

CH NEWS



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Simon Reid, Headmaster

It has been very good indeed to welcome parents and guardians to events at School this term; our parents' evenings have given me another opportunity, along with my wife Michèle, to get to know you.

The support shown by parents to the pupils at this year's annual steeplechase was incredible and helped many across the finish line. A number of the races were very close. Congratulations to the winning houses, Peele A and B and Leigh Hunt A and B.

Big School has been the base for some great moments this term and worthy of mention first was the part-song annual competition. Well done to the winners Peele, Barnes A and Grecians East. The band concert performed to a packed and appreciative audience and the Angus Ross concert rounded-off this term's impressive musical events. Special mention should be made of the School's top six flautists each of whom performed parts of Rutter's 'Suite Antique'.

Easter holidays will see the start of the old kitchen area being

demolished to enable work to continue on the new catering facility and if you have not had the chance to visit the newly opened Hertford Centre, I would recommend you drop in. This very welcoming space replaces the old Grecians' Club and is a fantastic addition to the site.

May I wish you and your families a very good Easter and if you happen to be in or near the City of London during the break, please do go and see our sculpture in Newgate Street. It gives me great pleasure to announce that very generous supporters, who have been inspired by this project, have pledged funding for a replica to be installed at the School in the none too distant future.

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High Notes

Congratulations to the following musicians on their recent success. Olga Parr took the Associate of the Royal Schools of Music (ARSM) Diploma – a post-Grade 8 exam – on the flute – and passed with distinction. Matthew Ward-Perkins has been offered a place to study saxophone at the Trinity Laban Conservatoire in London and Charlotte Suckling has been offered a place to study bassoon at the Royal Military School of Music in London. Two members of Schola Cantorum, Lucy Horder and Phoebe Weir, are now singing in the National Youth Choir of Great Britain.



Monitors' Walk from London to CH

A group of Christ's Hospital monitors are preparing to walk 44 miles on 15 April, raising money for two local charities, YoungMinds and Chestnut Tree House.

The pupils will walk from CH's former site in the City of London to the Horsham campus in an estimated time of 12 hours. They will start their journey in Newgate Street by the School's recently installed sculpture – a route which they say connects CH's long history and its thriving ethos today.

Diary note for parents and guardians:

In addition to their walk, the pupils have organised a cake stall to raise further funds in the Quad at 4.45 to 7pm on 15 April which is the Sunday summer term starts. Their target is to raise £2,500 for the two charities. Donations greatly appreciated!
<https://www.justgiving.com/teams/monitorswalk2>



Royal Mathematical School Stretches Skills

The Christ's Hospital Maths Department, along with hundreds of other schools across the country, runs the UKMT Maths Challenge – an extra-curricular maths examination intended to stretch the skills of those taking part. It is broken down into three parts – the Senior, Intermediate and Junior Challenges. Candidates can earn Bronze, Silver or Gold Certificates for exceptional performance.

Last term the Senior Maths Challenge paper was sat, and there were a number of impressive results. We would especially like to recognise the great work of five outstanding performers. Firstly, Ziyi Guo and Owen Purnell qualified for the British Mathematical Olympiad – something that only the top 1,000 performers in the Senior Maths Challenge are invited to. We'd also like to recognise Lisa Fordham, Yuki Takeuchi and Alexander Vojdani who qualified for the Senior 'Kangaroo' – a paper that the next top 6,000 performers are offered.



Impressive University Offers for 2018

Christ's Hospital pupils are celebrating first choice higher education offers and they are now fully motivated to secure their places on some of the finest courses.

Seven pupils have received offers from Oxbridge. The courses they are aiming to read include Anglo-saxon, Norse and Celtic; History and Economics; Mathematics; English and Classics; History; Biochemistry; Theology, Religions and Philosophy of Religion.

Impressive applications have also resulted in course offers from the University of St Andrews, London School of Economics, University College London and Imperial, to name but a few, as well as from specialist Art and Music schools.

We wish all the senior pupils well with their final exams.

MUN Conference



Christ's Hospital hosted a Model United Nations (MUN) Conference with representations from a total of 40 CH and Epsom College sixth form pupils. The delegates debated pressing world problems including:

- Disarmament:** The Question of the Right to Nuclear Weapons
- Health:** The Question of Combating and Preventing the Zika Virus
- Human Rights:** The Question of the Legalising of Capital Punishment
- Economic and Social:** The Question of Legalising the Trade in Opiates

A co-curricular activity run in schools and universities, the aim of MUN is to build an understanding of current global challenges. Participants take on the role of diplomats and political leaders from across the globe. Individual delegates win prizes for representing 'their' countries and the chosen topics have to be thoroughly researched for stand-out debates. It is also a test of leadership skills, teamwork and critical thinking.

