



Girls' Newsletter - 14th January 2022

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 14th January 2022

Cumnor House School

A Message from Mrs McShane



Another Friday already! The girls are well settled into their routines now and clubs are well underway. I appreciate that signing up for clubs can be a bit like a quiz show and “fastest finger first”, but with a bit of juggling of staff and resources I think we have managed to get everyone into something that they will enjoy. We have a new yoga teacher, Naleenee, who will be running her club on Thursdays, Naleenee came very highly recommended by current parents whose girls attend her classes outside of school. We wish Mrs Tank all the very best in her new full-time role. I know that there is a great deal of interest in us hosting a Gymnastic Club, I am still trying to find a provider and feel confident that I will find one at some point!

A shout out to our wonderful Year 6 girls, through what has been the hardest of times, they have been working hard to prepare for their senior school exams, interviews and scholarship days. They are showing such fortitude, resilience and determination and we are immensely proud of them. Today I received an email from a senior Headteacher, I thought I would share with you an excerpt:

“I just wanted to write to say what an absolute pleasure it has been interviewing the Cumnor students this year. They have been so confident, down to earth and positive!”

This half term we will be focusing on the Cumnor Value – “Endeavour”, I believe that our Year Six girls are typifying it at the moment and being great role models and inspiration to the younger girls.

I am disappointed that we still have parents depositing girls, unattended, at the door of Piccadilly before 8.00am. Only breakfast club girls should be in school prior to 8.00am. We do not have playground supervision for pupils until 8.00am - which is when the teachers' days begin. The safety of the girls is paramount, please remain with your daughter until the doors open.

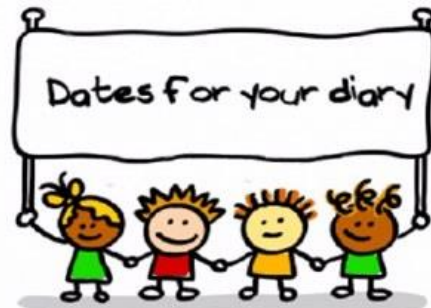
We have a brand-new school winter coat in the office, it is named but the girls and parents of that name say that it isn't theirs. If you are missing a winter coat, size 28/30 please pop into the office so that we can reunite it with its owner. We also have 3 unclaimed cardigans, 1 size 28 and 2 size 30. If you have not yet ordered a school winter coat, please do so. I will be having a meeting with Perry's shortly to discuss delivery, availability and any other issues arising, thank you to parents for keeping me apprised of any issues that you have been having.

The new yellow "One Tin Bin" has its first donations nestling at the bottom (thank you) and I do hope that families will be able to contribute to this so that Purley Food Hub will have a continuous benefit from their liaison with us.

Wishing you a restful weekend

"Don't expect others to hand success to you. Create it - with heart, energy and enterprise - and you'll make it come true" Rasheed Ogunlaru

Important Dates for your Diary



Monday 17th January	U8-U11 Swimming gala at Downsend
Wednesday 19th January	Reception outing to Discover Children's Story Centre
Saturday 22nd January	Year 3-6 Cross Country League @Woodcote High School
Wednesday 26th January	Year 6 Hockey v Banstead Prep (a) 2.30pm
Tuesday 1st February	Year 5 trip tbc
Wednesday 2nd February	Year 5 Hockey v Seaton House (h) 2.30pm U11 hockey (a) Aberdour
Friday 4th February	ISA U11 Netball Tournament
Monday 7th February	Swimming gala U8-U11 @ Banstead Prep
Tuesday 8th February	4.30pm - 6.30pm Parents' Evening online (details to follow) Year 3 Hockey (a) v Aberdour 3pm
Wednesday 9th February	Year 6 Hockey Tournament @Banstead Prep 1pm 5pm - 7pm Parents' Evening online (details to follow)
Thursday 10th February	Reception Fairy Tale Ball tbc Year 4 Hockey v Aberdour (h) 3pm
Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February	Half-Term

Reminders.....

A note from the tech group:

As it is the start of a new term, I would like to remind parents and our girls few things to consider for the term ahead.

- Instead of carrying the weight home, the girls can leave their laptops in school safely in the charging station. It can charge overnight for the girls to use the following day.
- Please label the charger with a name sticker. It helps us to rehouse the lost charger back to their owner without any problem.
- Girls need to bring in their own headphones. Please label them with a name sticker. The headphones in school are for emergency use.
- Any issues with laptops should be reported to ITService desk. Here is the email link: servicedesk@circleit.co.uk
- Girls should always bring in their charged laptop during their computing lesson each week. I have many girls turning up for the lesson without a charged laptop.
- During our lessons, often we Google words and terms relevant to the topic. Cognita has put robust filtering system and Firewall protection in place to block any inappropriate content.
- We always encourage our girls to use their devices safely and take good care in using it.

