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Welcome to the final article for this academic year, which once again features the memories (only slightly amended to fit the space) of a local Y6 pupil, leaving to attend Steyning Grammar School from September 2016, in the footsteps of his older brother whose individual 'Y6 Memories' featured in this magazine at the end of his respective Y6.

.....I don't remember much about my first day at school, I think I was quite scared and hid behind my mum. The first friend I made was Flynn Cresswell. I went up to him, at the big red Lego box and we became friends instantly!

I remember being taught by Mrs Pockett. Whenever you hurt your leg, she would say it would be *cut off!* The first time she said this I actually believed her! I loved 'Show and Tell' in Reception, it was such fun. On Fridays it was always Olivia Mackay and my turn. I quickly made friends with Cameron Young and Samuel Newman after we had a competition, who could build the biggest Lego space ship. I remember doing Jolly Phonics and there was an action for each letter, and a sheet to colour in. The action for N was an aeroplane which I was happy about.

I was really scared when I was doing my first Sports Day; I was in the Yellows so I sat with them by the side of the track. Whenever it was our turn to race, I started to worry, all those eyes staring at us. But, at the end of the Day, I turned out to really like it because of our own 'Go to Bed' race.

One of my favourite things about Y1 was half way through it, Seth Tamlyn joined! He and I became friends straight away as I had to read to him. I remember in Y1 doing P.E on the field with Mrs Smith, or Ms Evans as she was then. My favourite thing was the Hoop game, where you had to find a hoop to go in and out of and each time Mrs Smith or Mrs Pockett would take away a hoop so it became more and more difficult.

In Y2 I remember writing lots of stories about Doctor Who and sharing them with the class. Flynn helped. I remember having play on the field and playing 'Bulldog', running from one end of the field to the other, it was tiring. In Y2, we started doing French with Madame Loveless and the words I will never forget are: 'comme ci comme ca' (which mean 'in the middle').

One of my favourite years was Y3 as I made lots of new friends and we did a really interesting topic on World War Two. I remember people joining, like Ben, Kate and Jemma, and Ewan coming back to Ashurst. I remember playing lots of football with the Y4s. We each had nicknames and I remember Seth's was 'The Unknown'.

Mrs Robins and Mrs Harwell taught us, they came in on different days, which was confusing. I remember building Anderson shelters with Mrs Robins and Mrs Harwell teaching us music and playing the piano. I loved going to Tangmere Museum and seeing all the amazing planes and going on the flight simulator (I was really bad). I loved Y3 because we also did after school clubs and one was Chess, which I loved.

In Y4 some sad news occurred, Seth Tamlyn was leaving. But... there was some good news, Harry Sinclair was arriving. We did biographies about each other. I remember becoming much better friends with Billy and Benjamin. In Y4, I remember doing lots and lots of maths. Our topic was 'The Iron Man', the book not the superhero. I loved building a massive Iron Man, the class was separated into groups and each group made a different head. It was really fun sharing it in our Sharing assembly.

I remember going into Y5 and being worried, there was a new teacher, Miss Jordan. Miss Jordan introduced *free writing* and I could practice writing stories, poems and diaries. In Y5 I was really happy to be back in the same class as Thomas, Ewan and Ben. I loved our topic on the Victorians and remember going to Preston Manor where the house keeper, Mrs Storey was really strict and scary when she was acting.

One of the main reasons I loved Y5 was SWANAGE. It was so much fun, and luckily I was in the same room as the rest of the Y5 boys. I remember doing sand castle competitions and rock pooling (finding the crabs was fun). I also enjoyed the long walk to Corfe Castle.

Sadly, at Christmas time Mr Cham, passed away. We had raised a lot of money for Kotukala School and it was really fun when Mr Cham visited, He may have passed away but we will always remember him.

Finally, Y6, I was scared, we always had to set a good example to everyone. Our first topic was the Greeks and I loved doing the Greek feast, even though I didn't like any of the food! At Christmas everything was very busy with the Christmas party and the Bazaar, which I loved. I teamed up with Cameron and Billy; we did the Lucky Dip and Bounce the Ball into the Cup. There was the Christmas play and... it was 'Robin Hood' and guess who was Sheriff? Me, YAY! I had to sing a song with Flynn who was Gisborne. It was really enjoyable and my picture won the front cover of the programme.

Then there was Spring term: a very interesting visit to a mosque in Worthing AND Mrs Williams to teach us further maths and English. We did the SATS. They were hard, but I felt surprisingly confident... maybe I could do another one, just one. ALSO, I was so excited to hear that I was Board Two on the school's Chess team; I won two games out of three in the final Competition!

I have really enjoyed being at Ashurst and I'm really going to make the most of my last days. I'm going to say **THANK YOU EVERYONE**. I may be going to Steyning Grammar from September but, as an Ashurst boy AND pupil, this will always be the best school EVER.. ..

And we say **THANK-YOU** to Nathaniel too! An annual booklet of 'Y6 Memories' is sent home to all families in July. They are included in the 'School Prospectus 2016-2017' (now available *on-line*) and are also shared with School Governors when the Y6 pupils attend the Governors final meeting of the academic year in July.

We wish all eight pupils leaving every happiness and success in their new schools: five are transferring to Steyning Grammar, one to the Towers, one to Downlands and one to a school in Devon; and invite all members of the Parish to join us for the special 'Y6 Leavers' Assembly' in school at 9.15am on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2016, and to stay for coffee and biscuits afterwards. Please visit the school's website for ALL school events - you are warmly invited to join us at, and for, ALL of them.

We thank you for the tremendous support we have enjoyed throughout another happy and successful school year and send you our good wishes for a splendid summer.