Following a rigorous day, the winners from CH were Helena Walsh, outstanding delegate, with highly commended awards given to Andre Da Silva-Jenkins, Kate Cooley and Emma Hitchcock.

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For parents/guardians who are applying for a place for their child and current parents, Marlene Fleming, Deputy Head, provides insight into the excellent and robust pastoral systems provided for the pupils in our care.

The 'Team Around the Child'

All of the staff, whether they be teachers, matrons, medical, cleaning, estate or catering staff are vital components in our pastoral care; they are our eyes and ears on the ground. They receive INSET training on a wide range of issues from child protection to social media issues to workshops to raise awareness of 'Prevent' (anti-terrorism training). Staff know how and to whom to pass on information which may give cause for concern: when a pupil seems unhappy, is being bullied or seems isolated. We call this holistic approach the 'Team Around the Child'.

Tutorial System Underpins Pastoral Care



Our well-structured boarding house system together with a house-based tutorial system from Years 7 to 11 and specialist sixth form tutors for Years 12 and 13 underpin the high quality of our pastoral care. There is always a member of staff on duty and visibly present when pupils are in the house and they get to know the pupils well. Every pupil meets their tutor every week in a timetabled tutorial period in groups no larger than eight to ten and this builds up a good relationship.

Outside the boarding house we have Heads of Year who have an overview of



a year group and a Head of PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education) who ensures the School is delivering a relevant and up-to-date programme. From September, a Pupil Wellbeing Coordinator will be responsible for facilitating pupil-led wellbeing initiatives and the Assistant Head, Pastoral, will chair a Pastoral Care Group to ensure that these are put into practice.

Pupil Mentoring

We also rely on pupils to let us know if something is amiss: every new pupil is allocated a Pupil Mentor when they first arrive. This friendship in many cases lasts beyond the first few days and weeks. Many of our Deputy Grecians

(Year 12) volunteer for training as Peer Mentors and provide another means of support whilst, at the same time, these Peer Mentors learn life skills in helping others.

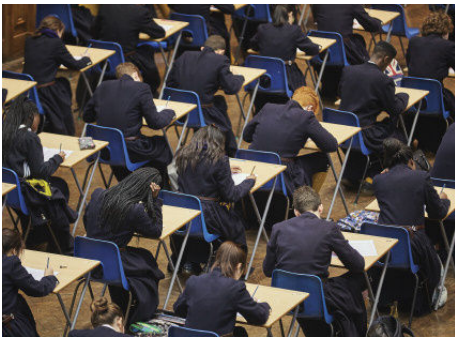
Social Media Issues – Help and Information

Young people have always experienced a range of issues and angst but I think that the issues that they face nowadays are greater. The pressures of social media with on-line chat lines and on-line bullying have far greater repercussions when hundreds or even thousands of people can read them. There are substantial worries about whom they might be talking to on-line, grooming and potentially dangerous



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sites to which they might have access. Parents as well as teachers often feel helpless about how to keep abreast of current trends and sites. Therefore we have set up a social media page for parents on our School website to offer help and current information. We are regularly inviting parents to presentations in School about social media issues. We are doing our best to educate pupils about the dangers as well as the advantages of social media; for example, following a serious sexting incident, we held a whole School tutorial on this topic and spelt out the legal implications.



Public examination pressures also take their toll. In the past these often manifested themselves in difficulty with sleeping but in the last few years more pupils are showing signs of mental ill health as a result.

"In order to provide a wide range of support for all our pupils we have set up groups which meet on a weekly basis to discuss individuals and the various issues they are struggling with and to decide on appropriate strategies to help them. In this 'Team Around the Child' approach, communication is absolutely vital whilst also maintaining confidentiality.

Support Groups

There is a weekly Welfare Team meeting comprising one of the Deputy Heads, the Designated Safeguarding Lead, the Assistant Head, Pastoral, the Medical Centre Manager, the two School Counsellors, the Chaplain and the Head of Teaching and Learning Support. Here we decide on strategies to help pupils

experiencing difficulties and these strategies include individual support, in-house counselling, individual welfare plans and referrals to outside agencies.

