

CUMNOR HOUSE SCHOOL



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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Message from Mr Steadman

This has certainly been a busy week for the boys, with all year groups attending school visits on Tuesday. This is something we are trialing this year, and will now review to see if things worked as well as anticipated. Year 7 boys have spent the last few days in Paris, and are expected back at school this afternoon. The daily Facebook posts have shown that they are most definitely enjoying themselves, and improving their French. As mentioned in the letter I circulated earlier this week, school trips are extremely important for the boys. During their time at Cumnor House they will have the opportunity to be involved in a range of day and residential trips at home and abroad.

I spent the first part of this week attending the IAPS Head's conference in London. There were some excellent speakers, including Natasha Devon MBE, Gabby Logan and Tony Little (former headmaster of Eton College). The theme was 'Leading Change', and this certainly gave me much food for thought. It is also an opportunity to network and discuss 'hot' educational topics with fellow head teachers.

Finally, I would like to thank the PA and all who were involved in the MacMillan coffee morning today. This is an excellent charity, and one which is close to my heart at the moment.

Floyd Steadman - Headmaster



**BOYS' SCHOOL AND
TREETOPS NURSERY**

**OPEN MORNING
TOMORROW**

Tell Your Friends!

9.30 - 11.30 AM



Next Wednesday 5 October

Don't forget, if you did the last walk on Wednesday 21 September, you need to complete this walk as well to get your 'Walk to School' badge.

CUMNOR HOUSE U11A TEAM ARE LONDON REGION WINNERS 2016-17 AND QUALIFY FOR NATIONALS!

ISFA U11 LONDON REGION SEVEN-A-SIDE CHAMPIONSHIP



The London Schools' tournament at Alleyn's was enjoyed by 17 participating schools on a beautiful autumn day in South East London. Alleyn's, Arnold House and Hornsby House emerged as the three group winners, with all three teams having not lost a game. These teams were joined in the quarter final by: Cumnor House, Hampton Prep, Dulwich Prep, Thomas's Battersea and Thomas's Clapham.

In the quarter final, Alleyn's and Hampton Prep had to settle the score on penalties after a 2-2 draw. It was Alleyn's who rose under the pressure, winning 3-2. Dulwich Prep, who qualified as one of the best third places from the groups, knocked out Group winners Arnold House 1-0. Hornsby House and

Cumnor House also progressed to the semi-final with comfortable wins.

Some excellent football was witnessed in the semi-finals and both games were tense affairs. Dulwich Prep overcame Hornsby House in a penalty shootout after a 0-0 draw, and Cumnor House scored against an undefeated Alleyn's to put them in the final. The Final was an excellent game but neither team could capitalise on the attack resulting in a goalless draw at full time. It took extra time to separate the two teams with Cumnor House scoring in the latter stages to claim victory and remain unbeaten throughout the day, scoring 11 goals and only conceding 1!

Both finalists may now look forward to the St. George's Park experience in May for the National Finals.

Mr Brotherton

U7 Cranmore Tournament



On a beautiful Saturday morning at the luscious leafy Cranmore School, year 2 were invited to play at their annual 5 a-side football tournament. It was the first competitive fixture for the boys and they didn't disappoint.

The boys progressed through to the semi-finals having won 3 games & drawing 1 in their group. They scored 6 goals in total, conceding only 2!

Unfortunately, despite an extremely dominant performance, Cranmore earned victory with a late winner. A special mention goes to Kyle Dalling for his unquestionable commitment, determination & skill.

Well done boys!

Mr Cobb

CUMNOR HOUSE V DULWICH PREP STAFF MATCH



After 2 years in waiting the Cumnor House staff football team once again dropped their whistles, board pens and in one case musical notes book, to proudly wear their boots, shin-pads and Cumnor shirts for a fixture against Dulwich College. The match was held away at Dulwich College on their 11-a-side Astro Turf pitch.

Despite changes to the team, with new signings Barnett, Dwyer and Cobb all making their debuts, confidence was high after our previous win over Whitgift. Further confidence was gained when late fitness doubts Gray and Jones were both passed fit in the week building up to the match.

The match started at a ferocious pace with former signing Cooper and late fitness doubt Gray linking up down the right hand side as if they were Gary Neville and David Beckham in their prime. This early pace set by the CHS team resulted in our 'ringer', a late call up from Hornsby House School, putting us 2-0 up. What came next was simply magical. Clever link up play from Sizer and Jones paved the way for Brotherton to curl the ball into the top right hand corner from nothing short of 30 yards, a goal right out of the top draw. The first half finished 3-0 to CHS.

