CUMNOR HOUSE SCHOOL

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Year 7 Trip to Paris September 2016







Lightly packed, the boys walked to Purley station and soon realised that this trip was going to be educational in so many different ways; travelling by Eurostar to Paris and walking to tourist attractions, immediately gave the boys an opportunity to develop their sense of responsibility, direction and awareness.

We were fortunate that the Autumn sun shone each day, as we visited the beautiful and enchanting sites of Paris. Our adventures included a walk to Montmartre where we visited le Sacré Coeur and la Place des Tertres. Caricatures and sketches were drawn; snacks, drinks, ice-creams and souvenirs were bought.

A river boat trip on the Seine enabled us to admire all the monuments, buildings and churches as we listened to the guide explaining the historical significance of each. Les Invalides was of great interest, as we looked down upon Napoléon's impressive tomb and wondered at the ornate architecture of l'Église St Louis. The boys were fascinated to see the variety of artillery, armour and weapons in le Musée de l'Armée used to fight past and present wars.

La Tour Eiffel was enjoyed by all. Some choosing to walk to the second floor and all enjoying the panoramic view from the very top. A visit to Le Louvre enabled the boys to admire la Joconde closely and marvel at the glass Pyramide in the centre of this ancient and impressive museum. Parisian life at Notre Dame, with street sellers and surrounding cafés, as well as its welcoming park, gave the boys a chance to relax and enjoy the atmosphere. Our last evening included a trip to la Tour Montparnasse from where the twinkling lights of la Tour Eiffel, as well as a fantastic view of Paris at night, will remain a cherished memory for us all.

Year 7 learnt that maps were useful and lost tickets meant less personal spending money. Listening carefully to instructions and following safety guidelines whilst walking around busy tourist attractions, ensured that they all grew in independence and maturity.

Many thanks to Mr Turner, Mr Brotherton and Mrs Marange for making this trip such a memorable experience, and congratulations to the Year 7 boys for their behaviour and keen interest in discovering the delights of Paris.

Mme Bartlett







U10A Cranmore Tournament On Saturday brought the first tournament of 2016 for the U10s, the inaugural Cranmore 5-a-side. Despite leaving CHS in beautiful sunshine, torrential rain welcomed us on arrival to Cranmore, meaning ball control and concentration were to be the main challenges of the day.

We were drawn to play Lanesborough, KCJS and Parkside in the group stage, with only the top 2 teams progressing on to the main semi-final. After a slow start, looking nervy in possession and in front of goal, a slight change in formation, moving Luke to the bottom of the diamond and Ethan into the midfield, helped us to dominate the game. This resulted in a rebounded shot from Nick being slotted home by Ethan to give us the valuable 3 points. Our second match against KCJS brought much better quality on the ball and excellent composure in front of goal. Two goals from Ethan and one from Kai-Reece secured victory. This meant we only needed a draw against Parkside to progress through, however, after an excellent one on one save from Arlen, the boys didn't sit back and went on to win 3-1 with Kai-Reece impressively scoring 2 of these goals.

The semi-final was nail-bitingly tense. After missing a number of chances, the game was tied at 0-0 meaning penalties would determine our fate. Cool heads from Kai-Reece, Zak D and Luke, along with a superb save from Arlen, resulted in us winning 3-2 on penalties and making it through to the final. We were to play Danes Hill, a strong side who had scored a number of goals during the day. Just before kick-off I said to the team something Roy Keane once quoted, 'big players, big performances, big matches', and they didn't disappoint! 4 minutes into the final Kai-Reece picked up the ball 30 yards from goal, dropped his shoulder and beat his defender, then bent the ball into the top right-hand corner, a wonderful individual goal. The team created more chances during the match, but were unable to finish any and the final finished 1-0 to CHS. A brilliant day, well done boys!