A Range of Support and Safeguarding

There are also a whole range of other meetings taking place at different levels to ensure that no pupil is left unmentioned if they need help or support. For example, there are weekly House Meetings when all the boarding tutors working in a house together with the matron meet to discuss any house or pupil issues. There are weekly 'Cause for Concern' meetings comprising one of the Deputy Heads and the Heads of Year who discuss pupils' unacceptable or worrying behaviour and the way forward. We publish confidentially to all teaching and boarding staff a list of pupils whose mental health issues are giving us serious cause for concern or who are having difficulty coping on a daily basis.

We have appointed an Assistant Designated Safeguarding Lead to help the Designated Safeguarding Lead with the issues which come before us. We have also appointed a Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding and Child Protection. We have had a Safeguarding Consultant since 2012 to advise and check that we are doing all that we should to safeguard our pupils.

We are also in the process of introducing training in Mental Health

First Aid so that every boarding block has at least one member of staff trained to recognise and to deal with the early onset of problems. Another new initiative is the training of some staff for the Rainbow Flag Award which will help to advise and support any pupils with transgender issues, known as LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender).

Well Informed Parents

Not only do we aim to keep parents and guardians aware of all that is happening with their own child but also, more widely, to keep them informed about how we are looking after pupils' physical and mental well-being. Most recently parents and guardians were invited to a Pastoral Morning in February when presentations were given by key providers of pastoral care.

As you can appreciate, our pastoral care is all-embracing and we never stand still or are complacent. We are constantly working to improve and to update what we do in order to provide the stability which enables pupils to fulfil their potential. **98% of our leavers, many of whom have faced high levels of adversity, secure places at top universities in the UK or overseas. This does not happen automatically without a robust system of support. The 'value added' which CH provides cannot be measured in league tables but lies in the resilience and well-being of our pupils.**





Medicine - A Bright Future

The Medical Society was set up three years ago and is run by science teacher, Nathalie Dotor Cespedes, for Deps and Grecians (Year 12 and 13 pupils). It is very successful in focusing the minds of young people who aspire to explore the medical profession as a future career.

The Society meets once a week in the science department for an hour and has over 20 members, the majority are studying science and maths A level (a must if pupils are considering medicine at university). The Society is also valuable to pupils interested in related professions such as dentistry or veterinary science.

A number of stimulating events are organised for its members from curriculum enrichment to tackling personal statements, interview preparation and discussion forums on current topics and ethics.

In addition, pupils have the opportunity to outreach with similar societies run in other schools. For example, in February, sixth formers from neighbouring Lancing College and Ardingly College were invited to a Surgical Skills workshop hosted by the CH Medical Society. This workshop was run by Old Blue (former pupil) the eminent Dr Judy Evans, the first female plastic surgeon in the UK. Dr Evans was accompanied by four doctors, two of whom are also Old

Blues, which included distinguished cardiac and plastic surgeons. As well as exploring the different routes into medicine, the group of 45 students had a go at the practical side which included learning basic suturing techniques and practising the fine motor skills required for endoscopic keyhole surgery before finishing with a Q&A session with Dr Evans and her team.

Pupils also link up with Lancing College to share skills in the practice of MMI (micro mini interview) techniques.



Earlier in the term, society members were given the opportunity to watch a cadaver prosection led by staff of Brighton University's Leaf Hospital, a specialist private physiotherapy and podiatry clinic in Eastbourne. As well as listening to an experienced podiatrist and physiotherapist talk them through the anatomy of two cadavers, they were able to get 'hands on' if they wished. One of the pupils said: "I was initially

quite anxious about seeing the cadaver, however this was overcome very easily once we underwent the prosection. It was not only fascinating but also respectful of those who donated their bodies to science." This was a truly unique experience to add to a personal statement.

In January this year, it was reported (BBC News) that the number of nurses recruited into the NHS was the lowest for five years. The Medical Society's Nathalie Dotor Cespedes already has ideas to expand the membership to include GE (Year 11) pupils and broaden the offering of the Society. She acknowledges pupils do not always want to become doctors and wants to encourage pupils to consider a whole range of avenues such as nursing, biomedical sciences, physiotherapy, podiatry and radiography – under the umbrella of an expanded Society membership where pupils are nurtured in a dedicated afternoon 'active'. At the same time, they can also find out if a career in medicine is not for them before finalising their sixth form course options.

