



FROM THE HEAD MASTER

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The academic year has now ended and as always, the final week was a blur of activity. Sports Day was a very happy and successful occasion with some strong competition and much positive support from the pupils. In the same week, we had an outstanding Symphonic Concert, a lovely concert in Chapel presented by *Schola Cantorum* and the Chamber Orchestra and yet another outstanding Big Band Concert in the Theatre. The final formal gathering for the academic year was the Leaving Service, which is when we bid farewell to our leavers. Once again, it was a very moving occasion for all concerned, as was Beating Retreat which, in spite of the hot weather, was more impressive than ever.

Staff Leaving.

We have a number of staff leaving this year. Some are going on to promotions in other schools, one is retiring and one or two are simply moving on to fresh challenges. So, in order of their length of service at CH, we say farewell and good luck to:

- Sean Davey, who has been appointed as Development Director at Reigate Grammar School;
- Jeffrey Mayhew, who is retiring;
- Charlie Farquharson-Roberts, who has been on study leave this year and who has now decided to seek work closer to home;
- Stacey Wilson, who has been appointed as Head of Girls' Games at Bablake;
- Hannah Morrell, who will be taking over Girls' Games at Canford;
- Jamie Pybus, who is emigrating to Australia;
- David Aldridge, who is moving into tertiary education as a tutor at Oxford Brookes;
- Chris Ham, who leaves to continue his studies;
- Liz Vile, who will also be returning to her studies;
- Revd Ian Colson, who has been appointed as an Army Padre; and
- Sam Beckett, who moves on to Shiplake College.

On behalf of everyone at CH, I would like to thank our leaving staff for all that they have done for this school and its pupils in their time here. Whatever it is that they are going on to, may they enjoy every happiness and success in the future.

Pupils.

Our best wishes go with all of our school leavers as they prepare to move on to life beyond CH. Our Grecians have been a very interesting group this year; a happy coalition of individuals, each with their own ideas and idiosyncrasies. That is as it should be and that is what has given this year group such colour and character.

As they leave Christ's Hospital behind, they take with them our very best wishes for the future. I hope that they will also take with them many happy memories of their time here; of the good friends that they have made and the good times they have had.

The Monitors have done a fine job this year assisting with the smooth running of the school and in particular, I would like to thank the Second Monitor, Alex Woolley and the Senior Grecian, Lily Hayes who have provided excellent role models for the younger pupils.

For next year, the Second Monitor will be Jack Ferrell and the Senior Grecian will be Phoebe Hames.

Public Exam results.

Most of our pupils have been working very well this term and I am hopeful that our exam candidates will have done themselves and the school justice in their summer exams.

All GCSE, AS and A2 pupils should have received a letter setting out how they can obtain the results once they are published.

The Grecians will receive their A2 results on Thursday 19th August. Candidates may telephone the School Office from 9.00 am to receive oral confirmation of their results on **01403 247627** or **01403 247462**. Alternatively, they may collect their result slips in person from the School Office **after** 12 noon that day. If the results are not collected in person, they will be posted to candidates by first class post and should arrive the following day. It is a legal requirement that the results are given to the candidate in person and cannot be handed over to a parent or any other representative.

AS Level results (for the Deputy Grecians) are also released on Thursday 19th August.

Candidates should either phone the school on the numbers above or collect their results in person **from midday**. If not collected, results will be sent out in the post within 48 hours.

GCSE results will arrive at school on Tuesday 24th August. GE pupils may phone the School Office after 10.00 am that morning on the designated numbers above

or may collect their results in person after midday. Again, results that are not collected that day will be posted and should arrive the following day.

Coleridge and Barnes Wallis Trophies.

These prestigious academic awards are based on each House's average effort grade per pupil and on Head Master's Commendations. In the Summer Term, the 2nd Form, 3rd Form and LE exam results are also included.

Coleridge Trophy (for the best boys' house)

- 1st Middleton B 7.31
- 2nd Lamb B 6.67
- 3rd Middleton A 6.10

Barnes Wallis Trophy (for the best girls' house)

- 1st Thornton B 7.85
- 2nd Leigh Hunt B 7.52
- 3rd Barnes A 6.77

Both trophies are thus retained by the houses which won them last term. Thornton B's win is their third in three terms, albeit shared with LHB last December.

The Bulkely-Evans HMC Scholarship:

I am delighted to announce that Imogen Phillips has been awarded a scholarship to help fund her Gap year plans, which are to work at St. Cyprian's School in Kimberley.

ISA Travel Award:

I am also pleased to announce that Andrew Maloney, Hugh Lindley and Imogen Phillips were successful in their application for Gap Year funding from the ISA Travel Award, kindly donated by Mr Richard Paice.

Harvard Prize Book.

This prize is awarded to 'an outstanding student in the penultimate year, academically excellent, with exceptional personal qualities, who makes a significant contribution at school or community'. This year's winner was Robert Mathias.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award:

Two Grecians, Ashleigh Abayomi-Singh and Alex Woolley, have completed their Gold Awards over the course of the year. This is a real achievement and we wish them well when they travel to James's Palace later in the year to receive their Gold certificates from the Duke of Edinburgh.

Changes for Next Year.

When school resumes in September, there will be a small increase in the number of full fee-paying pupils joining the school. Eight of these will be boarders, four will be day pupils and there will also be four German "Pre-IB" pupils who will spend a year in the GE before they start the IB Diploma Programme in September 2011.

Calendar:

The Calendar for next term will be posted to you in late August, along with updates to the Parents' Handbook.

Finally. As I said at the outset, this has been a busy and productive year, with much good work taking place on the academic front and in the wider life of the school. My grateful thanks go to the teaching staff who have done so much over the past year to ensure that our pupils have received the best possible care and education.

