12.93
C. E. C. Fox	163.4	46	372	27	13.77

GEORGE WATSON'S BOYS' COLLEGE

Played 13, Won 8, Lost 2, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†C. A. R. Cowan	13	4	386	117	42.88
G. S. Allan	9	4	182	50	36.40
K. Brown	7	1	112	37	18.66
N. M. Bain	12	0	205	64	17.08
B. Adair	13	1	196	36	16.33
W. I. C. Dunn	12	1	157	31	14.27
M. S. Killey	13	0	180	54	13.84

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
K. Brown	173	54	351	39	9.00
C. A. R. Cowan	219	96	354	38	9.31
W. R. Anderson	87	15	242	19	12.73
N. M. Bain	89	16	179	14	12.78

GIGGLESWICK SCHOOL

Played 9, Won 2, Lost 4, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†M. J. Hartley	10	1	245	61*	27.22
C. G. Peel	8	0	176	44	22.00
D. E. Beecroft	9	2	153	93	21.85
D. L. Harrison	7	0	113	50	16.14
J. P. Thornber	10	0	113	40	11.30
J. E. Trickey	10	0	102	26	10.20

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. P. Thornber	67.2	13	183	18	10.16
M. J. Hartley	76.4	13	231	17	13.58
E. J. L. Taylor	74	14	211	10	21.10

GRESHAM'S SCHOOL, HOLT

P. D. Croft, the captain, again met with considerable all-round success and he gained a place in both representative matches at Lord's.

Played 13, Won 4, Lost 1, Drawn 8

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†P. D. Croft	13	2	645	150*	58.63
A. J. Corran	10	5	115	42*	23.00
K. A. Stroude	10	0	219	55	21.90
P. Drinkwater	12	1	236	58	21.45
T. D. Hennessey	11	3	148	55	18.50
C. J. N. Russell	13	1	160	42	13.33
C. C. Abram	11	0	146	33	13.27

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. D. Croft	167	41	473	42	11.26
P. Drinkwater	112.5	23	316	21	15.04
G. A. Birch	54	9	180	10	18.00

HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S SCHOOL*Played 17, Won 6, Lost 5, Drawn 6***Batting**

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†M. S. Lumsden.....	17	2	498	81*	33.20
D. J. Maconachie.....	12	3	113	28*	12.55
P. Maddison.....	14	2	142	54	11.83
N. A. Fuller.....	17	1	182	30	11.37

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. J. Maconachie.....	118.3	37	265	31	8.54
J. N. Pollock.....	99	20	259	21	12.33
P. Maddison.....	134.3	33	507	40	12.67
K. G. Avery.....	134.5	32	328	25	13.12

HAILEYBURY AND I.S.C.

D. H. W. Bolton, whose exceptional patience and concentration enabled him to employ a limited range of strokes to the utmost effect, was the most prolific schoolboy batsman of the season. He was not available for the representative games at Lord's, where earlier he ended a remarkable summer by hitting 118 not out against Cheltenham. The bowling was usually steady but lacked hostility.

*Played 14, Won 3, Lost 4, Drawn 7***Batting**

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. H. W. Bolton.....	16	4	1067	123*	88.92
R. S. Levy.....	16	2	460	117	32.85
P. L. B. Woodroffe.....	13	3	287	58	28.70
C. R. Smith.....	16	2	334	79	23.85
W. B. Anderson.....	9	1	190	70*	23.75
J. K. P. Wenban.....	13	2	190	32	17.27
†M. J. Mitton.....	15	2	189	39	14.53

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. S. Levy.....	49.4	14	129	11	11.72
J. K. P. Wenban.....	182.2	50	470	29	16.20
M. F. Bonallack.....	207.1	37	689	38	18.13
B. G. Thompson.....	188.5	38	618	34	18.18
D. G. E. Lewis-Bowen..	131.5	20	452	20	22.60

HARROW SCHOOL

Harrow, narrowly deprived of four more victories through lack of time, enjoyed a successful season, made specially notable by the decisive defeat of Eton at Lord's. Strong in batting, the side made runs consistently, often passing 300, and were only once bowled out. W. J. Foster and C. R. J. Hawke, who kept wicket for the Schools at Lord's, were accomplished batsmen, and several younger players showed an encouraging willingness to attack the

bowling. D. J. Hulbert often proved himself a match-winning bowler, as against Eton, by his ability to obtain considerable life off the pitch. H. A. Clive and A. R. B. Neame (off-spin) provided varied support. The leadership of R. L. Feather was responsible for the excellent team spirit.

*Played 13, Won 3, Lost 0, Drawn 10***Batting**

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
C. R. J. Hawke.....	14	4	486	152	48.60
W. J. Foster.....	13	2	432	91	39.27
†R. L. Feather.....	10	5	173	51*	34.60
R. B. Bloomfield.....	6	2	101	51*	25.25
A. R. B. Neame.....	13	5	194	32*	24.25
C. A. Strang.....	12	0	263	51	21.91
R. M. N. Green.....	14	1	277	80	21.30
J. M. Nokes.....	11	1	200	56*	20.00
R. J. R. Simpson.....	15	0	252	69	16.80

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. J. Hulbert.....	209.5	63	448	38	11.78
A. R. B. Neame.....	162.2	38	410	24	17.08
H. A. Clive.....	155.1	32	458	26	17.61
R. B. Bloomfield.....	100.2	19	307	17	18.05

HEREFORD CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

An otherwise good season was marred by the death through polio just after the last match of M. J. Allsebrook, who after three years as captain stood down for 1952 in favour of J. T. Harries. The exceptional strength of the bowling meant that the batting was seldom fully tested.

*Played 13, Won 11, Lost 2***Batting**

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. J. Allsebrook.....	9	2	185	44*	26.42
A. Sheldon.....	7	1	143	47*	23.83
B. C. Downes.....	10	3	160	46	22.85
C. W. Jenkins.....	11	2	205	50*	22.77
†J. T. Harries.....	10	2	160	40*	20.00
D. A. Miller.....	8	2	100	34	16.66
J. Davies.....	12	1	182	60	16.54
H. Ellam.....	10	1	132	35*	14.66

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
A. Sheldon.....	34	4	89	14	6.35
J. T. Harries.....	163.5	50	394	49	8.04
R. Bassett.....	62.5	17	186	22	8.45
T. I. Preece.....	115	32	249	19	13.10

HIGHGATE SCHOOL

The spin combination of C. Dean (left-arm) and the captain, J. C. Dare (off-breaks), again proved far too powerful for most school rivals. They brought their joint total of wickets in two seasons to 272. Both played in the Schools trial, Dean gaining selection against the Services for the second successive year. The batting and supporting attack were not of the same standard.

Played 14, Won 8, Lost 5, Drawn 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†J. C. Dare	16	1	301	51	20.06
J. S. Watkinson	11	1	196	50	19.60
R. D. Brown	16	0	292	86	18.25
C. Dean	16	1	209	77	13.93

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
C. Dean	280	73	693	72	9.63
J. C. Dare	306	86	750	63	11.90

HURSTPIERPOINT COLLEGE

Played 14, Won 3, Lost 9, Drawn 2

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. R. Molyneux	10	2	127	26	15.87
M. W. R. Gough	10	0	138	31	13.80
C. E. G. Parkhouse	9	1	107	23*	13.37
K. D. Snowden	12	2	127	51	12.70
R. James	11	1	110	50	11.00
R. R. A. Knight	13	2	116	33*	10.54

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. James	182.1	63	432	43	10.04
K. D. Snowden	109	28	259	17	15.23
C. James	69	16	244	13	18.76

IPSWICH SCHOOL

Played 13, Won 2, Lost 6, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. D. Hobbs	11	3	213	48	26.62
†G. B. M. Palmer	13	2	280	59	25.45
M. J. Robinson	11	0	202	48	18.36
B. A. Rolph	12	2	160	45	16.00
E. P. Grimwade	10	1	123	36	13.66
P. A. Etherington-Smith	12	0	151	41	12.58

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
K. Daniels	155	35	405	35	11.57
M. J. Robinson	176	40	528	29	18.20
B. A. Rolph	72.5	9	213	11	19.36

KELLY COLLEGE

Kelly suffered their first defeat in a school match since 1948, but enjoyed another successful season, thanks chiefly to the medium-paced swing bowling of W. P. Martin and the batting of D. G. Mackie.

Played 11, Won 7, Lost 1, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. G. Mackie	13	1	424	84	35.33
B. P. P. Curtoys	13	2	375	109*	34.09
A. W. Brown	12	5	226	69*	32.28
S. G. B. Farrant	12	0	161	40	13.41
†P. J. Warren	12	0	148	37	12.33

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
W. P. Martin	179.5	56	404	52	7.76
J. S. A. Macdonald	104.3	32	252	25	10.08
P. J. Warren	133.1	24	430	35	12.28

KING EDWARD'S SCHOOL, BIRMINGHAM

Played 18, Won 12, Lost 4, Drawn 2

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†F. B. Revill	18	2	664	147	41.50
B. C. Homer	17	4	425	110*	32.69
G. P. Simpson	12	6	141	38*	23.50
D. H. Benson	11	0	201	50	18.27
O. S. Wheatley	18	1	304	47	17.88

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. H. Benson	312.4	98	604	51	11.84
F. B. Revill	209.3	47	540	43	12.55
O. S. Wheatley	315	99	691	51	13.54

KING EDWARD'S SCHOOL, STOURBRIDGE

The feature of the season was the victory by six wickets over Worcestershire Club and Ground in the first fixture between the sides.

