

Cumnor House Boys' School and Nursery

Friday 24th June 2022

Key Dates - Early Years and Boys' School

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

Early Years:

Tuesday 28th June - Mufti Day

Wednesday 29th June - Nursery Summer Concerts:

• South Croydon Kindergarten Summer Concert, 9:30am

- South Croydon Pre-School Summer Concert, 10:30am
 - Purley Pre-School Summer Concert, 1:30pm
 - Purley Kindergarten Summer Concert, 2:30pm
- Thursday 30th June September Reception Meet the teacher/Teddy Bear's Picnic.



Boys' School:

Monday 27th June: Year 3 to 8 Sports Day, 9am to 4pm

Tuesday 28th June:

- MuftiDay
- Year 8 Mentoring Programme (supporting Y1 & 2)
 - Year 3 Swimming Gala, 11:15am
 - Year 5 Swimming Gala, 2:15pm

Wednesday 29th June:

- Year 2 Trip to Port Lympne Animal Park
 - Year 8 Dragons' Den
- Year 7 and 8 Swimming Gala, 2:30pm

Thursday 30th June:

• Year 3 Trip to Go Ape

Year 6 and 8 BBQ, 6:00pm
 Year 6 Swimming Gala, 11:00am
 Year 4 Swimming Gala, 2:15pm

 AB Exams
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 Friday 1st July
 AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS/ACTIVITIES END

 Year 1 Trip to Kidzania
 Year 7 and 8 Careers Morning

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



Dear Parents

As the end of the academic year draws closer the boys are enjoying many end of year activities. We had a very enjoyable **Reception** and **Year 1 and 2 Sports Day today**. The weather held out and I was very impressed with the throwing, jumping running and my favourite the obstacle race. We are also looking forward to our **Year 3 to 8 Sports Day** on **Monday**. I am sure we will have lots of pictures to share from all the sports days in next week's newsletter. Please also look out for the slow motion videos of the parent races.

I am extremely excited to announce yet another amazing set of results from our LAMDA examinations. The full results will be published soon but I must congratulate the boys on 40 distinctions, 32 merits and 1 pass. Well done, boys! I am also pleased to report that one of our boys scored 100% in his examination which is unheard of so huge congratulations to Isaac, 3B.



This week you will have received details of **Speech Day on 6th July**. We are busy planning the logistics for what will be a lovely afternoon. It is an expectation that all boys are collected from the Minster between 3:45pm to 4:00pm however a **form was sent to parents of boys who use the home run bus service** asking to confirm your arrangements and if you require the service but unfortunately we had a very few parents respond respond. If **you require your son to take the home bus on this date please email pupiltransport@cumnorhouse.com no later than 5pm on Monday.** Due to planning reasons we will be unable to offer the shuttle bus on this particular afternoon. The shuttlebus and home run bus will be running as usual in the morning.

We had a fantastic **Public Speaking Semi Final and Final** on Monday and the competition was extremely tough. **Miss LLoyd** was joined on the judging panel by **Jocelyn Prah**, **West End Actor and LAMDA teacher**. After a tough final the judges chose the winners for the following categories:

Infant - **Dhiyaan G** Junior - **Gabriel J** Middle - **Arshia S** Senior - **Johnnie O** Overall winners were: Lower School - **Dhiyaan G** Upper School - **Johnnie O**

Well done to all the boys who participated.



You will also see that **3B** have been busy with their fruit art from **Food Tech** on Monday. We have a fish, a lion, a sun and various faces! They all look very appetising.











Transport Home Service for 2022/23 Academic Year

The Transport Home service is now available for enquiries for the 2022/23 academic year. We will always endeavour to meet the requests of parents however please be aware that applications may not be accepted due to capacity or geographical restrictions.

Please kindly <u>click here</u> to complete the application. The link will close on 31st July.

Caelan, 6T has been working extremely hard on his **DT project** and produced an excellent sword which also lights up when you turn it. I am told it is the **blade of Gondolin, Sting**. I have read **The Hobbit** but it was many years ago now. It is so detailed and wellmade, well done!



