

# ELLIOT MINOR



The My Space competition to win the chance to host the ultimate school party with rock band, Elliot Minor, caught the imagination of students at Laurence Jackson School. After frenzied voting they were delighted to hear that not only were they one of five schools nationally who will be host a gig but that they have also won £1,000 worth of musical instruments.

Students voted in the My Space competition and after weeks of agonising waiting they discovered that they were one of the schools who had submitted the highest number of votes.

The free concert took place on Tuesday 28 April at 3.30pm when 300 students from Years 8 to 11 rocked to the beat of two of our outstanding school bands, 'The Mentulls' and 'Seven Reasons Why.' In a very close run competition, 'The Mentulls' were selected to be featured on the My Space website. This was followed by an unforgettable electric performance by Elliot Minor which enthralled our students. It was certainly a gig to remember!

During the day there was a once in a lifetime opportunity for those students who instigated the voting to meet the band and to help backstage during the concert.

Top York based quintet Elliot Minor are looking forward to their School Invasion tour this spring. "We love to play our music live and this competition is all about bringing music to the schools," says frontman Alex Davies. "Our love of music started at school with passionate teachers and mates who would get together to play music and learn the hits of the day; we can't wait to go back to school with MySpace, meet everyone and put on a great show for the winners."

Jonathan Codling, Head of Music, said, "Our students were so enthusiastic and the atmosphere electric as our hall was transformed into a wall a sound accompanied by an impressive light show. Elliot Minor were brilliant and were ably supported our top school bands who also gave amazing performances. I would like to thank everyone who got involved in this event. The £1000 donation will be spent on purchasing some new musical instruments which will provide further opportunities for our many talented students."