



CUMNOR HOUSE SCHOOL
The true mark of a school is what lies within

A Message from the Headmaster

"Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment, until it becomes a memory ."

Dr. Seuss

I greatly enjoyed our Seussical performances on both Thursday and Friday evening. In true Dr. Seuss fashion they were entertaining, thought provoking and sometimes confusing. It has inspired me to look a little more deeply into the works of Dr Seuss and past the obvious appeal to children and to the hidden messages about life and how to live it. Dr Seuss was a truly clever man and I am sure the children who took part in our drama performance have learnt a lot about life and themselves as a result. Through hard work and perseverance they produced an excellent performance that I am sure you will agree has created some wonderful memories for audience and cast alike.

After the heady heights of performance on Friday it was back to school on Monday, Mr Jones and I spoke to the children in assembly about maintaining high standards for themselves and others at school. Including attendance, preparation for lessons, homework, looking after and storing property and avoiding tardiness. Please support your boys by ensuring they are organised at home and arrive at school in good time ready for their busy days. Please remember our school target for attendance is 96%, a child who is at 90% of attendance will have lost nearly four weeks of lessons by the end of a school year. If children are not consistently in school, they will see a negative impact on their progress and lose confidence in their lessons. Education is a true collaboration of parents and school and working together we can maintain high expectations and excellent levels of attainment and progress.

In the dazzling sunshine of Friday our cricket season officially began with our first fixture, and at the time of writing I believe we have a 100% record with 5 wins out of 5. I have had the pleasure of watching a few "overs" myself and I have been very impressed by the boys preparation, attitude, focus and above all their skill level. Well done boys I hope it continues throughout the summer term.

Have a great week.

Mr Daniel Cummings

Headmaster



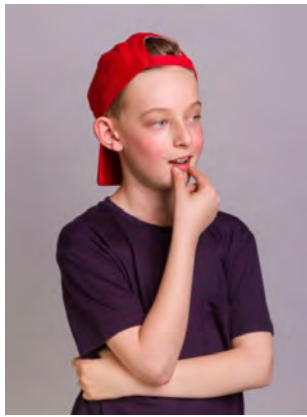
After a very long week of rehearsals the boys were finally ready to perform on stage. Thursday and Friday evening proved to be spectacular! I would like to thank the cast, crew, musicians and all involved in putting together this great show. Special thanks go to Mr Sizer, our super talented Musical Director as well as our Director, Roberta Zuric who rescued us at a very late stage in rehearsals. I cannot imagine how we would have been able to put on such an event without the magical talents of Mr Turner. He not only managed the crew but was responsible for the flashing feathers, and all sorts of other weird and wonderful things. Mr Turner has been slaving away in the DT room for many a late evening!

What makes our performances special has always been the live music and the band were absolutely tremendous. Made up of our very own boys a special mention to Kieran Parker and Katie Osborne for joining them. Jamie Jones, Isa Khan, Omar Nesbeth-George, Alex Sadottie, Joe Zaza and Olisa Aghadiuno played to an excellent standard under Mr Sizer's lead. Miss Secker and Mrs Poole were not only part of the brilliant band but also on hand for rehearsals and supported with all aspects of the production including putting the set together!

As with any show it is important to mention some stand out performances. Some of these boys have had only weeks to memorise their scripts and learn their songs and I take my hat off to them. Especially when we also have important exams around the corner for many of them. It is a true testament to the type of boy we have at Cumnor House where we see them take ownership of their roles and are leading examples.

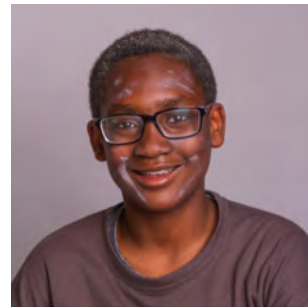


Nathan Gordon's 'The Cat in the Hat' has to be one of the most relaxed of cats I have seen. If he was nervous he certainly didn't show it, and to be in a box for 20 minutes before the curtain went up was no mean feat in the heat we had last week. We have seen Nathan really grown in confidence and he has shown a level of commitment he should be proud of. Taking on the role at the last minute he has thrown himself into this production and has the qualities of a real leader.



Jack Macinnes' work ethic and commitment to his role is second to none and he really shone in this production. I know that Jack has spent many a night looking over his script and researching his character so that he could be his absolute best and he gave a stunning performance as JoJo. It has been a real achievement for Jack, well done!

Who could forget poor Horton played by Ade Afuwape. One of the favourite characters of Dr Seuss fans. I am sure the words, 'A person's a person no matter how small' are still spinning round in Ade's head. As many of you will know Ade is such a quiet and shy boy who has amused us as the sad and somewhat serious elephant. Again, like so many of the other boys Ade has put 200% into this performance and has grown in confidence from beginning to end. He made the character his own and topped it off with a beautiful voice.