Below you will see we have lots of **Music News and Sports News.** Once again our swimmers and cricketers have been doing extremely well this week and I had the pleasure of attending some lovely informal concerts as the boys prepare for their exams. You can read more about them below.

Finally the boys will be meeting their new form tutors on **Wednesday 6th July**. The form tutors this year will be:

Pre-School (South Croydon) - Mrs Gannon and Mrs Upfold

Pre-School (Purley) - Miss Rhodes

- RL Miss Weston
- RS Mrs Shelley
- RW Mrs Williams
- 1C Miss Carroll

- 1S Mrs Sullivan
- 2B Mr Bolton
- 2C Mrs Curtis
- 2R Miss Redman
- 3C Mrs Carlisle
- 3M Mrs Morony and Mrs Turner
- 30 Miss O'Reilly
- 4F Mrs Figueira
- 4G Mrs Greenash
- 4W Mr Walpot
- 5B Mr Beesley
- 5I Mrs Irvine
- 6B Mr Blackford
- 6T Mr Beattie
- 7BL Mrs Bennett and Miss Lloyd
- 8B Mr Barnett
- 8J Mrs Jackson
- Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards

Miss Edwards

Head of School

Sports News



2022 U9 Downsend Hard Ball 6 A-Side Cricket Tournament Winners



The U9A cricket team make it a clean sweep; four wins from four games to retain the trophy!

All of Year 4 have worked incredibly hard on their skills this year and a select group of boys had the opportunity to put these to practice last Friday. I am glad to say, that the team grew with each ball, over, innings and match, showing that hard work and perseverance prevails over individual effort. Well done to all boys in Year 4, in particular the team that represented their school last Friday.

Year 4 teams on top of the world for cricket:

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a 🖬 🔰	Reigate St Mary's					294	269	24	100.00%
1 🗰 🔮	Westbourne House School				0	1,50	993	20	100.00%
s = 🎚	Bableke & King Henry VIII School					1,450	1,199	20	100.00%
• = [💹 St. Juhn's College					524	294	20	100.00%
7 🗰 🤇	Claires Court School					1,167	958	16	100.00%
• =	Onitory Prep School					1,179	989	20	83.33%
9 	Farleigh School					484	409	20	13.33%
10 == 🎁	Exeter School		4	0		1.469	1,228	16	80.00%

Season: 2021/22 - Team Level: Boys-U98 -										
		Team	р	w	D	L	RF	RA	UP.	Win Ratio
1 =	- 🌄	Cumnor House School for Boys	7	7	0	0	1,705	1,490	28	100.00%
2 =	• 💔	Rokeby School, Surrey				a	1,432	1,243	20	100.00%
i =	=	Bickley Park School					1,361	1,184	20	100.00%
4 3		St Charles College					192	130	20	100.00%
5 =	s	Wetherby Preparatory School					178	134	20	83.33%
6 =	*	Twyford School		4			1,347	1,206	16	80.00%
7 =	Ň	Reigate St Mery's					305	315	16	80.00%
а 🔳	- C	Claires Court School					922	785	12	75.00%
0 =	-	Shrewsbury House School					689	589		75.00%
10		Cheam School					578	511	12	75.00%



Mr Brotherton, Director of Sport

U11 6's Tonbridge Cricket Tournament

The U11 6's team competed at the Tonbridge tournament on Wednesday 15th June. The tournament included 30 local Prep schools playing in 6 groups of 5 teams. Cumnor got off to a great start posting 49 runs from 30 balls with Ishaan B and Kavish Patel carrying their bat throughout the innings. The total was too much for St Christophers who fell 15 runs short with some excellent bowling from Teddy and Kavish. The second group match against the Mead was another strong performance from Cumnor. Kavish and Ishaan again bludgeoned to ball around the ground to post a strong total for the opposition to chased. The Mead found it difficult to chase 60 runs, particularly due to some excellent keeping and fielding by the team. In this match, Alfred Beesly was the pick of the bowlers taking two wickets.



The third group match would inevitably prove to be the vital encounter of the group stage, as both Cranmore and Cumnor were the unbeaten sides in the group. Losing the toss, and put into field, we made a promising start with the ball, however a few miss-fields and indecisive throws meant the opposition were able to squeeze an additional 10 runs out of our fielding efforts. With the bat, we lost opener, Ishaan Bhat in the second over. Although the batsmen that came in tried to support Kavish in keeping with the run rate, the challenged proved too difficult as we were bowled out 15 runs short.

