



CHS Boys' School & Nursery

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 3rd November

Cumnor House School

Key Dates - Early Years and Boys' School

All school dates for this term are available to view on the 'Calendar' section of your Cognita Connect app.

EARLY YEARS

Thursday 9th November 6:30pm, PTA Annual General Meeting & **7:00pm** PTA Committee Meeting in the Boys' School Hall (all parents welcome)

Tuesday 21st November 3:30pm, Reception and Pre-School Phonics Workshop

BOYS' SCHOOL

Thursday 7th November 5pm-8pm, Year 8 Parent Progress Meetings (Booking details have been sent via a Notice)

Thursday 9th November 6:30pm, PTA Annual General Meeting & **7:00pm** PTA Committee Meeting in the Boys' School Hall (all parents welcome)

Thursday 16th November 5:30pm, Year 5 Teatime Music Concert

Thursday 30th November, ABRSM Exams

A Message from Miss Edwards



Dear Parents

After a wet and windy week it was a pleasure to join the **U8A team** in some slightly better weather for their **tournament** this afternoon. The boys played very well and won the tournament - congratulations **Deen, Essien, Joshua, Imaad, Ranveer, Oskar** and **William** on a great win.

We were also extremely fortunate to be able to host the **Premier League Trophy** at the Sports Field for the tournament. Thank you to **Mr Aikins** for arranging this exciting opportunity for the boys (and parents)!!

Congratulations to **Mr Fitzgerald** in his accomplishments at the **English National Masters Swimming Championships**. You will see his message below with information of his fund raising. He is **National Backstroke Champion** (for his age group - U25's I suspect). Well done - you have raised an amazing sum of money for a very worthy cause.



On **Global Be Well Day** in late **September** we opened our **Wellbeing Garden** at the **South Croydon Nursery** which my **Cognita** colleagues (**John Coombs, Andy Underhay, Helen Ferguson, Jo Casale and Melissa Jones**) from our Operations team transformed. This was previously an underutilised area and the children are really enjoying spending time there. Our boys will also be visiting from the main school and we will be working on sustainability in the garden as well as using it for stories, gardening and adventures. **Thanks must also go to the site team at Cumnor for their great support with this too.**



1 - Before



2 - Creating the vegetable beds



3 - Building of a herb garden



4 - Mid build



5 - After





Parth in **Year 7** has been busy over the half term. His historical figure Genghis Khan and his horse has been expertly made using papier mache - really well done! Over the last half term Y7 have been studying Empires and had the chance to extend their learning by creating a model, map or something similar. Watch this space for more exciting projects from across the school...



I hope to see you all **next Thursday evening at our AGM/PTA** meeting where our new committee will be introduced and we will begin preparations for many exciting events this year - including the **Merry Market on Saturday 2nd December**.

Finally, congratulations to this week's 'star of the week' below. The boys were thrilled when they popped in to see the Senior Leadership Team to give us the good news.

2CT - Leo

2R - Nana

1C - Kenny

1L - Eden

1S - Norman

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Kind Regards

Miss Edwards

Head of School



Save the Date - Merry Market!



Mr Fitzgerald's National Masters Swimming Championship in aid of the Royal Marsden Cancer Hospital

Dear Parents

Thank you so much for sponsoring me to raise money for the Royal Marsden Cancer Hospital. I've raised £4,726 so far, which is far more than my target of £3,000. Your generosity has been outstanding and it's truly appreciated!

I competed in the English National Masters Swimming Championships last weekend and I am very pleased with the way that I swam after so many years away from competition. I won my event and became the National Backstroke Champion for my age group - 35 years after winning my first National title, and 29 years after winning my last National title (I am definitely giving away my age here).

I enjoyed both the training leading up to the event and the competition itself, plus it was great having my family there supporting me.

It is not too late to sponsor me for this worthy cause, if you would like to make a donation then please click [HERE](#)



Thank you again for all of your support and well wishes for this event!

Kind regards

Mr Fitzgerald

Head of Swimming

Music

Dates for your diary

Year 5 Teatime Concert Thursday 16th November 5.30pm

ABRSM Exams Thursday 30th November All day

Carol Service Wednesday 6th December 7pm (tbc)

Y1/2 Nativity Friday 8th December 2pm

Christmas Informal Concert Tuesday 12th December 4.30pm

Miss Secker

Head of Music

Notices

SELSDON JUNIOR F.C.



WANTED!
YEAR 1 FOOTBALLERS.

Interested in playing for the biggest and best junior football club in Croydon?
Selsdon Junior will start training and recruitment sessions for next seasons Under-7 teams.