My wife Kim joins me in wishing you and your family an enjoyable and relaxing summer.

With kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Franklin', with a horizontal line underneath.

John Franklin,
Head Master.

SPORTS NEWS

SUMMER 2010

Rugby Fives.

Although this is not a Fives term it must be mentioned that the first ever U12 Girls Fives internal competition was held. Congratulations go to runner-up Mary Ward and winner Liberty Kimber, as well as plate winner Louise Turk.

Swimming.

Some of the squad have been able to swim all year at Senior level and this meant that the team had much better match fitness than in previous years. The first gala against Reigate saw the U15Boys and Senior boys win. In the gala against Lancing, CH went down, despite some hard won individual firsts from Omar Al-Sanea, Abi Hitchcock and Andrew Boadi.

The junior girls had a very exciting first gala against Farlington with the U14 and U12 winning. The U12 also won their section of the second gala against Farlington after half term. We didn't do quite so well against St. Bedes and St. John's Leatherhead, or indeed against Charterhouse and Hurstpierpoint, but there were great individual wins from Henrietta Henry, Finley Reid and Andrew Boadi to name a few.

Rounders.

The Juniors have had a lot of fun this summer and it has been good to see the U14 and U15 successfully competing against other schools. The U13B and U12B teams must be congratulated on their unbeaten season

The Junior House Cup Ties on Saturday were played in a great atmosphere and all the matches were very competitive. By winning all of their matches, for the 3rd consecutive year, Leigh Hunt B are worthy winners of the shield.

Boys Tennis.

There have been some mixed results this season, but all the boys showed determination and endeavour and this should be applauded. Special mention goes to Levi Scott, Joel Williams Arcanjo, Henry Kilminster, Ollie Hare, Rory Keddie and Fergus Denton who have been great value this term.

In the internal competition, the Boys Singles winner was Joel Williams-Arcanjo

Girls Tennis.

It has been a most encouraging term with the U14 girls in particular showing much promise and potential for the future with Rachel O'Boyle and Coralie Strong being an impressive first pair. The U15 squads have had a challenging term, but have enjoyed their tennis, while the seniors have had some excellent wins as well as some frustratingly close losses.

The Inter House Competition saw some inspiring tennis in the heat and was won by Leigh Hunt A.

The School Tournament has once again been well supported and the finals played this week have all been very competitive. Results are as follows:

Junior Girls Singles	Rachel O'Boyle
Junior Girls Doubles	Rachel O'Boyle & Coralie Strong
Senior Girls Doubles	Susie Wilson and Helena Bewick
Senior Girls Singles	Susie Wilson

This year we see the presentation of a new trophy – the Kilmister Trophy - kindly presented by the parents of Henry and Amy (who was the Girls Captain in 2006). This is awarded to a girl or boy who has made an outstanding contribution to tennis at CH in terms of commitment as a player and as a role model.

The inaugural winner of this trophy is Sally Hill, Captain of Girls Tennis.

Cricket.

The Cricket season has been blessed with fine weather and no matches have had to be cancelled because of rain. In recent weeks the Under 13A, Under 14A and Under 15 teams have all recorded good victories. There have been some fine individual performances – with Liam Shippides' 6 wickets against Pennthorpe and Alex Johnson's 94 not out against Reigate Grammar being the most notable.

Toby Lane scored 101 not out against Lord Wandsworth and is to be commended on his fine maiden century.

The 1st XI has had 3 excellent team performances in the last week. In a very close game Reigate, we saw a new school record when Luke Hansford became the youngest boy in the school's history to score a century (124) for the 1st XI. Many congratulations to him.

On the last Wednesday of term, the 1st XI did extremely well to defeat the MCC team for only the second time in 35 years. The match was watched by many Old Blues, who had kindly made donations for the refurbishment of the Cricket Pavilion.

After term finished, the captain, Alex Marsh, and his team travelled to Somerset to play in the King's School, Bruton Cricket Festival. I am pleased to announce that our boys won all three games in fine style.

Athletics.

In the second half of the season the Junior Boys, Junior Girls and Intermediate Girls teams all successfully made it through to the Regional Finals of the English School's Athletics. It is also worth noting that the 2nd form girls defended the Sussex Champion's title with outstanding performances by all our athletes.

Sports Day was once again a great success and the honours this year went to Coleridge A for the girls and Middleton.

14 athletes were selected to represent Mid-Sussex in the recent Sussex County Championships, with some outstanding medal winning performances from:

Alex Fryday	who won a bronze in the 200m,
Rosie Lane	bronze in the High Jump,
Toby Lane	silver in the 80m Hurdles,
Dean Mensah	silver in the Hammer throw,
Jamilla Ekeidi	silver in the 100m,
Graham Nelson	silver in the 800m.

Nick Ofonagoro, who not only won gold in his 100m Hurdles, also broke the Sussex Schools Championship record. This is a huge achievement and it goes well with the gold medal he won in the 100m hurdles the week before in the South of England Championship. Nick now has a place on the English School's team going to Birmingham on the 9th July and we wish him every success.

Girl's Honours for Next Year:

Hockey Captain	India Pearey Xenia Bond
Netball Captain	Desi Omojokun
Tennis Captain	Susie Wilson

The James Atkinson Prize.

This is a new award donated by Mrs Atkinson in memory of her son James, who was killed in a climbing accident last year. It is awarded to a CH pupil who has shown exceptional aptitude and commitment to outdoor pursuits and the first winner of this prize is Jack Redvers Harris.

The Sillett Trophy is awarded to the winning Boy's House. It covers cricket, athletics, swimming and a variety of other block sports. This year, the winning block was Middleton, with Lamb in second place.