This meant our final group match was an opportunity to mix the bowling and batting orders, as Cranmore were positioned to go through to the Semi-Final stage of the tournament.

Teddy and Kavish both made a promising start with the bat, before Alfred came in to step up the run rate. It was fantastic to see the guile and cunning running between wickets between the pair which continued when other batsmen arrived at the crease. The highlight for me was on the last ball Ishaan and Alfred managed to sneak 5 runs for a shot that should have only been a single. We posted 58 runs and were clinical in the field. St Edmunds were bowled out in the final over 30 runs short of their target.

Player of the tournament: Kavish

Mr Jones

Deputy Head/Head of Upper School



It has been another big week of swimming with the finals of both the English Schools relays, the London Schools Finals, and the pre-prep swimming galas.

English Schools Relay Finals

Well done to Sean, Archie, Joshua, Aiden and Kayin who travelled to Sheffield last Saturday to compete for the school in this very prestigious National Final.

The standard of competition was extremely high, and with many of the teams competing being either mixed schools, or girls' schools this really raised the level of competition. The boys all swam really well, and we finished in 5th position overall, and were the second fastest boys relay team in the country. Another great achievement.

London Schools Finals

Well done to all the boys who competed in this event against the top swimmers in London. Every one of our boys who participated for us in the preliminary round made it through to these finals.

Nearly all of the boys swam personal best times, and we had numerous medallists and finalists. As a result we finished as runners up in the top boys' school competition.

A special mention to Sean G who has been a great stalwart for our swimming for a number of years. He put in a very dominant performance in the backstroke event, as was very deservedly crowned London Schools' Champion. You can see Sean with his medal below.

Good luck to all the members of our swimming team who are moving on to new schools next year. You have done an amazing job for us this year and make sure that you keep up the hard work at your new schools.

Swimming Galas

Well done to all the boys who competed in the swimming galas this week. I was so impressed with the standard of swimming, and all boys should be so proud of the way that they swam. Not just those boys winning finals and medals, but every single boy who competed. It was so nice to see every boy in Year 2 being able to swim a length. I am very much looking forward to seeing these boys competing for Cumnor in the big national competitions in the years to come!



Music News



Concerts Galore!

This week we have had four amazing concerts.

We started on Tuesday, which just happened to be 'Make Music Day', with our Year 3 scheme concert, giving the boys a chance to show their parents just what they had been able to achieve in just two terms. I have to say that the results were amazing! We had a wide range of pieces played including We Will Rock You, which involved audience participation (I have to say that the parents were very good a keeping the pulse and not getting faster!) and ending with a massed performance of Rock Around the Clock, which had only been put together just before the concert. We even had a performance by the teaching staff which was enjoyed by everyone.

We have already had several boys bring back forms to continue with individual lessons in Year 4, and I know that others are going to be bringing forms back in the next few days. Spare forms are always available from the music office or on the school website.

Straight after school we had Mrs Young's Piano Concert with her piano students from both the boys' and girls' schools performing to each other and their parents. We had pupils from Year 1 to Year 7 and from those who had only been learning for one term to those working towards Grade 6. It was lovely to hear a wide range of pieces and see such confidence in their performances.

Later the same evening we have the first of two Informal Concerts – a chance for those taking AB exams next week to perform a piece to their peers and parents. We were entertained with a variety of instruments and styles from boys in years 3, 4 and 5, and Mihika who joined us from the girl's school, many in their first concert and some of whom are taking their first exams.

The second Informal Concert last night saw our Y4 cellists and musicians from Year 6, 7 and 8 take the stage. Again, we were treated to a range of instruments and styles of music, including two of our rarer instruments, the double bass and the bassoon.

Well done to everyone who has performed this week.

Summer Concert

Just a reminder that our first live Summer Concert since 2019 is taking place on Monday 4th July at 7pm at St Mildred's Church, Bingham Road, Addiscombe.