Played 17, Won 6, Lost 5, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
P. A. Shaw	9	3	153	66*	25.50
†B. F. Fieldhouse	13	2	212	64*	19.27
D. George	12	1	168	37*	15.27
D. J. Fitton	11	0	131	26	11.90

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. E. Lewis	124	35	257	39	6.58
T. E. G. Walker	101	25	222	21	10.57
B. F. Fieldhouse	82	18	215	20	10.75

KING'S COLLEGE SCHOOL, WIMBLEDON

Played 12, Won 6, Lost 2, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. J. Peters	13	1	577	144*	48.08
D. Thompson	13	0	368	69	28.30
P. M. Myers	12	2	157	45*	15.70
C. H. Briggs	10	1	130	32	14.44
A. J. Gorton	12	2	142	54*	14.20
R. B. G. Kefford	13	1	166	62*	13.83
R. F. McGann	13	0	170	36	13.07

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
†K. J. Burton	141.4	26	522	37	14.10
R. F. McGann	135	32	466	33	14.12
L. J. F. Evans	140	34	450	27	16.66
D. D. C. Belchamber	67	4	331	10	33.10

KING'S COLLEGE, TAUNTON

Played 12, Won 0, Lost 9, Drawn 2, Abandoned 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†M. J. Blake	14	2	337	80	28.08
R. V. W. Williams	14	1	203	41*	15.61

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. Springall	87	7	390	26	15.00
V. T. Baddeley	119.1	17	426	13	32.76

KING'S SCHOOL, BRUTON

Played 9, Won 2, Lost 5, Drawn 2

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. R. Maffey	10	2	169	58	21.12
A. R. Warren	9	0	175	60	19.44
†J. F. Petty	10	1	118	29*	13.11

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. A. Orr	83.3	24	176	14	12.57
G. Dunn	90	25	219	17	12.88
D. R. Maffey	85.2	22	222	16	13.87

KING'S SCHOOL, CANTERBURY

J. B. Phillips again bowled splendidly, his fast-medium deliveries bringing his total of wickets in four seasons in the XI to 170. He played in both representative games at Lord's. M. Herbert gave fine support with off-spinners.

Played 15, Won 8, Lost 4, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
H. S. Frampton	14	1	401	100	30.84
M. Herbert	13	1	354	74*	29.50
J. M. Skinner	13	5	233	42	29.12
D. C. Moor	14	1	370	95	28.46
†S. Young	13	0	327	96	25.15
R. A. Lawrence	15	2	288	83*	22.15
J. B. Phillips	7	1	103	28*	17.16

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. B. Phillips	227	54	618	52	11.88
M. Herbert	214	52	530	43	12.32
A. S. Taylor	124	19	409	21	19.47

KINGS' SCHOOL, ELY

Played 18, Won 6, Lost 5, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†R. M. Ray	17	3	439	102*	31.35
M. B. Glenister	13	4	204	50*	22.66
P. H. Philbedge	16	2	288	63	20.57
P. J. Skinner	17	2	300	57*	20.00
C. N. Taylor	15	6	162	33*	18.00
P. W. Boorman	10	3	113	41*	16.14
R. S. Wood	10	2	111	36	13.87
W. I. Brown	13	1	153	31	12.75
F. E. Mallett	13	3	101	22	10.10

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. W. Boorman	127.3	32	332	34	9.76
R. Jones	31	5	107	10	10.70
R. M. Ray	68.1	12	212	12	17.66
C. N. Taylor	133	18	531	30	17.70
B. Welcher	50	7	190	10	19.00
W. I. Brown	101	22	347	16	21.68

KING'S SCHOOL, ROCHESTER

Played 8, Won 4, Lost 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†G. R. T. Kingston	17	1	468	83	29.25
J. V. Reader	16	0	367	63	22.93
D. Newall	17	2	308	52	20.53
P. G. Turner	17	2	254	60	16.93
G. W. Davis	16	2	214	58	15.28
R. Waters	11	3	100	33*	12.50
B. J. Davis	16	0	173	29	10.81

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. R. Orr	144	36	370	31	11.93
R. L. Mansbridge	171.4	18	668	53	12.60
G. R. T. Kingston	155.3	33	421	25	16.84
R. Waters	175.4	37	427	21	20.33

KINGSWOOD SCHOOL

Played 13, Won 7, Lost 1, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†H. R. Moore	13	2	448	77	40.72
D. A. Green	12	2	254	88*	25.40
J. H. Trafford	13	3	247	58	24.70

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. R. Hulton	159.1	35	347	35	9.91
J. J. L. Crosby	74.4	20	165	11	15.00
J. J. Tucker	77	13	193	11	17.63

LANCING COLLEGE

Dropped catches prevented Lancing from gaining full reward for the lively fast bowling of their captain, J. K. Hall, who represented Public Schools at Lord's. Hall, with no pretensions to polish as a batsman, set his side an example in fast scoring.

Played 13, Won 3, Lost 4, Drawn 4, Abandoned 2

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
T. G. A. Lyon	14	2	326	70	27.16
T. M. Saunders	15	1	345	66	24.64
†J. K. Hall	13	1	248	91	20.66
J. S. M. Hunt	15	1	286	50	20.42

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. K. Hall	216.4	43	617	46	13.41
G. G. B. Wilkes	137.4	19	376	24	15.66
M. W. Field	117	32	340	15	22.66

THE LEYS SCHOOL

Weakness in bowling accounted for the fact that the young Leys team, ten of whom remained for 1953, failed to win a match.

Played 14, Won 0, Lost 8, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. A. Davis	7	3	212	70*	53.00
A. B. W. Thomas	15	2	390	120*	30.00
R. H. B. Schofield	16	1	389	52	25.93
G. W. Lewis	8	1	156	53*	22.28
M. K. Payne	14	2	221	84*	18.41
J. I. Scarr	13	2	176	38	16.00
M. H. Barber	11	3	105	31	13.12
†D. J. W. Thomas	12	1	137	35	12.45

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. H. Barber	158	39	387	16	24.18
M. G. Royle	116.3	26	354	14	25.28
K. M. Pigott	169.5	52	466	15	31.00
D. J. W. Thomas	116.5	18	468	11	42.54

LLANDOVERY COLLEGE

Played 17, Won 3, Lost 8, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. J. Harrett	18	4	249	55*	17.78
D. T. Jones	14	3	154	51*	14.00
P. Charles	18	3	180	32	12.00
K. M. Evans	17	0	182	30	10.70
G. F. Bowen	14	1	139	29	10.69

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
†P. J. Y. Scott	114.1	26	263	28	9.39
D. T. Jones	167.5	29	418	35	11.94
C. G. Jones	171.4	43	386	32	12.06
R. J. R. Edwards	110.2	30	254	15	16.93
T. B. Williams	116.1	34	297	13	22.84

LORETTO SCHOOL

Played 13, Won 4, Lost 3, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
N. Y. McAslan	15	0	417	125	27.80
†D. I. A. Craig	15	1	382	75	27.28
A. J. W. Berry	15	2	267	70	20.53
F. G. Cochran	12	2	137	31	13.70

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
H. B. Langlands	129.2	19	438	34	12.88
N. Y. McAslan	91	27	229	17	13.47
A. Walker	78	19	213	15	14.25
J. A. B. Borron	157.1	32	386	25	15.44

MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL, OXFORD

Played 14, Won 3, Lost 2, Drawn 8, Tied 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†T. A. Gibson	14	2	341	68*	28.41
J. W. Carter	14	1	331	50	25.46
J. T. Franklin	13	3	228	59	22.80

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. D. Jones	115.1	26	271	33	8.21
M. H. Impey	84.5	18	216	15	14.40
R. L. E. Harrison	64.4	8	250	16	15.62
T. A. Gibson	139	22	490	21	23.33

MALVERN COLLEGE

In a season featured by five exciting finishes—the result in each case remained in doubt until the last over—and the first win over Shrewsbury for sixteen years, Malvern cricket showed a marked improvement. The batting was strong, and, although the chief virtue of the attack was its steadiness, T. J. Smellie occasionally bowled with real hostility. J. D. Pepper, due at Oxford in 1953, also bowled well. Six of the side, including the leading batsmen, R. K. Whiley and the captain R. H. E. Russell, were available for at least another season.

Played 12, Won 7, Lost 2, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
R. K. Whiley	11	0	415	102	37.72
†R. H. E. Russell	15	1	491	60	35.07
I. C. Maclaurin	8	1	189	65	27.00
W. A. N. Lane	12	0	267	93	22.25
J. W. Potter	15	4	184	44*	16.72
T. J. Smellie	15	1	209	39	14.92
T. J. Straker	11	3	103	18	12.87

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. K. Whiley	31	3	109	10	10.90
J. D. Pepper	211.3	52	542	36	15.05
T. J. Smellie	232.5	58	595	34	17.50
J. W. Potter	152	35	450	25	18.00
I. C. Maclaurin	62.5	14	204	10	20.40

MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Played 22, Won 13, Lost 4, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
F. Brooks	17	5	294	70*	24.50
†R. L. Grant	21	3	393	63	21.83
G. D. Edge	21	1	384	55	19.20
I. Gibson	22	1	328	68	15.61
T. M. Richardson	21	3	260	73*	14.44
R. Langton	17	2	212	41*	14.13
A. B. Shelmerdine	17	2	194	42	12.93

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
I. Gibson	61	15	159	15	10.60
A. J. Dover	283.1	100	546	51	10.70
A. B. Shelmerdine	269	86	502	44	11.40
M. J. Ray	119.3	44	264	23	11.47
G. D. Edge	101.2	25	212	17	12.47

MARLBOROUGH COLLEGE

Marlborough began the season well by beating Winchester and Eton, but uncertain batting, particularly against well-flighted slow bowling, subsequently caused defeats by Clifton, Sherborne and Rugby. Cheltenham were also beaten. G. W. Thompson, a useful wicket-keeper, led the side shrewdly, and the bowling developed into a good, well-balanced attack that was supported well in the field.

Played 13, Won 4, Lost 5, Drawn 3, Tied 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. H. Darroch	16	0	456	81	28.50
J. G. Surridge	16	0	430	121	26.87
D. F. R. Lord	16	0	376	91	23.50
P. R. H. Anderson	15	3	273	40	22.75
D. W. Hogg	16	3	288	60*	22.15
J. D. Bushill	10	5	107	36*	21.40
†G. W. Thompson	16	1	292	48	19.46

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
C. B. Wales	80.1	11	256	18	14.22
J. D. Bushill	50.3	5	176	12	14.66
P. J. C. Dymoke-Marr ..	124.5	33	322	19	16.94
D. F. R. Lord	92.1	23	247	13	19.00
P. A. Naylor	119	29	296	14	21.14
P. R. H. Anderson	205.3	38	689	29	23.75

MERCERS' SCHOOL

Played 16, Won 3, Lost 6, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. J. Cato	16	2	456	113*	32.57
†J. B. Goodwin	15	1	258	68	18.42
B. E. Pestell	16	1	224	66*	14.93
M. J. Robson	12	2	110	26	11.00
M. J. Holden	13	2	118	30	10.72

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. B. Goodwin	162.1	39	416	43	9.67
B. D. Biggs	107.5	26	251	25	10.04
B. E. Pestell	148.2	38	293	28	10.44

MERCHANT TAYLORS' SCHOOL

Although R. Wolley was the only old colour available, he led his young team with such success that no inter-school match was lost and Highgate, Berkhamsted, Aldenham and Beaumont were beaten.