Mrs Hood and Digital Group

This week at the Girls' School.....

This week the girls in Year 5 did some maths learning outside using the playground and chalk. They learnt about the 4 quadrants and how to plot and read coordinates.



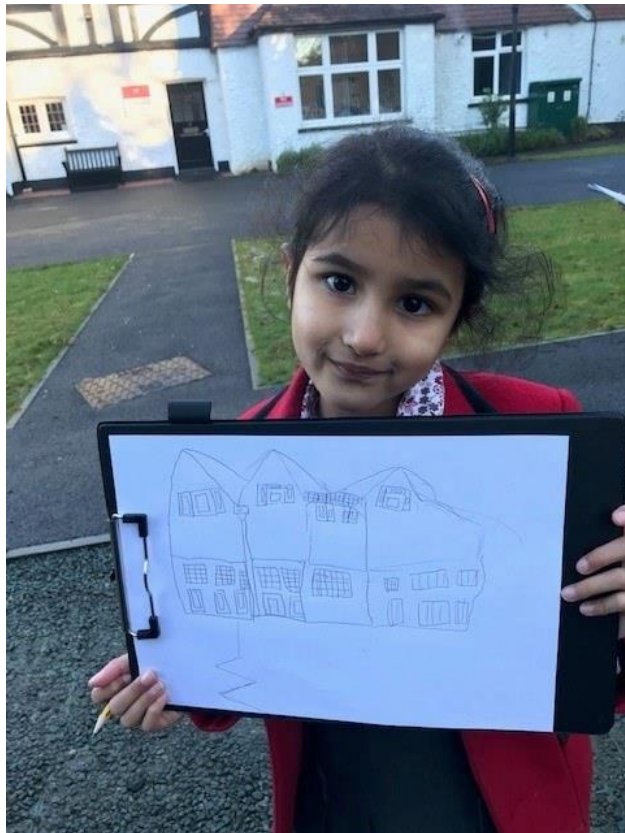
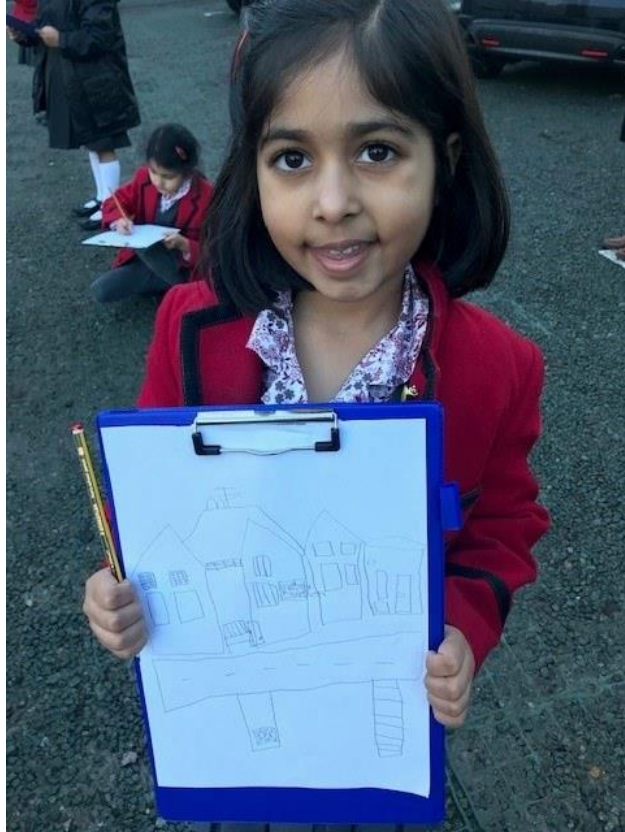


Our School in Perspective

This week Year One were introduced to perspective in drawing. They looked at how objects appear smaller the further away they are and how they can show this in drawing. They then spent some time outside looking at the different shapes and dimensions of the school building. The girls finished by sketching the school in pencil.









Other News.....

Thank you to the Haley family for the first donation in our new Yellow Bin!



Wishing you a happy, warm and restful weekend.

Amanda McShane

Headmistress of Cumnor Girls