



# Cumnor House Boys' School and Nursery

Friday 10th June 2022

## Key Dates - Early Years and Boys' School

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*A reminder that all dates can be viewed on the Cognita Connect calendar.*

### **Early Years:**

*Monday 13th June - Cumnor House Team Building Day (further details below).*

*Thursday 16th June - PTA Fathers' Day Gift Shop*

*Friday 17th June- Reception Boys' Sports Day Practice. All boys to be dropped off at the Sports Field, Pampisford Road from 8.00am-8.30am (no on site parking or spectators).*

*Tuesday 21st June- Reception Boys' Swimming Gala. All boys to be dropped off at Boys' Main School, Pampisford Road at 8.15am.*

*Friday 24th June- Reception Boys' Sports Day- All boys to be dropped off at the Sports Field, Pampisford Road from 8.00am-8.30am (no on site parking).*

**Boys' School:**

*Monday 13th June - Cumnor House Team Building Day (further details below).*

*Tuesday 14th June - Future Schools Event (registration for this event has now closed).*

*Thursday 16th June:*

*- PTA Fathers' Day Gift Shop.*

*- Year 1 Gala Practice (no spectators).*

*Friday 17th June:*

*- Year 2 Gala Practice (no spectators).*

*- Reception, Year 1 & 2 Sports Day Practice (no spectators).*

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## This week in the Boys' School.....



Dear Parents

Firstly I would like to say a **huge congratulations** to the boys who participated in the **triangular gala against JAGS and Finton House** on Wednesday, **winning** the gala. We are **extremely proud** of the achievements of our amazing swimmers.

Our **Year 6** boys enjoyed their residential as reported by **Miss Secker** below.

*The week before half term the Year 6 boys and girls went on their residential trip to Cuffley. They took part in a wide range of activities from Buggy Building to climbing and Tomahawks to Leap of Faith. It was brilliant to see them working in teams, showing kindness and compassion and supporting and encouraging each other in the activities. Everyone showed perseverance and the willingness to push themselves just a little bit further with this support.*

*I asked some of the boys for some words to describe their week: **'Action Packed', 'Adventurous', 'Enjoyable', 'Memories', 'Freedom'**.*

*I also asked the other staff to share their "best bits". Mr Brotherton enjoyed the campfire we often had under our staff yurt (usually made and kept going by Ishaan B!). Mrs Jackson said "My favourite memory was sitting in the dappled shade of the forest watching the boys and girls work together to build shelters. The laughter that echoed through the trees was delightful."*

*I enjoyed watching unexpected friendships develop and seeing all the children try things which were new to them. Their sense of achievement was huge – and always resulted in high fives!*

*Above all they should be proud of themselves, for overcoming obstacles, challenging themselves and experiencing so many new things. I hope these wonderful memories will stay with them for a long time to come.*

**Miss Secker**











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Please do keep an eye on the **Cognita Connect Calendar** and the **key dates** in the newsletter as it will be a very busy end of term and end of year.

I would like to take this opportunity to **thank** all the **staff** who have attended our residential trips with the boys this year. They have given up their evenings/nights and time away from families to make sure that the boys can take part in some amazing activities and more importantly learn to be more independent.

We are looking forward to the imminent arrival of **Year 8** - with dirty washing in hand and **Year 3** have already made their way to the field for their overnight stay.





## Team Building Day

We are delighted to inform you that Cumnor Girls and Cumnor Boys will be coming together for an exciting team building day. This will take place for all pupils in Reception-Year 6 on **Monday 13th June**. As some of the challenges are physical challenges, please can all pupils **wear their PE kit on this day** to allow them to become fully involved. The event will take place on the school playing fields at the Boys' site and will be run by an external teambuilding company; Wise Up.

Pupils will work together in year groups to solve a series of challenges and tasks as part of 'Mission Possible'. The Girls and Reception Boys will be transported to the field via minibus and the Boys will walk to the field from school. As this will take place during normal school hours (during the morning for Lower School and the afternoon for Upper School), parents are not required to do anything.

I am also delighted to report that our '**Joseph**' in this year's Senior Production secured the part of **Spencer** in a new **BBC sitcom**. **Kieran** is a talented actor and all the staff at Cumnor are all extremely excited to see the first episode this evening. **Kieran** kindly gave an **interview** earlier today, and I don't doubt that we will be seeing much more of him on stage and screen.