Played 13, Won 6, Lost 2, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
P. F. Brown	13	4	222	67*	24.66
C. A. Fox	13	0	276	70	21.23
K. E. Simpson	13	1	226	50*	18.83
E. G. Wiles	9	1	102	21*	12.75
J. R. Strang	13	1	139	40	11.58

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. D. Cheetham	191.3	58	360	33	10.90
†R. Wolley	206.1	34	516	44	11.72
J. T. Burrows	100	15	337	20	16.85
R. C. Taylor	68.3	3	267	15	17.80

MERCHISTON CASTLE SCHOOL

Although the school possessed a lively away-swingler in W. B. M. Laird, their best bowler for many years, inconsistent batting limited the team's success.

Played 18, Won 6, Lost 3, Drawn 9

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
E. M. Kirkwood	19	1	462	60	25.66
A. G. Mickel	16	5	273	55	24.81
W. B. M. Laird	17	3	270	40	19.28
J. S. Braid	13	4	169	64*	18.77
†A. C. Glen	19	5	231	48*	16.50
I. G. Chisholm	10	0	159	53	15.90
J. L. Davidson	19	1	265	42	14.72
J. M. Arnott	17	1	165	33	10.31

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
W. B. M. Laird	293.4	116	531	55	9.65
I. G. Chisholm	225.1	60	517	39	13.26
M. Walker	71	10	216	15	14.40
I. H. P. Laughland	82	29	218	13	16.76
J. M. Arnott	90.5	8	389	18	21.61

MILL HILL SCHOOL

Played 10, Won 2, Lost 2, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. D. Phipps	10	2	220	81*	27.50
†A. G. Humphries	10	0	217	38	21.70
M. Fielden	10	0	174	39	17.40
J. G. Bewsher	8	0	134	38	16.75

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. D. Phipps	83.2	22	206	14	14.71
C. M. Wesson	120	26	344	17	20.23
M. J. S. Tait	137	19	406	19	21.36
A. G. Humphries	98.4	19	254	11	23.09

MONKTON COMBE SCHOOL

Played 11, Won 5, Lost 1, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
K. J. Mazdon	10	3	169	53	24.14
J. G. Bristow	10	2	138	40	17.25
J. R. Cole	9	1	116	55	14.50
A. A. Wildish	10	0	139	44	13.90

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
†W. J. Wadsworth	91	10	269	34	7.91
D. W. Bowerman	87.4	14	230	26	8.84
P. J. Davies	60.5	16	148	12	12.33
D. G. Sandy	76	19	182	13	14.00

MOUNT ST. MARY'S COLLEGE

Played 11, Won 4, Lost 2, Drawn 4, Tied 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
F. C. Bateson	11	2	271	61	30.11
G. T. Gummer	9	5	117	28*	29.25
B. F. Gonsalves	11	0	223	39	20.27
R. C. Outridge	11	2	156	52*	17.33
G. A. Lopes	11	0	180	67	16.36
†J. J. Heffron	10	0	131	40	13.10
M. B. Gonsalves	10	1	100	30*	11.11

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
F. C. Bateson	30.4	3	105	12	8.75
J. P. Keogh	98.5	19	240	26	9.23
G. T. Gummer	109.4	28	251	18	13.94
M. D. Martin	110.1	26	264	17	15.52

NEWCASTLE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The fast-medium bowling of J. N. Watson again proved too difficult for most schoolboy batsmen, and his figures might have been even better but for a severe back strain which kept him out of the last four matches.

Played 21, Won 6, Lost 8, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
W. A. Scott	20	5	608	116*	40.53
J. N. Watson	15	3	160	42*	13.33
D. Martin	20	2	229	45*	12.72

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. N. Watson	223	61	533	68	7.83
†K. R. Graham	236	55	723	43	16.81

OAKHAM SCHOOL

D. J. Atkins and P. S. Nuttall proved a splendid opening pair, and among their many good partnerships was one of 181 against Bedford Modern. Usually they were well supported, but the bowling was not of the same standard.

Played 14, Won 2, Lost 4, Drawn 8

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. J. Atkins	15	2	534	116*	41.07
P. S. Nuttall	15	0	501	98	33.40
D. M. Green	15	3	347	74*	28.91
†G. H. Saxton	14	2	284	87*	23.66
A. B. Mason	13	1	273	84	22.75
B. A. F. Smith	13	2	192	44*	17.45
P. R. Wilkinson	10	3	114	35	16.28
J. N. Bromhead	12	2	141	45	14.10

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. M. Jacques	149.1	22	452	28	16.14
G. H. Saxton	153.4	21	411	18	22.83
J. E. Thornton	116.4	14	416	18	23.11
P. R. Wilkinson	70	15	235	10	23.50

ORATORY SCHOOL

Played 21, Won 1, Lost 12, Drawn 8

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
A. Fairbairn	13	2	263	90*	23.90
†E. R. Arundell	21	2	430	77*	22.63
H. Smith	21	2	348	51	18.31

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
E. R. Arundell	189	46	570	46	12.39
P. Flanagan	53	6	215	17	12.64
H. Smith	59	1	266	13	20.46
D. Edmonston	175	24	631	28	22.53
E. Reynolds	88	21	334	14	23.85
A. Meeson	142	14	601	25	24.04

OUNDLE SCHOOL

The spirit of attack was frequently missing from Oundle's cricket and this largely accounted for the high proportion of drawn games. Nevertheless, admirable victories were gained against Rugby—by two runs—and St. Edward's, Oxford, whereas only one school match was lost, that against Bedford. D. N. Herbert, the captain, was the pick of a reliable batting side.

Played 14, Won 2, Lost 3, Drawn 9

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†D. N. Herbert	15	5	565	103*	56.50
L. P. Morris	15	0	432	64	28.80
E. L. Jenkins	11	1	287	107*	28.70
D. Johnson	14	2	332	89*	27.66
G. R. Mawer	12	2	180	51*	18.00

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. Johnson	53	13	163	12	13.58
S. M. Khan	142	24	437	20	21.85
J. R. Dugard	143.5	28	553	23	24.04
L. P. Morris	128.1	23	432	15	28.80
F. J. B. Taylor	119.2	10	459	12	38.25

PERSE SCHOOL

Played 14, Won 3, Lost 5, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. H. Wakelin	12	3	286	71*	31.77
J. E. Stark	13	1	271	68	22.58
D. E. Nightingale	13	2	203	50*	18.45
M. B. T. Brown	13	1	165	41*	13.75
J. W. Ashman	13	0	143	44	11.00

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
A. N. Coe	122.2	20	255	21	12.14
†B. Reed	144.5	35	359	27	13.29
M. H. Wakelin	99	22	338	21	16.09
C. H. Tyack	63	15	190	10	19.00
D. E. Nightingale	80	16	236	12	19.70

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL, WAKEFIELD

Played 15, Won 7, Lost 2, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. P. Riley	15	2	427	90	32.84
E. M. Dyson	15	0	371	82	24.73
E. R. Wood	12	4	160	36	20.00
M. J. Ramsden	14	0	274	59	19.57
†I. A. Robertson	15	1	256	58	18.28

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
I. A. Robertson	136.4	42	313	38	8.23
J. P. Riley	135.2	39	290	24	12.08
E. M. Dyson	68.2	14	185	14	13.21
P. Coatesworth	133	36	334	22	15.18
A. P. Green	97.3	26	242	15	16.13

RADLEY COLLEGE

Stronger in batting than any other school, Radley repeated their performance of 1948 in going through the season undefeated. With the exception of the Bradfield game, which was reduced to one day by rain, all the inter-school matches were won, and three powerful club sides, M.C.C., Butterflies and Berkshire Gentlemen, were also beaten. The removal of a cartilage during the winter prevented E. R. Dexter from bowling as much as usual, but he excelled as an attractive, hard-hitting batsman. He and the captain, A. C. Walton, a polished stroke-player, represented the Schools at Lord's. The first four batsmen in the order all scored over 500 runs, and L. Cooper, at No. 6, played several fine, forcing innings. Throughout the season the side averaged 82 runs an hour. J. B. Gleave (leg-breaks) and M. G. W. Duff (left-arm medium) did best in a well-balanced attack which received valuable support from R. R. Davies behind the wicket. Seven of the team, including Dexter, remained for 1953.

Played 15, Won 8, Lost 0, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
E. R. Dexter	12	5	581	142*	83.00
L. Cooper	9	3	359	126	59.83
C. E. B. L. Carr	16	6	544	110*	54.40
†A. C. Walton	17	3	711	102	50.78
J. S. Waddilove	17	2	580	99	38.66
S. M. Scott	10	3	233	72*	33.28

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
E. R. Dexter	209.1	59	484	28	17.28
J. B. Gleave	257.4	56	847	46	18.41
M. W. G. Duff	267.3	83	688	37	18.59
C. E. B. L. Carr	138.2	41	346	18	19.22
E. C. H. Huddy	205.4	65	453	19	23.84

READING SCHOOL

M. E. Howe-Jones, a forceful batsman with an impressive range of strokes, led the side well. He played for Glamorgan II after term. H. B. M. Birtchnell made remarkable progress as a spin bowler.

Played 18, Won 4, Lost 7, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†M. E. Howe-Jones	18	4	528	113	37.71
M. D. Evans	14	2	293	58*	24.41
H. B. M. Birtchnell	18	0	410	90	22.77
W. S. Blunt	16	1	338	57	22.53
D. F. Shelmerdine	12	2	175	55	17.50
A. W. Barker	17	3	177	38*	12.64
J. R. Digby	12	3	108	25*	12.00

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
H. B. M. Birtchnell	166.2	26	526	49	10.73
M. E. Howe-Jones	117.1	22	273	22	12.40
D. F. Shelmerdine	56.5	18	219	15	14.60
R. B. Steward	171.1	33	441	26	16.96

REPTON SCHOOL

No school side really mastered the formidable Repton attack, although Cheltenham won a low-scoring game. Uppingham and Rugby were beaten and Malvern and Shrewsbury drew. A. G. P. Weir and D. A. R. Williams provided the spin and P. M. Cope and W. H. M. Pyne the pace. All were indebted to E. E. Greenhalgh, an accomplished wicket-keeper, who was unlucky to miss selection for the Public Schools against Combined Services. After an uncertain start, J. M. Cropper hit two centuries, and his best support came from J. A. Nelson-Jones and S. M. Starkey.