The medical profession has always strongly appealed to CH pupils with several pupils each year reading medicine or medical related courses at university. Last year, places were awarded at Cardiff, Coventry, Imperial, KCL, Newcastle, UCL, Southampton, Brighton and Surrey.

Brand New Hospitality Centre

The new Hertford Centre, which replaces the Grecians' Club, opened in January. The facility has a café and tuck shop and a larger multi-purpose room with seating for just under 200 people. It is an ideal venue for parents to meet their children, have a cup of coffee and a snack and a catch up and also serves as a venue for pupil entertainment on a Saturday evening.

The Hertford Centre has been named by the CH community to celebrate the girls' school in Hertford which closed in 1985 when the girls were transferred to Horsham.



Medieval Sermon



Christ's Hospital's Schola Cantorum sang at the annual Spital Sermon service at St Lawrence Jewry next to Guildhall, London. Dating back to 1197, the sermon was preached from the old open-air pulpit at St Mary Spital on three days during Easter week. Each year, a new Easter anthem was composed with copies printed that included advertisements about the School with requests for donations.

'Help Shape the Future' says MP for Horsham

Jeremy Quin MP visited Christ's Hospital on 2 February to talk to senior pupils about a career in public service, inspiring them to consider how they can best serve society in the future, and the role they might have.

He said: "It was a pleasure to meet the Christ's Hospital students. I am always keen to encourage young people to engage in politics – whatever their party political affiliations and it was good to engage in a debate with a wide range of views. I was also keen to make the point that for those who want to take on a role in shaping our future there are many important roles which happily do not require standing for election!"



Funds for 'Their Future Today'

The drama department organised 'Letters Out Loud' to raise money for 'Their Future Today', a charity which supports babies, children and families in Sri Lanka.

The event celebrated the art of letter writing and saw rehearsed, performed readings of letters from a range of voices covering a variety of subjects and emotions.

The audience was captivated by the letters written to and from figures from the world of politics, the arts and literature. Letter writers brought to life included amongst others, Sol De Witt, Abraham Lincoln, JK Rowling and Spike Milligan. The pupils also shared their own personal letters, giving the evening a further dimension.

The evening raised £162 for 'Their Future Today' adding to the £526 raised in the Community Project in October.

Richard Reeve - A History of Philanthropy

Throughout Christ's Hospital's long history, it has relied greatly on the generosity of benefactors who endow funds for bursaries. Their support undoubtedly has been pivotal to transforming the lives of generations of pupils. CH is grateful for their continuing support today to help to provide free and assisted boarding education for the majority of its pupils.

One such benefactor, the Richard Reeve's Foundation, has been associated with CH for many centuries. The association with this Foundation dates back to the School's original home in Newgate Street in the City of London.

Richard Reeve was a wealthy merchant, who, on his death, left a significant part of his estate for charitable purposes, most of which was entrusted to the Minister and Church Wardens of St Sepulchre, Newgate and from which in 1706, emerged the Richard Reeve's Foundation.

However, records show that before Richard Reeve's death, he was making donations to CH. He was also generously helping others - his family, the poor of the parish of St Sepulchre, St Bartholomew's Hospital and he provided money to build alms houses for the poor of St Sepulchre's parish and for the payment of the teaching of poor children.

When Richard Reeve passed away in 1702, he left no specific instructions as to how the income of his charity should be spent. The endowment resulting from his Will included shares in the East India Company and Bank of England stocks, plate and lace which were sold and the money reinvested in freehold property in London's West End, from which much of the Richard Reeve's Foundation income is still derived.

It was not until the 1894 charitable Scheme that the various strands of the Foundation's activities were rationalised in a way that set it to continue and flourish. Records show again that at this time, the Scheme made provision for CH: *'£1200 was to be paid annually to Christ's Hospital in order to guarantee 30 places for Reeve's Scholars, 15 for boys and 15 for girls. The children were to be selected by examination from any of the Reeve's endowed elementary schools in the Metropolis, with preference given to children from St Sepulchre, Clerkenwell and St Andrew Holborn'*.

Over the course of the 20th century, the Foundation's fortunes fluctuated but the Trustees remained alert to the changing educational needs of young people and in 1991 obtained Charity Commission approval to expand the geographical 'Area of Benefit' to encompass the City of London and the London Boroughs of Camden and Islington.