**Kieran's debut appearance in the BBC sitcom 'Avoidance', alongside Romesh Ranganathan, is airing on BBC1 at 9:30pm this evening.**

*Q: How did your part in Avoidance come about?*

*A: My dream is to act and sing. I joined Stagecoach and went for 3 hours every Saturday. The Head of Stagecoach put me forward to an acting agency and I attended 5 auditions and won the part of Spencer in Avoidance.*

*Q: Who will you be watching with this evening?*

*A: I will be watching with my family including my cousin.*

*Q: Tell us what the sitcom is about?*

*A: Its about a man called Jonathan who gets divorced. This is because he would avoid conflict but he has to change for his son, Spencer. Romesh was very nice, he was funny and very dry!*

*Q: Where did you film?*

*A: Some was filmed within a school and some in Pinewood Studios although I didn't get to see the James Bond stage unfortunately! It was really interesting to experience how a programme is put together and how they are filmed, there was a crew of 90.*

*Q: What's next for you?*

*A: I have been for some more auditions and waiting to hear back, but I am going to take a break.*

*Q: How long for:*

*A: Maybe 2 years!*



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You may remember that the boys were challenged to grow their bean plants for **British Science week**. I am pleased to report that **Ammar's (Y3)** plant is doing very well indeed. Keep up the good work, **Ammar!** If your plant is still doing well please do let your form tutor know and we will see if we can find the tallest!

***'from little seeds grow mighty trees'***

I do wish you all a wonderful weekend.

Kind Regards

Miss Edwards

Head of School

## Sports News



### 'Swimming Team Remains Unbeaten'

Well done to all the boys who competed in the **triangular gala** against JAGS and Finton House on Wednesday. This was a very high standard gala against the school that finished runners up to us in the London League Final, and a very strong Finton House team.

Our boys all swam exceptionally well and we won the gala despite us having several of our key swimmers unable to compete. This showed great strength in depth within our squad, especially in the relay events.

A special mention to the **three Year 2 boys** who competed in the **Year 3 races**. That year group are going to be a force to be reckoned with next year when they get to compete against their own age group.

Results:

**Cumnor House - 626 points**

**JAGS - 536 points**

**Finton House - 422 points**

Good luck to all the boys who are competing at the **National IAPS Finals** this weekend, and to the boys competing in the **Grand Final of the London League** next Wednesday.

A big week of swimming ahead!

Mr Fitzgerald

## Notices

### Notice for Graduates

Dear Parents

If you have not yet completed and returned your deposit refund form, please complete the form by clicking [here](#) and return to [admissions@cumnorhouse.com](mailto:admissions@cumnorhouse.com) asap. Provided all fees are paid, there are no outstanding charges on Cognita Connect and we have received your deposit refund form, any deposits we hold for leavers will be paid into your account week ending 22nd July.

### Notice for SCN Nursery children moving into Reception

Dear Parents

As we look forward to welcoming your child to the Main School, we wanted to remind you that, on transition to the Main School, fees will be billed on a termly basis and, in line with the Parent Contract, fees will be payable on or before the first day of term. If you wish to pay monthly, you will need to make payment via School Fee Plan, as this is the only monthly option available to parents. For more information on the School Fee Plan, please follow the link below.

<https://www.myschoolfeeplan.com/Application/LandingPage?stageID=1>

### After School Care - Collection after 6pm

After School Club at every site closes at 6pm. Therefore, a charge of £20 per 15 minutes after 6pm will be incurred by any parents who have not collected their child/children by 6pm. This includes late pick up from South Croydon Nursery.

### Late/No booking charges

The charge for late/no booking for After School Care will increase to £7.50 per hour from Autumn Term 2022.

### Bulk purchase for wraparound care

From Autumn Term 2022, all wraparound care offers (purchasing wraparound care for the full term) will carry a 10% discount. Previously this discount has only been available for 4 or 5 days a week.

### CCV Payments

CCV payments can take up to 10 working days to process, so please ensure payments are made in advance to guarantee the money is in your purse in time to book wraparound care. From Autumn Term

2022, if there is not sufficient money in your purse to purchase wraparound care, you will need to make payment by an alternative means or pay the no booking fee of £7.50.

**This week in Reception and Nursery.....**



Dear Parents



On Wednesday 1st June and Monday 6th June the Nursery and Boys' Reception children enjoyed some **Platinum Jubilee celebrations!** Thank you for sending the children dressed in **red, white and blue**- they looked fantastic!

Feedback from children, staff and parents has been very positive about the **After School Care** at South Croydon now being based in the Pre-School classroom. The children have enjoyed having the larger outside space to enjoy in the evenings. Please can I ask if you are waiting to collect your child, you queue along the right hand side of the fence leading around towards the field so that there are not parents waiting in the road. Please can I also remind all parents to park their cars along the far fence in the designated parking area and not to stop in the area between Pre-School and Kindergarten. If you need to call the South Croydon Nursery after 4pm to speak to a member of staff, please make note of the Pre-School phone number: 0208 660 4480.