Mr Battams

Football Boys-U10A	Lanesborough School	Won 1-0	Tournament Group Match
Football Boys-U10A	King's College School (KCS), Wimbledon	Won 3-0	Tournament Group Match
Football Boys-U10A	Parkside School	Won 3-0	Tournament Group Match
Football Boys-U10A	Cranmore School	Won 0-0	Tournament Semi-Final
Football Boys-U10A	Danes Hill School	Won 1-0	Tournament Final

Chris Philp the MP for South Croydon Visits Cumnor House School

On Friday 23 September, the boys in Years 4-8 were fortunate enough to have a visit from Chris Philp, the Conservative Member of Parliament for Croydon South. He spoke enthusiastically about his role as an MP and what it is like in Parliament. We were surprised to hear that they have bells in the Houses of Parliament and when it rings MPs only have 8 minutes to get to the voting chamber to vote. We were able to ask some questions which included his perspective on Brexit and his take on the proposal for grammar schools. He was a very enthusiastic and fun person and we really liked him.





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Year 3 Trip to The Horniman Museum











The Year Three trip to the Horniman Museum was a learning packed and fun day as the boys experienced a wide range of new opportunities- from sitting on the top deck of the coach to playing wonderful instruments from around the world.

Alison, our Museum Educator had laid out a huge array of instruments made from wood, bone, animal skins, gourds and iron. The children asked questions about and played Yoruba drums from Nigeria, the Mbira from Zimbabwe and the Bodhran from Ireland in addition to Balinese xylophones and zithers, to name just a few.

The aquarium provided some quiet time to reflect on our learning about the seven life processes, after which a trip to see the Alpacas and explore the beautiful gardens provided some exercise and fresh air. A huge and heartfelt thanks to the wonderful team who made the day a success!









Mrs Figueira

Year 5 let loose in London! After a short journey into the capital, the boys left the coach with excitement and optimism. The first stage of the London adventure was to become part of the virtual philharmonic orchestra, this was a fantastic interactive opportunity that allowed the boys to take the role of a musician, conductor or merely embrace the wonder of the orchestra. One of the highlights has to be the boys having a chance to hit the Tam Tam and Bass drum. Rumour has it the sounds can still be heard echoing around the south bank! After a quick lunch, the boys and Mr Grey had an opportunity to climb, hang, jump and swing around a challenging outdoor adventure playground. The adventure then continued with a short march across the Thames to one of the world's most famous roads; 10 Downing Street. After some riged security checks the boys strolled down the street to hear about the history and stories of the renowned building. The group had just enough time to take a photo outside the famous door before the police moved everyone on as the Prime Minister was leaving the house!

With the blue flashing light behind us, the next stop on the adventure was the Houses of Parliament. This was a fascinating tour that inspired all to question the history and day to day workings of this establishment. Once the tour had finished the boys had the opportunity to create and debate policies they thought should be in place. Number one on the year 5s' agenda was 'Should homework be banned?'. Thankfully all the boys came to their senses and agreed with Mr Parkes-Reeves that homework should be doubled or it would be a long walk home! Also the boys were fortunate to meet the MP for Croydon, Chris Philp (again) who was happy to answer questions from; What is the Prime Minister like? What are your thoughts on Brexit to the main topic of conversation, should homework be banned?! Overall, this was an amazing trip with lots of laughter and learning, the perfect combination!





Wil Dwyer

Mr Dwyer



Pre-Prep Harvest Assembly

On Monday 3 October the Pre-Prep had their special Harvest Assembly. Boys from each class placed their contribution on the Harvest Table as they walked into the school hall, which reminded us how truly blessed we are for all that we have. The proceedings started with the beautiful hymn, 'Praise to the Lord' followed by the Y1's sweetly singing 'What You Sow'. Our guest, Reverend White, with the help of a few boys, shared the parable of 'Five Loaves and Two Fishes'. His visual aids and enthusiastic manner captured the boys' attention as they hung on his every word. The Y2 boys then

sang 'Thank Your Lucky Stars' with gusto. The assembly gave us all 'food for thought' and reminded us how incredibly fortunate we are and no matter how little we all give to others, it goes a long way...

Thank you to Miss Secker for teaching all the boys the very apt and lovely songs and a special mention and thanks to Reverend White for giving up his precious time to speak at our Harvest Assembly.

A special thank you to all the boys and parents for donating non-perishable food to the Salvation Army

Croydon, who will distribute the produce to others in need.

Mrs Kelly

YEAR 1 ENJOYING PE



Mr Cobb and the Y1 boys thoroughly enjoyed their Games lesson this week. The objective was to work as a team and to communicate with each other to get from one square to the other using just the hoops.