Played 14, Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†J. M. Cropper	14	2	446	123*	37.16
J. A. Nelson-Jones	15	2	363	55*	27.92
S. M. Starkey	15	2	344	92	26.46
W. H. M. Pyne	13	4	221	44*	24.55
R. G. Walter	11	0	160	53	14.54
P. M. Cope	14	0	155	29	11.07

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
A. G. P. Weir	266	85	588	41	14.34
W. H. M. Pyne	142.5	43	391	23	17.00
D. A. R. Williams	168.5	41	443	26	17.03
P. M. Cope	155.3	41	424	24	17.66

ROSSALL SCHOOL

Only three defeats in thirteen matches reflected credit on the fighting qualities of a side considerably weaker than any fielded by Rossall in recent years. The responsibility of captaincy proved disastrous to C. A. Smith, who scored only 76 runs in thirteen innings. M. M. Gibson and M. J. Timms were the most reliable batsmen; W. D. Riding, an aggressive left-hander, showed promise, and R. Benbow, a good little wicket-keeper, more than once saved the side through stubborn defence. D. A. Rutherford, left-arm slow, was easily the best bowler. He and three others remained for 1953.

Played 13, Won 4, Lost 3, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. M. Gibson	16	0	408	76	25.50
W. D. Riding	15	1	352	83	25.14
J. G. Freeman	16	2	315	118*	22.50
M. J. Timms	14	2	244	75	20.33
D. A. Rutherford	14	2	225	49	18.75
R. Benbow	11	4	119	26*	17.00
J. Hindle	9	1	103	24	12.87

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. A. Rutherford	163.5	45	486	43	11.30
M. H. Heys	48.3	10	165	10	16.50
G. D. Smith	114	26	307	14	21.92
N. H. Phillips	204.1	22	544	22	24.72

RUGBY SCHOOL

Rugby owed their success chiefly to the aggressive nature of their out-cricket. The captain, R. A. Hunt, with medium-paced out-swingers, and M. J. S. Preece, off-breaks, bowled particularly well, and the attack was always backed by keen work in the field. On seven occasions opponents were dismissed for under 100, and this compensated for the comparatively disappointing batting. M. A. Eagar again overshadowed his colleagues. Clifton, Stowe, Uppingham, Marlborough and Oxford Authentics were among the sides beaten, but the Repton and Oundle matches were lost.

Played 17, Won 9, Lost 3, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. A. Eagar	18	1	669	128	39.35
R. M. H. Boddington	17	6	363	56*	33.00
E. M. Rose	15	2	309	41	23.76
D. A. C. Marshall	18	3	333	70*	22.20
†R. A. Hunt	16	1	244	67	16.26
J. A. Dyde	18	0	234	51	13.00
M. J. S. Preece	12	1	133	47	12.09
D. G. Trentham	14	2	141	36	11.75

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. A. Hunt	219.2	60	507	50	10.14
M. J. S. Preece	239.4	73	599	55	10.89
J. A. Dyde	157.5	49	363	23	15.78
G. D. C. Shaw	65.2	10	235	12	19.58
R. W. Ward	145.3	38	373	18	20.72

RYDAL SCHOOL

Played 16, Won 5, Lost 4, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
H. H. Sutcliffe	10	2	225	62	28.12
P. Blatherwick	16	2	363	73	25.92
B. E. Chesworth	12	2	230	95*	23.00
J. P. Rogers	14	1	219	50	16.84
†J. N. Clay	15	2	214	44*	16.46
I. A. Stewart	16	1	228	58	15.20
C. S. Brown	12	2	134	41	13.40
A. R. Higginbotham	14	3	137	30	12.45

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. F. Morris	195	50	422	36	11.72
J. P. Rogers	179	26	537	39	13.76
M. Gornall	131	28	331	19	17.42
P. Blatherwick	80	10	316	10	31.60

ST. ALBANS SCHOOL

Played 10, Won 0, Lost 9, Drawn 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. Mercer	10	0	151	40	15.10

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. Tant	168.5	51	386	37	10.43
G. A. Taylor	61	22	149	11	13.54

ST. BEES SCHOOL

Played 16, Won 11, Lost 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†D. G. Holliday	17	2	339	69	22.60
N. Holliday	11	3	163	38	20.37
T. Fletcher	17	0	330	140	19.41

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
N. Holliday	40	7	115	21	5.47
T. Fletcher	181	34	505	58	8.70
P. Rhodes	71	15	169	14	12.07
J. N. Dowzer	173	37	425	35	12.14

ST. DUNSTAN'S COLLEGE

Played 15, Won 3, Lost 4, Drawn 8

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. B. Allen	17	1	436	68	27.50
T. Belton	15	1	331	56	23.64
A. P. Green	15	2	289	54	22.23
J. T. Lett	16	0	339	42	21.18

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. A. Mills	233.2	46	791	60	13.18
†J. G. Malone	180.3	24	657	35	18.77
S. Holt	80	6	306	16	19.12
T. Belton	119.2	16	452	18	25.11

ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL, LEATHERHEAD

Played 11, Won 8, Lost 1, Drawn 2

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. E. Rivers	8	3	155	63	31.00
N. S. Broadbent	7	2	151	66	30.20
B. C. Kimber	8	2	153	54*	25.50
J. D. Younge	11	0	213	69	19.36
N. J. Bratton	9	1	147	43	18.37
R. M. James	11	1	178	61*	17.80
R. A. Hewitt	11	0	170	52	15.45

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
†R. B. L. Morgan	130	34	283	39	7.25
R. M. James	196.3	76	354	38	9.31
S. V. M. Clube	79.3	16	194	10	19.40
N. J. Bratton	93	25	200	10	20.00

ST. LAWRENCE COLLEGE

Played 15, Won 7, Lost 4, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
G. Tembe	16	3	360	102*	27.69
P. R. Perfect	15	3	315	65*	26.25
B. L. Crouch	11	4	144	35*	20.57
M. G. M. Henry	15	2	160	39	12.30
†J. S. Paddle	11	0	125	31	11.36

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. A. B. T. Clark	162.4	44	384	34	11.29
G. Tembe	118.2	13	368	32	11.50
B. D. Harrison	120.3	23	289	19	15.21
B. L. Crouch	154.4	26	391	25	15.64

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL

St. Paul's cricket was better than their record suggested, for two of the drawn games went heavily in their favour and three of the defeats were extremely narrow. D. B. Tapley, a talented batsman and good fielder, showed promise of developing into a fine player. He leads the side again in 1953.

Played 14, Won 3, Lost 5, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†D. B. Tapley	15	1	473	101	33.78
D. L. Gold	9	3	170	42	28.33
R. B. Atkinson	13	2	300	47	27.27
L. I. Zander	13	2	296	64	26.90
D. L. R. Neill	11	4	137	46*	19.57
J. S. Dougall	15	0	234	60	15.60
C. I. L. Boxer	12	1	170	35*	15.45
M. Baker	14	2	147	39	12.25

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. M. Loewe	152	35	417	26	16.03
M. J. Stacey	175	36	438	27	16.22
D. L. R. Neill	107	27	344	19	18.10
C. F. Roberts	90	18	296	16	18.50
R. B. Atkinson	63	9	228	12	19.00

ST. PETER'S SCHOOL, YORK

Apart from the successful batting of D. H. Beachell, whose aggregate and average were the best for the school since N. W. D. Yardley's in 1933, St. Peter's experienced a disappointing season. The bowling, which was expected to provide the strength of the XI, proved to be the weakness, for neither J. J. Youll, the captain, nor P. D. F. James was as effective as the previous year. Moreover, their support was negligible. D. I. Fletcher assisted Beachell in many excellent opening partnerships.

Played 14, Won 3, Lost 2, Drawn 9

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. H. Beachell	15	3	677	105*	56.41
D. I. Fletcher	15	0	515	86	34.33
A. N. Wyatt-Gunning	11	2	259	77	28.77
J. E. Fawcett	8	1	180	90	25.71
G. B. Pullan	13	1	173	39	14.41
P. D. F. James	10	1	119	32	13.22
J. B. Annequin	14	2	133	39	11.08

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
†J. J. Youll	186.4	47	469	32	14.65
P. D. F. James	218	51	629	41	15.34
M. J. Wood	63.5	6	277	10	27.70

SEDBERGH SCHOOL

W. J. Downey earned special credit for his part in Sedbergh's best season since the war. Exceptionally mature in his approach to the game, Downey led the side well, and his consistent achievements as a solid, hard-hitting batsman, including two successive centuries, earned him a place in the Schools' trial at Lord's, S. O. C. Gossip, a determined middle batsman and effective change bowler, also did excellently.

Played 10, Won 7, Lost 0, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†W. J. Downey	9	2	525	163*	75.00
S. O. C. Gossip	9	3	349	81	58.16
L. D. Thomson	9	1	234	69*	29.25
J. D. Medhurst	10	1	204	69	22.66

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. D. Medhurst	40	12	77	13	5.92
S. O. C. Gossip	76.2	9	172	20	8.60
J. B. Barker	85	27	199	15	13.26
C. D. Macintyre	83.4	12	214	14	15.28

SHERBORNE SCHOOL

Overcoming their lack of really outstanding players through keenness and determination, Sherborne enjoyed a highly successful season. In school matches, Clifton, Downside, Marlborough and Blundell's were beaten, Westminster drew, and Radley were successful only after a grand tussle. Much credit belonged to the captain, P. M. Lewis, and two all-rounders, J. M. Carter and A. J. T. Brown. Carter's resolute batting at No. 10 was specially valuable in close finishes against Clifton and Downside. The batting rarely failed and excellent fielding offset any limitations in attack.