This week in Purley Pre-School all of the activities have focused on the **Queen's Jubilee** and towards the end of last half term the children even wrote **a card to congratulate her**. On Monday everyone dressed in their **red, white and blue** and had a **fantastic Jubilee lunch!** The children also loved taking pictures with the display in the entrance of the school, pretending to be the soldier. During their 'Topic' circle time they spoke about why they are grateful to **Her Majesty**. Some of the children's answers were: "She makes London beautiful!", "I like her museums!", "She's kind to other people!". The children were also very excited about having a **Jubilee Scavenger** at Forest School!



This week at our South Croydon Pre-School, the children have been very excited to see our **caterpillars** emerging from their chrysalis'. They have been talking about metamorphosis, the colours of our butterflies and what fruit we think they like to eat the most. The children were excited to see the **butterflies** released once they were strong enough to fly.



Within Kindergarten we had a fabulous time for our **Jubilee party and celebration**. We used the week to have some fun with craft, making **flags and crowns for our celebration party** at the end of the week

which was full of amazing food and fun times for all the children. We played games by matching the pictures and used pasta to pour and fill some cups and pots as a pretend tea party. While we were away over the long weekend, we came back to a couple of our butterflies fluttering around. We are hoping the rest emerge over the weekend.









The Purley Kindergarten class **butterflies hatched** during half term **Mrs Hollands** uploaded several photos and videos to tapestry so please take a look, we have also been watching the videos in class and the children have loved talking about the colours of the butterflies and Mrs Hollands flowers. On Monday the children celebrated the **Queens Jubilee** with the children wearing red, white and blue and joined Pre-School and Reception in the hall for a **lovely picnic**. The children also loved playing with the castle and having their pictures taken as soldiers in front of Buckingham Palace. This week Kindergarten have been looking at shapes. They have 4 post boxes with particular shapes on the front and the children have had to match the correct shaped letter to the right post box. With several of the children pointing out "**the Queen**" on our stamps







The Reception boys have started their new topic for the half term '**Engineers**'. They have enjoyed exploring the new role play area and have been busy building and designing different structures. In **Literacy** the boys have been reading, acting out and writing about the traditional tale '**The Three Billy Goats Gruff.**' During topic time the boys had to think about how they would design a bridge to cross some water using materials in the classroom. The boys independently sourced their materials and tested their bridge. The boys showed great resilience as many had to go back and change their designs, sometimes up the three times before their bridge successfully carried the goats across to the other side safely.



Congratulations to the children who have received the following awards this week:

**Gold Award:**

South Croydon Pre-School: **Reisha** Purley Pre-School: **Reya** RS: **William** RUS: **William D**

**Star of the week:**

South Croydon Pre-School: **Domonic** Purley Pre-School: **Nathaniel** RS: **Arjun** RUS: **Kezron**

Kind regards,

Mrs Shelley

Head of EYFS

## PTA Events



The poster features a central graphic of a black bow tie on a black ribbon, set against a white background with a dark, bokeh-style border. At the top is the CHS logo with the tagline 'At your best self'. The text is centered and reads: 'CUMNOR HOUSE BOYS' AND NURSERY PTA PRESENTS', 'SUMMER BALL', 'A BLACK TIE EVENT', 'Woldingham Golf Club', 'SATURDAY 25TH JUNE', 'FROM 18:45 PM - 00:30 AM', 'DINNER 19:15 PM', '£50 PER PERSON PLUS BOOKING FEE'. Below this, it lists 'Arrival drink, 5 course meal, after dinner coffee and mints' and 'Entertainment to include DJ, casino, silent auction and 360 camera'. A QR code is positioned above the URL 'HTTPS://WWW.TICKETSOURCE.CO.UK/CHSPTA/T-NOKUEVN'.

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CUMNOR HOUSE BOYS' AND NURSERY  
PTA PRESENTS



SUNDAY 3RD JULY

1 - 4 PM

BOYS' SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD

ENTRANCE £3\* PLUS BOOKING FEE

UNDER 3'S ARE FREE

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\*INCLUDES BURGER OR HOT DOG



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**CUMNOR HOUSE BOYS' AND NURSERY  
PTA**

**Summer  
FAYRE  
2022**

**SUNDAY 3RD JULY**

Do you know anyone with their own business who would like to donate a raffle prize?

The Cumnor House Boys' and Nursery PTA are hosting a Summer Fayre with a raffle to help raise funds for the Student Council's wish list, which will benefit all our children.

We are looking for donations of any raffle prizes for example, gift vouchers, new items, day experiences, small gifts.

For more information, please contact your class rep, [cumnorhousepta@yahoo.com](mailto:cumnorhousepta@yahoo.com), or alternatively PTA Chair Natalie Grant at 07956120256.

Thank you in advance.

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