Players in Year 1 at school. (DOB 1-9-2017 => 31-8-2018)

Training will start in Saturday Mornings
November 4th.

If you are interested in coming along, want to pre-book a place, or want more information please contact Joe at joe@selsdonjuniorfc.co.uk or text to: 07545 859615

Players MUST register in advance as places are limited.



Early Years

Stars of the Week

Pre-School South Croydon: **Nola**

Pre-School Purley: **Logan**

RA: Rafael

RL: AJ

RW: Zachary

Gold Awards

Pre-School South Croydon: **Eesa**

Pre- School Purley: **Raed**

RA: Ayyan

RL: Hayder

RW: Raymond

Congratulations to all these children.

Reception



It has been a great first week back in Reception. The boys enjoyed talking about their fun adventures during the holidays with family and friends and had lots of fun learning about Bonfire Night by listening to stories, role playing fireworks, making fabulous fireworks pictures, and writing acrostic poems using onomatopoeia.

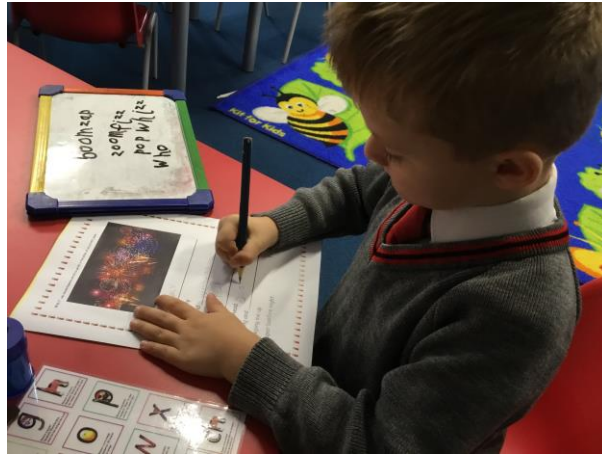
Nativity

Can you believe it's that time of year already?!

The boys have all been given lines (please find these in their blue contact books) and we would appreciate it if you could take some time to regularly go through these with your child at home so they feel confident and ready during our upcoming rehearsals.

We have also indicated what costume your child will need, these can be shop bought or homemade. If you could please ensure these are in school by **Monday 20th November** - if you have any questions please get in contact with your son's class teacher.





Pre-School

Pre-School Purley

It has been a busy week sharing our holiday news, pictures and videos. It is lovely to see how excited our children are sharing family events.

Our learning activities are keeping us very busy making potions, printing pumpkins and sparks in the sky chalk pictures. We are enjoying our calm corner where we can sit and take time to enjoy our lovely set of feelings books. We have been busy with our speed sounds and are doing so well with our bouncy and stretchy sounds. Well done children

We helped our teddies learn all about where he is using positional language. We are looking forward to the many different festivals and celebrations that we will enjoy together over the coming weeks.





Pre-School South Croydon

This week in Pre-School we have settled back into our routine and the children were excited to tell the teachers all the exciting things they had been creating and crafting in the half term holiday - spiders and pumpkins galore! We have been talking about different seasons and the celebrations that are coming up this week, we created firework pictures with different styles and technics for creativity. We used stamping and straw blowing to see what firework pictures we could create.

We introduced our Santa's grotto and the children had their first experience of our own Library, where children got to pick a book to take home for the week.

Please can parents ensure that any person collecting their child has the password, including those that collect regularly. Occasionally, staff will be different to the usual staff so passwords will be needed to safeguard your child.









Kindergarten

Kindergarten Purley

This week we are looking at the season of Autumn, and with Halloween it gave us the perfect opportunity to have lots of fun with pumpkins. We have talked about their colour, where they grow and the children have told us if they have them at home. Mrs Hollands carved 2 pumpkins for the children to see, so they could make their own interpretation of a pumpkin and they were all really excited to show them off to everyone. We had a tray with small plastic pumpkins and all the insides from the pumpkins, making for some great messy play and exploring of different textures, from the slimy seeds to the firm pieces of pumpkin.







Kindergarten South Croydon

This week in Kindergarten we have been creating Firework art. We have made firework effects by flick painting, using chalks, using stamps, and using glitter. Our Sound of the week is 't' and we have practised our pronunciation when naming items beginning with our sound. Around our campfire we have role played toasting marshmallows, learning new camp songs and having group discussions about our experiences.







PTA Events



CUMNOR HOUSE BOYS' AND NURSERY
PTA PRESENTS

PTA AGM/COMMITTEE MEETING

ALL PARENTS WELCOME TO ATTEND

THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2023
6:30 PM
BOYS' SCHOOL HALL