Played 12, Won 6, Lost 3, Drawn 3

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. M. Carter	9	6	106	44*	35.33
R. Rydon	11	3	262	85	32.75
B. D. C. Shields	12	0	344	74	28.66
†P. M. Lewis	13	0	362	73	27.84
A. J. T. Brown	13	1	271	77	22.58
J. D. F. Tucker	12	1	216	110*	19.63
G. Read	7	1	117	31	19.50
A. D. Pickering	13	1	225	38	18.75
B. E. C. Thomson	11	2	168	75*	18.66

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
W. M. Robson	44.4	11	95	11	8.63
J. M. Carter	171.2	37	443	20	22.15
R. Preston	145	19	520	23	22.60
A. J. T. Brown	164.4	42	437	19	23.00
B. E. C. Thomson	150	31	411	10	41.10

SHREWSBURY SCHOOL

Beginning with nine old colours, Shrewsbury opened the season in convincing style, then the batting lost its consistency and the final record was disappointing. Nevertheless, seven of the eight draws ended in the team's favour, and the chief fault of the batting was not lack of talent but over-confidence bred of early successes. The bowling was steady throughout, though not always sufficiently hostile; the fielding reached a high standard.

Played 12, Won 2, Lost 2, Drawn 8

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
R. E. Medd	11	3	386	84	48.25
M. A. Hill	15	3	399	89	33.25
J. Farnell	14	1	350	67	26.92
†A. B. Horton	12	1	214	77	19.45
H. G. Lewis	9	2	119	52	17.00
D. A. Spencer	14	4	147	39	14.70
G. Woods	12	3	130	74	14.44
J. A. Howard	14	1	172	27	13.23

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. G. Stapleton	153.1	38	436	30	14.53
J. Farnell	142.5	37	365	19	19.21
J. N. Webb	183.2	46	538	26	20.69
C. D. St. Johnson	76.1	6	360	16	22.50
D. A. Spencer	111	22	298	12	24.83

SOLIHULL SCHOOL

Played 13, Won 3, Lost 5, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†W. J. Danter	12	1	353	88*	32.09
W. J. Upton	11	1	241	49	24.10
D. L. Morris	7	2	102	60*	20.40

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. F. Warner	83	4	289	17	17.00
R. C. Young	89	10	314	17	18.47
W. J. Danter	101.4	17	303	16	18.93

STAMFORD SCHOOL

Played 11, Won 4, Lost 2, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
R. C. Smith	11	1	352	145*	35.20
C. M. Grayson	11	1	231	68	23.10
J. P. Neale	10	3	155	33*	22.14
J. Nickerson	10	1	171	63*	19.00
†E. J. Kingdon	9	0	158	51	17.55
D. S. Mitchell	9	2	117	29	16.71
B. M. Scotney	11	0	168	54	15.27

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. C. Smith	180.1	50	421	42	10.02
C. M. Grayson	148	40	363	19	19.10
D. L. Perkins	91	13	338	10	33.80

STONYHURST COLLEGE

The Stonyhurst XI contained several players of considerably more than average ability, yet they failed to do themselves justice in school matches. G. P. S. Delisle, J. I. Bell and J. M. Arbide were attractive, free-scoring batsmen. Delisle, a particularly strong driver, hit three centuries and played in both representative games at Lord's. The bowling improved during the summer and at the end constituted a formidable attack. The brilliance at cover of P. H. Ross and Arbide's wicket-keeping deserved special praise.

Played 11, Won 4, Lost 2, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
G. P. S. Delisle.....	13	5	607	125*	75.87
J. I. Bell	13	2	401	96*	36.45
J. M. Arbide	13	1	341	66*	28.41
†A. C. Everatt	12	0	140	36	11.66

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. F. Byrne	95.3	21	229	15	15.26
R. J. Guyer	128.4	31	315	19	16.57
M. L. Voller	164	40	388	22	17.63
W. McPhee	65.4	15	239	13	18.38
M. D. Wright	126.5	20	308	13	23.69

STOWE SCHOOL

Inconsistency rather than lack of talent led to Stowe's dismal record. The team were handicapped by the absence of the appointed captain, M. J. Fenwick, through foot trouble for most of the season, and, although C. N. H. Hordern proved a capable deputy, neither he nor A. J. Beerbohm achieved the success expected of them with the bat. Of the bowlers, R. Cobham and P. L. Morris distinguished themselves against Westminster and Radley respectively, but in this department also the team were unreliable. Fortunately, the fielding was of a higher standard with the wicket-keeping of D. G. du B. Dew, captain in 1953, often brilliant.

Played 14, Won 0, Lost 7, Drawn 7

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
F. J. B. Taylor	8	5	136	36*	45.33
C. N. H. Hordern	16	2	382	84*	27.28
R. F. Butlin	15	0	380	63	25.33
D. G. du B. Dew	16	4	244	38*	20.33
A. J. Beerbohm	16	0	294	70	18.37
J. R. F. Crombie	16	0	287	33	17.93
F. J. R. Boddy	14	0	204	36	14.57
D. M. Vance	14	0	198	35	14.14

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. Cobham	172.1	41	494	29	17.03
P. L. Morris	180.1	28	546	21	26.00
A. P. Hill	152	18	539	16	33.67
D. M. Vance	170	25	575	15	38.33

SUTTON VALENCE SCHOOL

Played 14, Won 6, Lost 7, Drawn 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
B. G. Keeble	9	5	161	51*	40.25
†P. R. Anderson	13	1	211	60*	17.58
D. S. Prentice	12	0	172	82	14.33
B. D. Hough	12	1	142	29	12.90

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
B. D. Hough	216.1	72	438	49	8.93
P. R. Anderson	67	10	247	17	14.52
T. J. Aisher	154.2	58	390	23	16.95
D. B. Fermor	115.4	11	448	22	20.36

TAUNTON SCHOOL

Taunton did not maintain the form which brought four wins from the first five games. The captain, K. J. Richards, who is likely to be at Cambridge in 1953, showed promise as a leg-spin bowler.

Played 15, Won 5, Lost 5, Drawn 4, Abandoned 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
B. H. Mead	14	4	321	74*	32.10
J. M. Woolley	14	2	345	102*	28.75
R. Harding	12	4	183	27	22.88
P. J. Eele	15	1	255	44	18.21
D. W. Mead	11	1	158	68*	15.80

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
†K. J. Richards	159	39	314	28	11.21
R. J. Hutchings	140.3	32	393	24	16.37
P. Hook	107.3	19	285	16	17.81
R. Harding	58	8	198	11	18.00
R. N. Gray	124.3	26	393	21	18.71

TONBRIDGE SCHOOL

At times very good, as when beating Bedford for the first time in the school's history and against Clifton at Lord's, Tonbridge occasionally proved equally disappointing. The batting, led by R. F. Crang and F. D. M. Taylor, improved markedly after a disastrous performance against Haileybury, but the bowling was usually no more than moderate. J. Kitching provided an exception at Lord's, where his fast-medium deliveries demoralised Clifton, and the leg-breaks of E. St. J. Brice were the chief factor in Bedford's defeat. The captain, K. W. Pearce, a useful all-rounder, inspired a high standard in the field.

Played 13, Won 4, Lost 5, Drawn 3, Abandoned 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
C. S. Fleetwood	9	1	287	96	35.87
F. D. M. Taylor	12	1	375	100	34.09
R. F. Crang	15	2	429	60*	33.00
†K. W. Pearce	13	2	311	72	28.27
J. D. Lewis	12	3	214	57*	23.77
P. H. C. Fuente	11	1	228	45	22.80
J. F. Campbell	12	1	243	69*	22.09
T. P. M. Neligan	11	1	158	33	15.80

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
K. W. Pearce	179.3	39	508	29	17.51
E. St. J. Brice	109	13	403	21	19.19
J. Kitching	158.2	42	460	22	20.90
J. F. Campbell	167	26	478	19	25.15
R. B. Rutherford	104	12	351	10	35.10

TRENT COLLEGE

Played 14, Won 3, Lost 10, Drawn 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†N. B. Howlett	14	2	306	60	25.50
R. Nicholson	13	1	221	60	18.41
H. P. H. O'Brien	13	2	196	46	17.81
J. H. C. Bowen	14	0	196	60	14.00
J. D. Green	12	0	167	50	13.91

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. E. G. Bartlett	116.2	35	321	22	14.59
D. H. Gillmore	179.2	37	448	25	17.92
H. P. H. O'Brien	119	13	450	20	22.50
R. Cattell	159.2	37	435	12	36.25

TRINITY COLLEGE, GLENALMOND

Played 16, Won 3, Lost 4, Drawn 8, Tied 1

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
R. D. D. Scott	9	2	302	86	43.14
†J. O. Mather	16	3	369	63*	28.38
J. K. McCollum	16	2	321	72	22.92
J. N. D. Scott	16	2	239	43	17.07
G. L. B. Hundell	15	2	211	63*	16.23
D. G. Weir	11	2	134	40	14.88
V. J. D. Kirwan	11	3	101	30*	12.62

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. N. D. Scott	262.3	92	496	51	9.72
J. O. Mather	140	15	453	32	14.15
J. A. G. Murray	162	39	370	21	17.61
D. G. Weir	89	14	249	10	24.90

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE SCHOOL

C. J. Parry, a stylish batsman and useful bowler, appeared after term with success for Middlesex Young Amateurs.

Played 12, Won 5, Lost 3, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†C. J. Parry	10	2	243	81*	30.37
R. W. Cotton	10	1	238	68*	26.44
M. A. Hetherington	10	3	138	42	19.71
P. K. Williams	11	1	118	33	11.80

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. M. Williams	98.3	32	187	20	9.35
C. J. Parry	115.1	40	289	30	9.63
A. G. Williams	64	10	155	14	11.07
J. G. Allen	91	23	225	19	11.84

UPPINGHAM SCHOOL

The fact that so many matches were drawn and none won did not reflect a lack of spirit about the XI. The prime weakness lay in the absence of effective spin-bowlers to support the excellent opening attack of G. R. Preston and J. J. Johnson. The batting was impressive, with several players capable of big innings.