Today, the Richard Reeve's Foundation continues to make grants to a small number of partner organisations to help young people in the area of benefit through education and

training. CH continues to be one of Reeve's beneficiaries, helping children in the School's care, which is hugely appreciated.

Children applying for a place at CH for Year 7 (at age 11) may receive means-tested bursarial support through the School by the Richard Reeve's Foundation, provided they reside in their 'Area of Benefit'. A child may be nominated by CH for support following the entry assessment process, after places are awarded. The Richard Reeve's Foundation and CH's Development and Admissions teams work closely together to ensure that the appropriate grants are made to meet the Foundation's criteria of eligibility. The Foundation is able to support one child – boy or girl – per year.



Once a child has been chosen, a governor is nominated by the Foundation's Board of Trustees. The governors keep in contact with their pupils. They are kept aware of their progress and receive regular School reports. Currently, there are five Richard Reeve's pupils being educated at the School and another pupil is currently nominated to enter in September 2018.

Joseph, a Richard Reeve's Foundation pupil said: "The Foundation has enabled me to do so many things I would not have been able to do at a normal secondary school. It has given me, the opportunity to go to a prestigious boarding school with history that seeps out of every inch of its awe-inspiring grounds.

"CH honestly sets you up for the big world out there and it sets you up cleverly, for university life. My experience of the Foundation has not only been CH related but it has given me, due to my sponsor's generosity, the chance to go to the banquet room at the Guildhall and on a VIP tour of Tower Bridge which would never have been possible without their help. Overall the Richard Reeve's Foundation has changed my life and I would specially like to thank Mr Dove and Mrs Scott for their incredible enthusiasm and kindness towards me."

Netball Teams vs Jersey Clubs

The senior and intermediate netball teams enjoyed blue skies and sunshine during their trip to Jersey over the half term when they played against Accies, St Lawrence and St Clements netball clubs. The girls played some impressive netball throughout - the seniors won all three of their matches with the intermediate team losing two but achieving a very clear win in the third.

As well as improving their game, the girls were able to unwind and take in the sites, exploring the beautiful coastline at St Brelades and its Fishermen's Chapel. They also visited Mont Orgueil Castle and Jersey's famous Corbiere lighthouse.



French Language Immersion

In February half term, 60 3rd Form and LE (Years 8 and 9) pupils enjoyed a French language immersion trip at the Chateau de la Baudonniere in Normandy.

The pupils tested their language skills whilst enjoying an array of activities such as wall climbing and 'aéroballe' (a ball game for two players on a trampoline), outdoor fitness as well as learning the art of French bread making.

The trip also included a visit to the famous Mont Saint Michel, the Memorial Museum of the Battle of Normandy and the Bayeux Tapestry.

CCF's Biennial Inspection

The 22 March was a very special day for Christ's Hospital when the School hosted the Combined Cadet Force Biennial Inspection reviewed by Wing Cdr David Warren RAF. Other military guests were overseeing their respective services.

Contingent Commander Lt Cdr Shelley Glanville RNR commented: "I am extremely proud of everything the cadets have achieved this year. Looking ahead, we have another exciting, challenging and engaging training programme which is complemented by our popular field days. The cadets and staff put in a great deal of hard work and practice to prepare for this big day, allowing for an excellent parade which was enhanced by the CH Band. Our combined thanks to Band Master Terry Whittingham and the musicians."



During his visit, Wg Cdr Warren met with the Headmaster, Simon Reid, to discuss the School's broad range of extra-curricular activities offered by the CCF and commented, during his address, on how smart everyone looked on parade.

A School for a Lifetime

Pupils have a strong bond with Christ's Hospital that begins on their first day of School and remains with them for a lifetime as they embark on future successes and achievements.

On leaving CH every pupil is welcomed as an 'Old Blue' and member of the Christ's Hospital Old Blues' Association (CHOPA) through which they gain great benefit from continued involvement with CH and the CH community. Just some of these benefits include:

- **Access to a Global Community** – wherever you are in the world, you are never far from an Old Blue. Our community expands across the Globe to help Old Blues remain connected with CH and fellow alumni, through access to events, reunions and other activities.
- **A Dedicated Careers Network** – CH remains committed to supporting every pupil as they enter the world of employment and throughout their career, through a dedicated career network of over 400 Old Blues who offer advice, guidance and mentoring.
- **Continued Professional Development** – Our various business networking groups aim to bring together Old Blues who share a common interest in various fields of expertise to network and share advice.
- **Opportunities to Continue to Support CH** – There are a variety of volunteering and fundraising activities for Old Blues to help sustain the School's ethos for the future and offer more young people the same benefits and opportunities that they themselves received.
- **Access to Financial Assistance** – The Benevolent Society of Blues (BSB) continues to support Old Blues at varying stages of their lives after CH with financial assistance through grants and loans.