A special mention to two boys Moses Ihasuyi and A'yaan Abdul-Mughis who were brave enough to play female leads Mayze Labird and Gertrude McFuzz. They delighted us with their 'Abba' style birds with attitude. Mayze was bold and brash and Gertrude sweet and shy! Both were played brilliantly and got lots of laughs from the audience. With Mr Turner's creative genius they were the talk of the show. It was quite tricky for them to get through various doorways backstage and Moses can be forgiven for snapping off a feather or two!



Last but not least I must not forget Mr and Mrs Mayor, what a wonderful couple. Mrs Mayor with her deep singing voice and Mr Mayor with his high pitched sound, quite complimentary. An excellent performance by Bhavin Gnanasampanthan and Jordan Tun. Well done, these two boys were present for every rehearsal and showed full commitment to their roles. The importance of perfection is something that the two share. Mrs M wanted to make sure her wig and lipstick was perfect for each performance and Mr M insisted I redo his moustache as it was not quite symmetrical!

A huge well done to many more including The Grinch played by Oliver Springett, General Genghis Khan played by Lucas Easton and the Sour Kangaroos played by Reyhan Borde-Kuofie and Ovie Whiskey!





The Royal Russel Schools triathlon was super fun! In a Triathlon you must Swim, cycle and run, although it is a tough event my team Fantastic four loved the challenge and the experience. My favorite event was the cycling because I love riding my bike at a fast pace, although I was not so fast climbing the big hill. Overall, it was an amazing day and we even managed to raise some money for an excellent cause. Harry Fisher.



Results

Year 5 and 6

Fantastic Four - 39:22 (25 out of 65)

Team Spitfire - 41:32 (41 out of 64)

Year 3 and 4

Team Supersonic Triathletes - 48:11 (72 out of 77)

Team Trihards 2018 - 37:50 (27 out of 77)

A special mention to the Team Trihards 2018 who raised an amazing £1000!



U13A Team win Surrey Cup Round 1 match v Cranmore by 87 runs! _____

The Cumnor team posted an explosive 196-4 off their 20 overs; captain Rayyan Ahmed (36), Veer Patel (109 off 46 balls) & Reggie Rose (38*). This afforded the whole team to have a bowl and the side manage to keep Cranmore down to 109-5 after 20 overs. The pick of the bowlers were Aryan Kohli, Arjun Nakeeran & Shiv Prashad who all managed to find their lengths and bowl a tight line outside off stump. Well done boys! Mr Brotherton

★ Stars of the Week ★

Awarded: Friday 20 April 2018

RC - Arjun

For always doing his best to be his best self and particularly challenging himself to write independently at school and at home.

RN - Shivam

For trying hard on the carpet and with his learning and for being really helpful.

1S - Tobias

For being a helpful member of the class.

1T - Liam

For being mature and sensible.

&

Ryan

For always being enthusiastic and trying his best.

1W - Marcell

For working hard on his reading.

2C - Adam

For having a good attitude towards his work .

2G - Maithri

For consistently following the Cumnor Way and setting a good example

2S - Ayaan

For making effort with his organisation

Upcoming Events



CUMNOR HOUSE SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO..

SOLVE SCREEN DEPENDENCY

A FREE TALK ABOUT MANAGING SCREEN TIME & SCREEN DEPENDENCY
HOSTED BY DR ARIC SIGMAN

When?
16th May 2018 - 18:00 - 20:00

Where?
Cumnor House Girls School
1 Woodcote Lane, Purley, Surrey, CR8 3HB

Tickets: cumnorhouseschool.eventbrite.com



Tickets available now via our Eventbrite page [here](http://cumnorhouseschool.eventbrite.com)



CUMNOR HOUSE SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO..

SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF SLEEPING

A FREE TALK ON HOW TO BEST SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF A CHILD WHO IS STRUGGLING WITH SLEEPLESS NIGHTS
HOSTED BY ANDREA GRACE

When?
25th June 2018 - 18:00-20:00

Where?
Cumnor House Girls School
1 Woodcote Lane, Purley, Surrey, CR8 3HB

Tickets: cumnorhouseschool.eventbrite.com



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Come and enjoy Pokemon The Movie: I choose You! at our latest CHS PA film night! Wear your favourite pj's, bring a cushion or bean bag from home and get cosy watching Pikachu and friends! This event is open to Cumnor House boys in Years 1-3 and will be taking place in the Boys' School Main Hall. Doors open at 4:15pm with the movie starting promptly at 4:30pm.

Tickets are £8 and includes pizza, drinks and popcorn and can be purchased from the link below!

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