The 2nd half brought more of the same. Superb composure in midfield and defence didn't allow Dulwich College to get back into the match, with Barnett and Dwyer playing with ease at the back, as if their partnership had been flourishing for years. Jones and Battams also dominated possession in the midfield, despite one or two minor disagreements. Aggression in defence, with Cobb, despite kicking the floor with serious power attempting a cross field pass, making slide tackle after slide tackle frustrated the Dulwich College attack. In places a lack of fitness almost cost us the clean sheet we so desired, with Gray finding the transition from Rugby to Football rather challenging. However, after a magical effort from Sizer that was only just saved by the goalkeeper, 2 more goals, another from our 'ringer', and a final Beckham special from Gray ended the match at 5-0 to CHS.

Man Of The Match: Cobb (100% commitment)

Mr Battams

Year 4 Trip to London



Our day started in Parliament Gardens looking at Auguste Rodin's bronze sculpture of 'The Burghers of Calais' and The Buxton Memorial Fountain which commemorates the abolition of slavery. The Palace of Westminster was full of elaborate staircases and in the Robing Room, designed by Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, the Prince Regent, we saw the monarch's ornate throne and a model of the original Palace from the time of Henry VIII. One of the boys wondered if it had been created by a 3D printer! Not in those days! The House of Lords, with the magnificent red leather benches and the House of Commons in green leather, encouraged many questions and proved very interesting, especially the microphone systems, which the boys thought would be too high above the heads of the members to work properly. We discovered that only privileged Lords and elected members were allowed to sit down in the chambers and saw statues of Winston Churchill, Lloyd George and Margaret Thatcher. A beautiful oil painting of 'Cannes' by Churchill was a recent gift from the Churchill family and currently hangs in the lobbying corridor.

The South Bank held more surprises, including street entertainers, the Virtual Orchestra and a 4D Experience and finally 'The London Eye' which on a clear day - provided an excellent viewing platform to enjoy the whole of London from the air - the best city in the world! Year 4 was brilliant and everyone had an exciting and informative day - thank you to Mr.Parkes-Reeves for his great organisation.

Mrs Carley

Year 6 Trip to The Horniman Museum



Year 6 spent an enjoyable day travelling by train to visit the well-loved Horniman Museum and Gardens. We spent part of the morning in the outside sound garden, where the exquisite sounds of 'Mary had a little lamb', among other tunes, could be heard floating across the park. Next, complete with hard hats, magnifying glasses and archtools, we excavated dinosaur eggs. Lunch was followed by a deep sea dive to meet Dory, Nemo, and more than one poisonous blue frog! Finally, the boys learnt about musical instruments, both past and present, from across the world, and our visit ended as it had begun: loudly!

Miss Lloyd

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Please remember your donations for Pre-Prep Harvest Assembly on Monday and the Prep School Assembly on Wednesday. They will be gratefully received and will be distributed this year by The Salvation Army.



STAR OF THE WEEK

This week's Stars are:-

	Danes	Abdullah Kassam	5L	
	Normans	Kai-Reece Adams-Collman	5G	
	Romans	Isa Khan	5G	
		Atul Venkatesh	3M	
		Kanishk Srivastava	5G	
	Saxons	Luke Henstock-Smith	5L	

EVENTS FOR WEEK BEGINNING 3 OCTOBER 2016

Monday 3 October	Tuesday 4 October	Wednesday 5 October	Thursday 6 October	Friday 7 October
Pre-Prep Harvest Festival Assembly 10.00 a.m.	Year 7 Trip to Paris Departs 6.30 a.m. (latest)	Walk to School Day	U9 A - E v New Beacon (H) 2.30 p.m	U8 A - F v Danes Hill (H) 2.00 p.m.
RG/RN Progress Meeting 1.30 - 4.00 p.m.	U10 A - E v Dulwich College (A) 1.30 p.m.	Prep School Harvest Festival Assembly 8.30 p.m.		
1st XI, 2nd IX & 3rd IX v Hawthorns (A) 3.30 p.m.	U11 A - E v Danes Hill (A) 1.30 p.m.	RC Progress Meeting 1.30 - 4.00 p.m.		
	Reception Progress Meeting 5.30 - 7.00 p.m.	1st XI & 3rd IX v Rokeby (A) 1.30p.m.		
		2nd, 4th & 5th IX v Rokeby (H) 1.30p.m.		
		Year 3 Progress Meeting 5.30 - 8.00 p.m.		
		Year 4 Progress Meeting 5.30 - 8.00 p.m.		