Played 12, Won 0, Lost 4, Drawn 8

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
P. W. Osocroft	9	1	333	105*	41.62
†M. I. Robinson	15	0	561	78	37.40
J. M. Watson	15	1	390	76	27.85
G. R. Preston	9	4	129	44	25.80
M. N. Turner	15	0	337	76	22.46
J. S. Leppington	11	0	211	95	19.18
C. Holmes-Smith	12	3	165	26	18.33
B. D. Bennett	13	0	235	64	18.07

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
G. R. Preston	250	88	591	39	15.16
J. J. Johnson	262	53	693	31	22.35
J. H. Chatterton	87	13	284	11	25.81

WELLINGBOROUGH SCHOOL

R. J. Mayes, a 13-year-old batsman, displayed great promise, particularly by his coolness when conditions were unfavourable. M. D. Duck, a talented all-rounder, and the captain, R. J. S. Macrae, a good wicket-keeper, also did well.

Played 12, Won 4, Lost 3, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
M. D. Duck	12	2	407	124*	40.70
R. J. Mayes	11	3	295	56	36.87
C. M. Ross	9	1	146	47	18.25
J. M. Ward	12	3	148	32	16.44

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. D. Duck	155	37	364	31	11.74
B. D. Greaves	127	30	361	22	16.40
C. M. Ross	134	11	421	24	17.54

WELLINGTON COLLEGE

After a poor start, the young Wellington team improved considerably under the leadership of A. M. Douglass. J. M. Bertin, a promising left-hander, was the best of an inconsistent batting side, and the attack, although deficient in change bowlers, looked quite formidable when Douglass found his best form in July. The fielding, particularly that of J. D. T. Faithfull at cover-point and G. J. Walker behind the wicket, was very good during the latter half of the season.

Played 13, Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
J. M. Bertin	15	1	411	66	29.35
A. D. Macintyre	15	1	389	66	27.78
J. D. T. Faithfull	14	1	297	98	22.84
J. A. G. Macdermott	14	1	271	79*	20.84
G. J. Walker	13	2	196	56	17.81
D. W. Frame	15	0	196	65	13.06
J. S. B. White	12	4	103	25	12.87

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. M. Bertin	84.3	6	349	25	13.96
†A. M. Douglass	260.2	64	759	39	19.46
N. R. D. Dennys	176	50	431	22	19.59
J. S. B. White	91.5	11	426	17	25.05

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL

Apart from the captain, C. J. H. Davies, D. G. Higgins and R. P. C. Hillyard, none of the Westminster batsmen could be relied upon for runs, but steady bowling and frequently brilliant fielding enabled the team to achieve reasonable success. Davies (fast-medium), D. M. Jones (leg-spin) and M. D. Garcia (off-spin) carried the main burden in attack.

Played 16, Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 8

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†C. J. H. Davies	16	3	549	79	42.23
D. G. Higgins	16	2	536	91	38.28
R. P. C. Hillyard	12	0	318	56	26.50
A. C. Hornsby	14	3	184	43*	16.72
S. L. Henry	12	0	173	39	14.41
F. D. Lorimer-Thomas	13	1	173	51*	14.41
J. W. Tourlamain	16	0	227	51	14.18

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
C. J. H. Davies	188	43	500	32	15.62
D. M. Jones	242	28	1018	51	19.96
M. D. Garcia	177	29	580	21	27.61

WHITGIFT SCHOOL

Played 14, Won 7, Lost 1, Drawn 6

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†M. J. Harrison	13	4	371	82*	41.22
D. S. Straw	14	1	502	82*	38.61
A. B. Squires	11	1	361	68	36.10
M. P. Arscott	14	1	359	74	27.61
M. F. Evans	13	3	237	55	23.70

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
H. Pool	154.3	48	396	34	11.64
M. F. Evans	98.2	23	255	17	15.00
A. B. Squires	233.4	85	478	29	16.48
R. B. Johnson	103.5	24	241	14	17.21
T. N. Johnson	81	18	264	10	26.40

WINCHESTER COLLEGE

The absence through illness of the captain, M. D. Scott, for much of the season partly explained Winchester's disappointing form. Scott's return to the side in late June coincided with a revival and the team more than held their own against Eton. W. N. M. Lawrence, a polished opening batsman and captain in 1953, ended a season of considerable personal success with scores of 95 and 70 not out in that match. J. R. S. Maclure and I. H. McCausland rarely did themselves justice with the bat, although McCausland again bowled his off-spinners with commendable steadiness. One of the most encouraging features was the emergence at the age of 15 of A. L. Hichens as a fast bowler of considerable merit. Already the possessor of a fine, lively action, Hichens should develop into a formidable bowler as his strength increases. On the debit side was the fact that the fielding did not maintain the high standard normally associated with Winchester cricket.

Played 15, Won 2, Lost 5, Drawn 8

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†M. D. Scott.....	9	3	270	100*	45.00
W. N. M. Lawrence	17	3	577	95	41.21
D. B. D. Lowe	7	2	173	63	34.60
R. Chester	11	2	189	42*	21.00
J. R. S. Maclure	17	1	324	70	20.25
I. H. McCausland	17	0	323	84	19.00
F. W. Gordon-Clark	17	0	303	78	17.82
M. H. Morse	13	3	100	25	10.00

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
G. M. T. Hodgson.....	59	13	184	12	15.33
A. L. Hichens	148.3	28	420	21	20.00
I. H. McCausland	235.5	52	663	29	22.86
J. J. Graftey-Smith	78	14	302	11	27.45
R. C. Gridley	162	19	573	19	30.15

WORCESTER ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Although not quite as effective as the previous season, R. G. Woodcock again enjoyed splendid all-round success as a left-arm slow bowler and forcing batsman. His captaincy also was of a high order. The three matches lost by the school were by the narrow margins of 6, 8 and 11 runs respectively. A. F. Hill, fast-medium, was often devastating and he hit the stumps 45 times in 60 dismissals.

Played 19, Won 12, Lost 3, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
†R. G. Woodcock	15	5	388	65*	38.80
T. H. E. Clarke	19	3	368	67	23.00
R. M. Goode	17	2	322	81	21.46
A. F. Hill	14	5	185	51	20.55
C. C. Hawkins	18	1	349	64	20.52
A. J. Bengier	12	2	184	50	18.40

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
A. F. Hill	293.3	87	578	60	9.63
R. G. Woodcock	381.2	131	713	71	10.04
T. H. E. Clarke	64.1	9	198	13	15.23
R. M. Goode	116	39	245	16	15.31

WORKSOP COLLEGE

Inexperience and the unreliability of many recognised batsmen were the prime causes of Worksop's poor record. Eight of the side remained for 1953.

Played 10, Won 0, Lost 5, Drawn 5

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. T. Forbes	12	0	288	103	24.00
M. I. Newman	9	4	104	36	20.80
P. V. Sampson	8	2	111	26	18.50
P. J. Sharpe	10	3	128	38	18.28
†G. M. Booth	12	0	201	57	16.75
H. D. Jago	11	2	128	44*	14.22
J. B. Somers	11	1	135	24	13.50

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. W. Wright	119	26	300	19	15.78
F. R. T. Bulley	181.4	45	443	25	17.72
P. Gregson	75	16	227	11	20.63
M. I. Newman	80.1	6	325	15	21.66

WREKIN COLLEGE

A noticeable lack of hostility about Wrekin's out-cricket was responsible for their poor record.

Played 15, Won 0, Lost 3, Drawn 12

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
D. P. Rowe	13	4	273	78*	30.33
M. P. Miles	13	4	253	52*	28.11
C. P. W. Lyon	14	1	363	71	27.92
H. J. Swinneton	13	0	304	59	23.38
†T. D. Neville	13	3	223	60*	22.30
P. L. Boardman	14	0	206	31	14.71
J. C. Markwick	11	1	117	50*	11.70

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
D. J. G. Jones	135	.. 18	.. 410	.. 22	.. 18.63
J. C. Markwick	182	.. 45	.. 505	.. 26	.. 19.42

WYCLIFFE COLLEGE

Played 12, Won 6, Lost 2, Drawn 4

Batting

	Innings	Not outs	Runs	Highest inns.	Average
C. R. Kenchington	12	.. 2	.. 266	.. 50	.. 26.60
D. W. E. Cooper	12	.. 0	.. 187	.. 71	.. 15.58
M. Baber	12	.. 0	.. 173	.. 45	.. 14.41
†E. D. Jones	12	.. 2	.. 128	.. 37*	.. 12.80

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. J. A. Winch	51.4	.. 12	.. 115	.. 14	.. 8.21
E. D. Jones	149.1	.. 33	.. 344	.. 33	.. 10.42
H. P. Tovey	81	.. 22	.. 185	.. 14	.. 13.21
G. W. Butt	107.3	.. 17	.. 306	.. 17	.. 18.00

PUBLIC SCHOOL MATCHES IN 1952

For Eton v. Harrow, Beaumont v. Oratory, Clifton v. Tonbridge, Rugby v. Marlborough, Cheltenham v. Haileybury, Southern Schools v. The Rest, Combined Services v. Public Schools, see Other Matches at Lord's.

MILL HILL v. HIGHGATE

At Mill Hill, May 24. Highgate won by one wicket after an eventful and exciting game in which bowlers generally held the mastery. The spin of Dean (five for 38) and Dare (five for 41) proved too much for Mill Hill, but Highgate began even more disastrously, Wesson performing the hat-trick in the first over. Sturdy hitting by the tail brought Highgate victory.

Mill Hill

A. G. Humphries c Dare b Dean ..	25	N. R. White st Golt b Dare	3
M. Fielden b Dare	4	C. M. Wesson b Dean	2
J. G. Hillier c Smith b Dean	6	K. L. W. Armistead b Dare	2
D. D. Phipps b Dare	9	M. J. S. Tait not out	0
R. L. Cook b Dean	2	Extras	8
J. G. Bewsher c Dare b Dean	29		
C. W. Love b Dare	13		103

Highgate

R. D. Brown c Bewsher b Wesson ..	0	A. F. Golton lbw b Wesson	14
N. Gilpin lbw b Humphries	0	F. Dastur c Love b Humphries ...	20
G. S. Burrows b Wesson	0	J. D. G. Buchanan not out	22
C. Dean b Wesson	0	R. C. Lewis not out	2
J. C. Dare c Phipps b Armistead ..	24	Extras	5
G. A. Smith b Armistead	18		
D. M. Bland b Armistead	0		Nine wkts. 105

ROSSALL v. SHREWSBURY

At Rossall, May 28. Drawn. A fine stand between Gibson and Riding rescued Rossall from a first innings rout by Stapleton (seven for 44), and Gibson gave another admirable display after Farnell and Hill had placed Shrewsbury in a commanding position.

