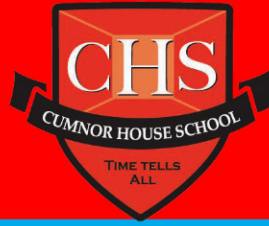


CUMNOR HOUSE SCHOOL

27 JANUARY 2017



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

A few words from the Headmaster:

There is something exciting about this time of year. The mornings are gradually getting lighter and the weather slightly warmer, though you would not think so this time last week. All are well into the routines of this busy spring term, and hopefully making the most of the many opportunities on offer at Cumnor House Boys School.

I had the pleasure of attending two very enjoyable assemblies this week with similar themes. On Wednesday Mrs. Turner's assembly for the Prep School focused on making mistakes, and how to move forward positively. Then on Thursday 6B did a wonderful adaptation of 'The Return of the Prodigal Son', one of the Bible stories. There was a very important message for the boys about the fact that we will all make mistakes. Equally important is how we learn from them and move forward with confidence.

Each Tuesday morning I visit the Treetops Nursery setting and this week I was at the South Croydon site. Seeing the young children happily learning and playing is all I need to cheer me up. The nursery parents also recently received the exciting news that the Pavilion will be replaced with a new build on the same footprint during the summer holidays. The new build will also benefit Prep School boys as there will be new changing facilities included. I will be meeting with the project manager soon, and hope to have designs on display in the coming weeks.

Sadly the recent very cold weather has stopped most of the rugby fixtures, but we are all hopeful that a full programme of matches will resume next week. Good luck to all Cumnor House teams.

Mr Steadman

CROYDON SCHOOLS' SWIMMING FINALS

We had a very successful evening at the Croydon Schools' Year 7 and 8 Swimming Finals at Trinity School on Thursday 19th January.

In Year 7, Arun Oelkers won in Backstroke and Daniele Moscarello won the Butterfly. Ovie Whiskey finished second in the Freestyle, missing first place by only 2 tenths of a second! Rayyan Ahmed finished third in the Breaststroke and in Year 8 Kyle Debrah finished second, again only losing out by 2 tenths of a second. William Langton and Sebastian Yip were both Fourth in the Breaststroke and Backstroke respectively and Connor Chappell finished fifth in the Freestyle.

We also finished third in all three of the relays which was a very good performance considering the majority of the team were competing against boys a year older than them. The most pleasing aspect of the gala for me was that every boy swam a personal best time.

Mr Fitzgerald

U10 A Shrewsbury House Tournament

On a cold but dry day at Shrewsbury House the Under 10's put together a display of great team performances. Playing against mostly "A" team sides and playing with a number of regular team members missing due to other commitments, all of the boys involved showed exactly what it means to wear the Cumnor House jersey. There were two rounds of matches in festival format which meant the boys got to play variety of teams and showcase their skills to many of the spectators. An excellent team performance after a rocky start against Danes Hill saw the team go from strength to strength, eventually winning the final three games in a row. Ethan Brown gave a spectacular performance, he was aggressive in defence and cunning in attack. A special mention must go to Zakariya Dossa who stepped up his game to make some crucial tackles, he played with calmness and precision when attacking.

Mr Barnett

Round 1

Vs Danes Hill L 20-5 tries, Ethan Brown

Vs Shrewsbury House B D 15-15 tries, Jasper Brown, Luke Henstock-Smith, Zakariya Mirza

Vs St. Georges D 5-5 tries, Ethan Brown

Round 2

Vs St. Benedicts W 15-0 tries, Ethan Brown x2, Zakariya Mirza

Vs KCS W 10-5 tries, Ethan Brown x2

Vs St. Columba's W 15-5 tries, Ethan Brown, Jasper Brown, Zakariya Mirza



6E History – Trench Cake



In History we have been studying the First World War. Mr Crosbie, asked us to bake a cake called 'Trench Cake' for homework. This cake is made with vinegar and without any eggs, the so-called 'Trench Cake' does not sound the most appealing of treats but for the soldiers fighting in the First World War, it was a taste of home that they could not wait to receive in parcels on the front line. Arav, Jake and I all made cakes and brought them in for our next history lesson. The cakes were then shared out amongst the class. All agreed that the cakes were delicious. This was a tasty slice of prep, the sort of homework you could really get your teeth into!

Gilbert Wright – 6E

STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's Stars are:-

Danes	Arun Oelkers	7B
Normans	Ayaan Mughal	3J
Romans	James Naughton	7B
Saxons	Humzah Khan	3F

EVENTS FOR WEEK BEGINNING 30 JANUARY 2017

Monday 30 January	Tuesday 31 January	Wednesday 1 February	Thursday 2 February	Friday 3 February
U13 A & B v Dulwich Prep (H) 3.00 - 4.30 p.m.	U10 A - E v Dulwich Prep (A) 1.30 - 5.00 p.m.	Bonus Round of the Primary Maths Challenge	3M Assembly (Parents Welcome) 8.30 a.m.	U8 A & B v Westminster (H) 2.30 - 4.00 p.m.
	U11 A - D v Danes Hill (H) 1.30 - 4.00 p.m.	U12 A & U13 A & B v Westminster Choir School (A) 1.30 - 5.00 p.m.	Year 4 - 6 Croydon Schools' Preliminaries @ Purley Pool 9.00 a.m.	
		Year 5 - 8 IAPS Preliminary round @ James Allen Girls' School 4.00 p.m.	U9 A - D v New Beacon (H) 2.30 - 4.00 p.m.	