## **Old School Song**

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From playing fields to killing fields: just one small step of m adness.

Officer training, uniform, boys together shower together.

Rank and file can be just fine but that's not what we're here f or.

So, sign upon the dotted line, be commissioned, Hell for leathe  ${\tt r.}$ 

How we sang that old school song, from Pirates of Penzance. Foemen bearing steel, we slapped our chests and raised our voic es.

No mad poets we, or painters twee but young men with a yearning to flex our might for all that's right when face with moral choices.

Wrapped in the old school song, we fly our colours high. Bravo! The old school song! Harsh reality, by and by.

Dad delivered us from the Hun and we reflect his selfless deed on this desert plain of conflict where special forces, choppers need.

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boy coming to collect you, lift you up and then protect you. Be this gung or be this ho, may glorious battle resurrect you.

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