Here 1C are taking part in their first parachute lesson. The boys were learning the basic rules and cooperation needed for parachute games.

Mr Barnett

MACMILLAN. CANCER SUPPORT





Thank you to all parents and children, who came along to support the CHS PA Macmillan Coffee Morning at the main school and Purley Reception. Thank you also, to all who donated, we have raised £289 for a very worthy cause! We really appreciate the donation of cakes and especially the volunteers who help set up and run the event.

Kerry Norris - P.A. President

BOOK WEEK

We have had another successful Book Fair this term. It was open to all the boys from Nursery up to Year 8 with a wide variety of books on sale. Each child was given a raffle ticket for every book they purchased which went into a draw at the end of the week. We had 8 Lucky winners all coming to the Book Fair to choose a FREE book for themselves.

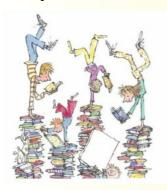
I would like to pass on a special Thank You to all the parents and children who supported this event raising £931.00, which gives us £498.60 to spend on FREE Books for the library.

I would also like to thank PA, Teachers and Caretakers who all help to make this event such a success.



As part of Book Week we also had A Woopsy Whiffling Dahlicious Day. We all had a wondercrump time celebrating 100th birthday of Roald Dahl. There were lots of recognisable characters including Whoopsy - Splunkers Mr Fox, Matilda, Mr Twit, Esio Trot, Charlie and George to name just a few, while others dressed in yellow, his favourite colour. The kiddles had a Phizz-Whizzing time listening to Roald Dahl stories, squibbling, independent reading and other gloriumptious Roald Dahl curriculum based activities. (The Roald Dahl fans amongst you will recognise the Gobblefunk).

Bookmark prizes were handed out to two inspirational costumes in each class in the Pre Prep:



1C - Charlie Marais - Charlie Bucket Yusuf El Guenuni - Mr Twit



- 1S Samson Ogou-Thierry Fantastic Mr Fox Joshua Epsom - Yellow
- 1T Dylan Carter Fantastic Mr Fox with his bag of chickens! Logan Keith - George with all the ingredients for Grandma's medicine!
- **2C** Angelo Okeke Esio Trot Rahul Chakravarty - Fantastic Mr Fox
- **2S** Thomas Bullock BFG with his jar of dreams Rayan Bamsey Oompa Loompa

Well done to everyone for supporting the promotion of reading throughout the school and raising money for 'Roald Dahls Marvellous Children's Charity'.

Ms Nevill - Librarian

Thursday - 13.10.16



CAKE SALE

All donations welcome but please no chocolate and no nuts

Cakes cost 50p each

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	Danes	Rafe Worsfold Haran Fernando	6E 6E	
	Normans	Jake Dennis	6E	
	Romans	Atul Venkatesh	3M	
	Saxons	Daniel Tollit	6E	

EVENTS FOR WEEK BEGINNING 10 OCTOBER 2016

Monday 10 October	Tuesday 11 October	Wednesday 12 October	Thursday 13 October	Friday 14 October
Festival of Singing for Primary and Pre-Prep Schools @ Brighton Dome All Day Staff Meeting 4.15 p.m.	Individual Photos a.m. U10 A & B Triangular v Dulwich Prep and Dulwich College (A) @ Dulwich Prep 1.30 p.m.	French Theatre Group 9.45 - 11.45 a.m. Opro Mouthguard Fitting 12.00 p.m. 1st XI, 2nd & 5th IX v Thomas' Clapham (H)	Cake Sale U9 A - D Triangular v Hawthorns & St. Michaels (A) @ Hawthorns School 2.30 p.m.	U8 KCS Tournament @ kingsway Sports ground 1.30 p.m. Half Term Commences 4.00 p.m.
No After School Activities except After School Club and Instrumental Lessons	U10 C & D v Dulwich Prep (A) 1.30 p.m. U11 A - E v KCS (H) 1.30 p.m. Future Schools' Evening 7.00 p.m.	@ Roehampton Vale 1.30 p.m. 3rd & 4th IX v Thomas' Clapham (A) @ Roehampton Vale 1.30 p.m.	U10 A & B v New Beacon & Downsend (H) 4.00 p.m.	4.00 p.m.