Shrewsbury

J. Farnell c Phillips b Muscutt	16	— c C. Smith b Heys	67
J. A. Howard st Benbow b Phillips ..	22	— lbw b Muscutt	7
M. A. Hill b Phillips	3	— not out	48
D. A. Spencer lbw b Phillips	1		
G. Woods b Muscutt	74	— not out	3
R. E. Medd b Muscutt	31		
A. B. Horton run out	32		
C. D. St. Johnson b Muscutt	1		
J. N. Webb not out	19	— c Rutherford b Phillips	0
H. G. Lewis b Muscutt	0		
J. G. Stapleton c Freeman b Heys	11		
Extras	22	Extras	11
	232		Three wkts., dec. 136

Rossall

C. A. Smith b Stapleton	0	— b Webb	5
M. M. Gibson lbw b St. Johnson	57	— c Farnell b Stapleton	47
J. G. Freeman b Stapleton	0	— lbw b Webb	17
W. D. Riding c Webb b St. Johnson	83	— c Hill b Farnell	1
D. A. Rutherford b Farnell	8	— run out	7
M. J. Timms lbw b Stapleton	0	— c Lewis b Stapleton	9
G. Muscutt c and b Stapleton	6	— c Medd b Webb	6
N. H. Phillips b Stapleton	3	— not out	8
R. Benbow not out	6	— not out	2
M. H. Heys c and b Stapleton	0		
G. D. Smith b Stapleton	0		
Extras	15	Extras	14
	178	Seven wkts.	116

TONBRIDGE v. BEDFORD

At Tonbridge, June 6, 7. Tonbridge won by nine wickets, so gaining their first victory over these long-standing rivals. They batted consistently and possessed a match-winning bowler in Brice, whose leg-breaks dismissed eleven Bedford batsmen for 85 runs in the match. Collinge made a great effort to save Bedford, but a polished innings by Crang brought Tonbridge victory.

Tonbridge

J. D. Lewis c Collinge b Murray-Clarke	0	— c Eldridge b Hay	12
R. F. Crang lbw b Collinge	26	— not out	60
F. D. M. Taylor b Strong	58	— not out	22
K. W. Pearce c Meeson b Collinge	35		
P. H. C. Fuente st Cook b J. Smith	28		
P. M. O'Dell b Street	8		
J. F. Campbell not out	69		
J. Kitching c Meeson b Murray-Clarke	9		
T. P. M. Neligan b Murray-Clarke	15		
E. St. J. Brice b Murray-Clarke	0		
R. B. Rutherford c P. Smith b Strong	0		
Extras	4	Extras	3
	252	One wkt.	97

Bedford

R. W. Street c Brice b Pearce	14	— c and b Brice	17
D. Coley c Kitching b Rutherford	21	— lbw b Pearce	8
P. Smith c Pearce b Taylor	4	— b Brice	10
R. A. Collinge st Crang b Taylor	8	— c Odell b Pearce	92
M. S. Meeson st Crang b Brice	10	— c Kitching b Brice	3
J. Smith c Fuente b Brice	3	— run out	5
P. C. Eldridge c Lewis b Brice	6	— c Rutherford b Brice	43
A. Strong c Crang b Pearce	14	— c and b Taylor	37
J. D. S. Hay c Fuente b Brice	4	— b Brice	28
D. W. E. G. Cook c Pearce b Brice	1	— not out	0
J. O. Murray-Clarke not out	0	— st Crang b Brice	8
Extras	1	Extras	11
	86		262

WINCHESTER v. CHARTERHOUSE

At Winchester, June 17. Drawn. Roynon, a last-minute deputy, batted splendidly for Charterhouse. Winchester began well, but sudden success by Cherry-Downes forced them on the defensive.

Charterhouse

P. M. Delarageaz lbw b Grafftey-Smith	1	R. P. Carless b Gridley	15
R. I. G. Hardcastle c Lawrence b McCausland	41	T. L. Todhunter lbw b Gridley	14
J. C. D. Pilley b Grafftey-Smith	2	M. C. Bryant c Gordon-Clark b Hichens	12
R. C. Pegler b McCausland	24	H. M. A. Cherry-Downes not out	3
H. C. Cairns c Gridley b Grafftey-Smith	23	I. M. Surman run out	2
G. D. Roynon c Maclure b Hichens	52	Extras	13
			202

Winchester

W. N. M. Lawrence b Bryant	24	D. B. D. Lowe b Pegler	14
F. W. Gordon-Clark b Bryant	41	M. H. Morse not out	4
J. R. S. Maclure lbw b Cherry-Downes	5	Extras	14
I. H. McCausland b Cherry-Downes	0		
R. Chester not out	26		
J. J. Grafftey-Smith c Carless b Cairns	6	Six wkts.	134

J. R. Arthur, R. C. Gridley and A. L. Hichens did not bat.

RADLEY v. SHERBORNE

At Radley, June 17, 18. Radley won by seven wickets after a splendid game, full of good cricket. With seventy-five minutes left Sherborne seemed safe, for, with five wickets standing, they stood 60 runs ahead. But Radley took these wickets in 12 maiden overs and hit off the runs in thirty-five minutes.

Sherborne

P. M. Lewis b Huddy	54	— c Davies b Huddy	2
A. J. T. Brown b Huddy	1	— c Waddilove b Huddy	1
B. D. C. Shields st Davies b Gleave	30	— st Davies b Duff	74
A. D. Pickering b Huddy	21	— c Dexter b Carr	22
R. Rydon b Huddy	39	— b Carr	0
J. D. F. Tucker hit wkt b Gleave	5	— c Cooper b Dexter	4
G. Read c Dexter b Duff	23	— c Perkins b Duff	6
B. E. C. Thomson b Huddy	23	— b Dexter	0
C. D. Beale c Walton b Duff	6	— c Gleave b Duff	0
J. M. Carter not out	5	— b Duff	0
R. Preston b Huddy	0	— not out	0
Extras	14	Extras	2
	221		111

Radley

A. C. Walton b Brown	90	— b Carter	14
J. S. Waddilove c Carter b Preston	29	— b Carter	12
C. E. B. L. Carr b Brown	29	— b Carter	2
E. R. Dexter c Lewis b Preston	30	— not out	17
S. M. Scott b Brown	14		
L. Cooper c and b Preston	69	— not out	18
T. I. Perkins b Brown	6		
J. B. Gleave b Brown	0		
R. R. Davies c Tucker b Carter	2		
M. W. G. Duff not out	2		
Extras	1	Extras	1

Nine wkts., dec. 272

Three wkts. 64

E. C. H. Huddy did not bat.

BRIGHTON v. DOVER

At Brighton, June 19. Brighton won by nine wickets through a magnificent innings by their captain, Parsons, who shared with Holker in an unfinished double-century partnership. Bairamian, the Dover captain, also batted exceptionally well with less support.

Dover

R. R. Bairamian not out	101	R. H. Mozley b Dingemans	29
J. H. Carter c Smith b Stewart....	1	J. D. S. Bullimore not out.....	18
H. A. Fagan b Halliday	5		
D. H. Gerty b Dingemans.....	9	Extras	10
A. R. Lousada c Smith b Halliday.	10		
E. M. S. Woodman run out	17	Six wkts., dec.	200

A. R. Stocken, R. P. Heaton and M. B. Kearon did not bat.

Brighton

D. I. Stewart b Woodman.....	0	Extras	5
A. F. Holker not out	72		
A. B. D. Parsons not out	124	One wkt.	201

R. M. Cardew, G. C. Halliday, R. L. A. Enfield, G. C. Smith, I. O. Dowding, B. Hersh, N. F. Dingemans, J. N. Little did not bat.

CHARTERHOUSE v. HARROW

At Charterhouse, June 20, 21. Drawn. Stylish batting by Hawke enabled Harrow to build a substantial first innings lead, but Hardcastle ensured that Charterhouse did not collapse again.

Charterhouse

R. I. G. Hardcastle b Clive	18	— c Hawke b Clive	65
G. D. Roynon c Strang b Nokes	24	— run out	31
J. C. D. Pilley c Hawke b Nokes	3	— b Neame	19
R. C. Pegler c Hawke b Hulbert	8	— not out	41
H. C. Cairns b Clive	0	— not out	11
J. A. Cann b Clive	8		
R. P. Carless c Hawke b Hulbert	72		
T. L. Todhunter c Nokes b Neame	20		
M. C. Bryant c Foster b Neame	7		
D. J. Bayfield lbw b Clive	5		
I. M. Surman not out	0		
Extras	10	Extras	8
	175	Three wkts.	175

Harrow

R. J. R. Simpson lbw b Cairns ...	16	A. R. B. Neame st Carr b Cairns ..	11
T. J. E. Lardner c Carr b Bayfield.	5	R. L. Feather not out	1
R. M. N. Green c Pegler b Surman.	1	D. J. Hulbert c and b Bryant	0
W. J. Foster c Todhunter b Bryant	38		
C. R. J. Hawke b Bayfield	152	Extras	7
C. A. Strang c and b Bryant.....	51		
J. M. Nokes st Carr b Cairns.....	38	Nine wkts., dec.	320

H. A. Clive did not bat.

ETON v. WINCHESTER

At Eton, June 28, 29. Drawn. Bowlers received so little encouragement from the Agar's Plough turf that these two powerful batting sides never appeared likely to produce a definite result in the time available. Lawrence, polished but cautious, was not seen at his best until joined by the left-handed Lowe. Then these two punished Eton's attack with firm, attractive strokes. Bowles, who hit eleven 4's, stayed until Eton were safely ahead, and, although Eckersley and Maclean batted brightly for the ninth wicket, Winchester were left with little alternative but to play for a draw. Lawrence again showed his mastery over the Eton bowlers, who were also handled severely by Scott.