The event will be ticketed due to limited seating and details of how to book tickets will be sent out on Monday via Cognita Connect. Everyone is welcome to join us.

All boys involved will be rehearsing at the church during the day and most will be transported between school and the church (and back) by school minibus. If they are there over lunchtime, then a packed lunch will be provided by the school.

Some boys will need to be at the church after the last minibus has returned and these parents will be contacted directly by Miss Secker.

Little Voices choir will not be going down during the day, but instead will be asked to rehearse in the church just before the concert. Again, a separate letter will be sent out by Miss Secker detailing timings.

Final in-school rehearsals will be taking place next week and boys are reminded to look at the rehearsal lists. All the instrumental groups, including a full orchestra, are rehearsing next Tuesday, so please could all boys make sure they have their instruments in school that day.

The concert is a celebration of all the music making that goes on in school, so even if your son is not performing, please do join us.

Miss Secker

Head of Music







This week in Reception and Nursery.....



Dear Parents

I have to start by **praising the Reception boys for their fantastic achievements** in their Swimming Gala and Sports Day this week. The boys have made **outstanding progress** across the year and their **sportsmanship** in supporting and cheering each other on was a pleasure to watch. Thank you to all the parents who came to watch the events, your support was appreciated by all the boys.

The Kindergarten theme this term is 'travel'. This week the South Croydon Kindergarten children have spoken about how we travel to school, where we travel too sometimes and some of the different transport we use. They have used cars with pens attached for mark making this week, this created some **good observations** of what shapes they made like 'round' 'squiggly'. Outside they have been taking advantage of the lovely weather and had water play with cars and ducks to see how they travel along the tubes and be more independent by putting their aprons on themselves. Kindergarten have also created a **big red bus t**o go on their display board, and used lots of different materials to create it. The children were very pleased with their creation and whilst they worked, they have been singing the big red bus song to go along side.









This week, the South Croydon Pre-School children have been **focusing on 'visits' as part of their topic 'Holidays and visits'** this term. Their focus story this week was 'Last stop on market street'. Pre-School have talked about different places you can visit when you travel by bus and the children shared their own travel experiences. They made their own buses with passengers in art and had fun role playing in the garden with 'Willows bus', a bus driver, conductor and passengers.



The Purley Pre-school children have been focusing on **"Beach Days"** this week. They have been loving their new role play area which has a **photobooth**, **ice cream shop and flower necklaces** to dress up in. They have been building pretend sandcastles and 'relaxing' on the beach towels. Outside, Pre-School have been using their turn-taking skills to catch the fish with Miss Sutton's fishing rod. Unreeling the string and trying to hold the rod still requires so much control but they are doing a great job!







The Purley Kindergarten children have been having great fun playing with the water tray, filling and emptying various sized containers and generally having great fun getting wet this week! Mrs Hollands brought in a **small solar water fountain** for the children to watch and the children chose different attachments to make a different water effects. The children also learnt that the fountain needed the sun to shine on it to make it work, over the week they began to learn they could not sit to close to it and told friends they needed to sit to one side so as not to block the sun.







As part of their term topic, **"Engineers"** the Reception boys have been investigating and designing how to build a den and a car. On Tuesday, they built small dens for some ani mals in groups. Each group presented their work to the rest of the class, and we were impressed with the standard of work. Great job, boys! On Wednesday, they started to build the car they had previously designed the previous week using junk modelling materials and brought to live their interesting designs. On Friday the boys were treated to an assembly by Faris's father who is a **Mechanical Engineer** and he showed them the wonderful buildings he has been involved in creating.





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

Gold Award:

South Croydon Pre-School : Priya Purley Pre-School: Theodora RS: Ayaan RUS: Faris

Star of the week:

South Croydon Pre-School: Purley Pre-School: Thomas RS: Shaan RUS: Max Kind regards, Mrs Shelley Head of EYFS

PTA Events







IF SO, THE BOYS AND NURSERY PTA ARE LOOKING FOR CRAFTERS TO RECYCLE OLD NURSERY SWEATSHIRTS AND JOCGING BOTTOMS TO MAKE BUNTING TO BE USED AT SCHOOL EVENTS.

> PLEASE CONTACT RIA ON 07982345670