Winchester

W. N. M. Lawrence c Marr b Eckersley .	95	— not out	70
F. W. Gordon-Clark b Maclean	10	— b Maclean	5
J. R. S. Maclure b Maclean	0	— b Maclean	32
I. H. McCausland c Morris b Eckersley .	10	— b Eckersley.....	10
M. D. Scott b Eckersley	15	— not out	34
R. Chester c Winter b Maclean	19	— b Maclean	45
D. B. D. Lowe b Maclean	63		
M. H. Morse c James b Robins	25		
G. M. T. Hodgson c Eckersley b Robins	2		
R. C. Gridley not out	7		
A. L. Hichens st Marr b Eckersley	0		
B 6, 1-b 5	11	B 6, w 3	9
	257	Four wkts.	205

Eton

P. L. B. Stoddart c Chester b Hodgson.....	1	D. A. C. Marr b McCausland	0
T. G. A. Bowles b Hodgson	113	T. J. Clegg c Scott b Hodgson	1
N. A. J. Winter c Lawrence b McCausland.....	19	R. A. Eckersley lbw b Hodgson ..	28
A. G. P. M. Morris c Maclure b Gridley	70	D. R. Maclean b Hodgson	29
A. M. Rankin c and b McCausland	43	R. A. James not out	1
R. V. C. Robins c Gordon-Clark b McCausland.....	7	B 14, 1-b 7, w 3, n-b 4	28
			340

Eton Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Maclean	27	4	60	4	15	4	43	3
James	17	2	42	0	6	2	9	0
Eckersley	28	0	87	4	19	0	79	1
Robins	22	5	36	2	10	3	28	0
Rankin	3	0	20	0	2	0	6	0
			Winter.....		3	2	5	0
			Clegg		3	0	14	0
			Morris.....		2	0	12	0

Winchester Bowling

Hodgson	17.5	4	52	5
Hichens	19	2	76	0
McCausland	41	10	102	4
Gridley.....	12	1	53	1
Morse.....	8	0	29	0

From 1826 to 1854 inclusive the match was played at Lord's, but since 1855 (when the sides met at Eton) the games have taken place alternately on the Eton and Winchester grounds.

Excluding the one-day war-time matches, the sides have met 111 times. Eton have won 54 and Winchester 27, one ended in a tie, and 29 have been drawn.

RESULTS SINCE THE WAR

1947	No match (illness).
1948	Winchester won by nine wickets.
1949	Drawn.
1950	Drawn.
1951	Eton won by 62 runs.
1952	Drawn.

CHELTENHAM v. CLIFTON

At Cheltenham, July 7, 8. Cheltenham won by 70 runs. A second-wicket partnership between Thompson and Sidbury, followed by aggressive batting by Reynolds, enabled Cheltenham to reach a useful total. Spooner-Lillingston and Newman received little support, and although Clifton retaliated through Hanson (eight for 63), their second-innings task was too difficult.

Cheltenham

H. R. P. Thompson c Spooner-Lillingston b Hanson	40	—	c Layng b Rowberry	8
R. R. Kershaw c Layng b Rowberry	1	—	st Layng b Hanson	21
D. J. Sidbury lbw b Hanson	35	—	b Hanson	7
J. le M. Lawrence b Morgan	0	—	c Jackson b Hanson	1
J. A. Naylor c Bonham-Carter b Hanson	27	—	b Hanson	39
P. H. Blackburn c Layng b Morgan	0	—	hit wkt b Hanson	14
D. J. G. James st Layng b Hanson	7	—	lbw b Hanson	5
D. S. Reynolds c Jackson b Rowberry	43	—	b Hanson	2
R. M. Blackburn c and b Rowberry	6	—	b Morgan	8
P. H. Seddon not out	11	—	lbw b Hanson	9
N. H. Lindo c Bonham-Carter b Rowberry	0	—	not out	0
Extras	21		Extras	9
	191			123

Clifton

J. R. P. Spooner-Lillingston lbw b Seddon	45	—	c and b Thompson	9
T. F. C. Hanson c Thompson b P. Blackburn	2	—	b Reynolds	4
R. C. Callinan b Thompson	5	—	b Thompson	0
R. G. Newman c James b Thompson	30	—	b Reynolds	36
R. D. Bonham-Carter b Seddon	0	—	c P. Blackburn b Thompson	11
A. F. Martin run out	0	—	lbw b Reynolds	0
S. T. G. Morgan b P. Blackburn	0	—	lbw b Thompson	11
T. J. Rowberry lbw b P. Blackburn	1	—	b P. Blackburn	10
G. H. Jackson b P. Blackburn	18	—	not out	23
T. H. Layng b P. Blackburn	1	—	b Seddon	2
R. E. Birley not out	6	—	b Seddon	0
Extras	16		Extras	14
	124			120

MALVERN v. REPTON

At Malvern, July 8, 9. Drawn. Malvern fought back so well after a disastrous first innings that they nearly forced victory, Repton being 10 runs behind with two wickets left when stumps were drawn.

Malvern

R. H. E. Russell b Pyne	36	—	c Greenhalgh b Weir	37
W. A. N. Lane run out	0	—	b Cope	7
J. Vardé b Cope	2	—	lbw b Williams	9
T. J. Smellie c Steward b Pyne	2	—	c and b Cope	8
M. M. D. Laidlaw st Greenhalgh b Pyne	1	—	c Barnes b Pyne	42
J. W. Potter c Cope b Pyne	0	—	c Greenhalgh b Weir	8
I. C. Maclaurin lbw b Cope	46	—	c Cropper b Pyne	65
B. C. Jones c and b Weir	6	—	lbw b Cope	2
T. J. Straker c Greenhalgh b Cope	6	—	not out	15
O. Hanson lbw b Cope	3	—	b Williams	2
J. D. Pepper not out	2	—	c Greenhalgh b Weir	2
Extras	8		Extras	21
	112			218

Repton

J. A. Nelson-Jones b Smellie	11	—	st Russell b Potter	19
J. L. A. Barnes c Russell b Smellie	37	—	b Potter	1
S. M. Starkey b Smellie	10	—	b Smellie	12
J. M. Cropper c Hanson b Lane	62	—	c Laidlaw b Pepper	28
P. M. Cope b Pepper	12	—	b Lane	11
R. G. Walter c Smellie b Lane	6	—	b Maclaurin	9
W. H. M. Pyne not out	43	—	c Maclaurin b Smellie	16
E. E. Greenhalgh b Pepper	4	—	not out	1
M. R. Steward b Pepper	2	—	run out	2
A. G. P. Weir c Jones b Smellie	12	—	not out	2
D. A. R. Williams b Lane	2		Extras	6
Extras	12			107
	213		Eight wks.	107

MARLBOROUGH v. CHELTENHAM

At Marlborough, July 18, 19. Marlborough won by 75 runs. Excellent bowling by Wales, who took twelve wickets for 75 runs in the match, was the chief factor in Marlborough's success.

Marlborough

M. H. Darroch c Evans b P. Blackburn	14	—	c Lawrence b Thompson	26
D. F. R. Lord c Evans b P. Blackburn	18	—	c Evans b P. Blackburn	12
P. R. H. Anderson c Reynolds b P. Blackburn	13	—	c Lawrence b Thompson	20
J. G. Surrige c Lawrence b P. Blackburn	16	—	b James	28
G. W. Thompson b James	10	—	c Lawrence b Reynolds	27
D. W. Hogg c and b Thompson	6	—	b James	2
C. W. Calver not out	51	—	c Seddon b Thompson	11
C. B. Wales c Naylor b Reynolds	18	—	c Evans b P. Blackburn	3
J. D. Bushill lbw b Reynolds	7	—	not out	22
R. M. Lewis c Lawrence b Thompson	0	—	b P. Blackburn	11
J. C. C. Allan (absent at exams.)	1	—	b P. Blackburn	1
B 10, l-b 2, n-b 2	14		B 10, l-b 2	12
	167			175

Cheltenham

H. R. P. Thompson c Darroch b Wales	32	— c Surridge b Lewis	5
R. R. Kershaw b Lewis	15	— c Lewis b Wales	30
D. J. Sidbury c Thompson b Lewis	4	— st Thompson b Wales	18
J. le M. Lawrence c Lewis b Wales	2	— c Thompson b Wales	20
J. A. Naylor c Hogg b Wales	30	— b Wales	3
P. H. Blackburn b Wales	0	— st Thompson b Wales	6
D. J. G. James lbw b Allan	23	— c Bushill b Wales	2
D. S. Reynolds c Lord b Allan	27	— c Hogg b Wales	8
R. M. Blackburn c Anderson b Allan	0	— b Lord	0
J. M. Evans lbw b Wales	1	— b Lord	3
P. H. Seddon not out	6	— not out	8
B 11, 1-b 1, n-b 2	14	L-b 5, w 1, n-b 4	10
	154		113

CLIFTON v. RUGBY

At Clifton, July 30, 31. Rugby won by seven wickets. After an even first-innings struggle Clifton collapsed against Shaw (five for 13) and Hunt (four for 27), and Rugby were left a simple task.

Clifton

A. R. W. Chanter run out	15	— b Hunt	2
R. D. Bonham-Carter b Ward	24	— c Marshall b Hunt	1
R. C. Callinan c Currie b Preece	39	— c Dyde b Shaw	20
R. G. Newman b Ward	6	— c Trentham b Shaw	20
A. F. Martin b Ward	1	— b Hunt	10
J. E. A. Mocatta b Preece	12	— c Shaw b Preece	1
T. F. C. Hanson run out	10	— lbw b Hunt	4
T. J. Rowberry b Boddington	19	— c Currie b Shaw	15
G. H. Jackson c Ward b Shaw	11	— not out	1
T. H. Layng b Hunt	8	— b Shaw	0
A. P. Vening not out	0	— b Shaw	0
Extras	3	Extras	1
	148		75

Rugby

E. M. Rose c Bonham-Carter b Jackson	41	— not out	36
M. A. Eagar b Vening	3	— b Rowberry	5
J. A. Dyde c and b Vening	1	— c and b Rowberry	5
R. A. Hunt c and b Hanson	22	— b Rowberry	1
R. M. H. Boddington c Newman b Hanson	0	— not out	19
D. A. C. Marshall b Jackson	52		
D. G. Trentham lbw b Jackson	0		
M. J. S. Preece c Hanson b Jackson	4		
G. D. C. Shaw not out	5		
G. A. A. Currie b Jackson	13		
R. W. Ward b Jackson	2		
Extras	11	Extras	5
	154	Three wkts.	71