For more information on any of the above, please visit www.choba.org.uk or contact oldblues@christs-hospital.org.uk

Monuments to Stay or Go?

Sir Rupert Jackson and a team of lawyers and barristers, returned to their old School for a law debate and a careers panel in February. The debate was led by the School's Debating Society. The motion was 'This House believes that monuments to controversial figures should be removed from schools and universities'. Christian Bryan Grecian (Year 13), chaired the debate:

Grecian (proposition) - Freddy Underwood and Katrina Millett

UF (Year 10) (opposition) - Andrew McLeod and Zinny Donovan

The opposition won the vote but Lord Justice Jackson awarded the Law Debate trophy for best speeches to the proposition. He gave specific feedback to both sides with tips for effective debating and public speaking.



Tips from Famous Actress

The very successful stage and screen actress Susannah Fielding returned to CH to give advice on approaching monologues in performance. Having left CH in 2002, she is a graduate of Guildhall School of Music and Drama and can be seen most recently in a CBS sitcom with Stephen Fry.

Susannah has forged a brilliant career starring in some iconic performances and television shows, ranging from 'The Merchant of Venice' to 'Doctor Who'. The workshop was extremely useful for all pupils with Susannah offering terrific ideas on staging and helpful vocal techniques.



Sports Report and Steeplechase 2018

Senior Badminton Squad

The badminton squad performed magnificently in the return fixture against Epsom College, winning 11-5. Charlene Chow and Hayden Siah were simply outstanding winning all three of their matches, and Penny Singh-Kingdon and Stephanie Chan excelled as the fifth pair, winning two out of three.

Fives

Highlights have included strong wins against Eastbourne College and a fiesty U14 victory against St Dunstan's. Aiysha Alli and Angelina Green won the U18 doubles in the Regional Girls' Championships and the Girls' National Finals. Aiysha also won the singles title. Rachael Baxter and Sophie Lambert won the doubles U16 and Richael also won the singles.

Football

The team of the season is, without doubt, the 2nd XI who have won all of their eight matches, conceding only four goals all season. They have scored 31 goals, with Neo Caine netting 14 of these goals including three hat-tricks.

Hockey

The highlight of this half term was a 2-2 draw against Charterhouse, where Aaron Aguma and Alex Manuel produced very impressive performances. Other notable performances can be credited to Bolu Olanrewaju the A team Goalkeeper, Amara McGeacie and Manuela Musanga.

Netball

The 1st team came second in the Invitational Dunottar Cup Tournament, with the 2nd team winning the shield tournament. The U12s have also gained success; winning the West Sussex schools tournament and the Central Sussex Schools Games event.

Rugby

The U12 boys, in particular, have improved significantly throughout the term, displaying lots of enthusiasm and no small amount of skill. The nominated players of the season were Morgan Purnell, Malcolm Bezel-Selby and Robert Chapple.

Squash

The squash teams have continued to play with great enthusiasm this term. The senior boys' and girls' Handicap Competition winners were Charlene Chow and Peter Batchelar.

Trampoline

Congratulations go to Morgan Purnell in the 2nd Form who was recently selected for the South East Regional Trampolining team and has also qualified for the National Individual Semi Final in Birmingham.

Steeplechase 2018

It was again most impressive to see the enthusiasm and energy on show, in an event watched by almost 300 parents. The results were:

Juniors - Manuela Musanga and Hugo Gammon

Intermediate - Lena Gedat and Otto Jakubowski

Senior A - Angelle Roberts and Julius Sessler

Senior B - Hannah Pinney and William Awdry. William also receives The Matt Leonard Trophy.

When all the scores were added up the block winners were:

Junior Boys - Middleton

Junior Girls - Leigh Hunt

Intermediate Boys - Peele

Intermediate Girls - Coleridge

Senior Boys - Peele

Senior Girls - Leigh Hunt

The overall winners of the two Steeplechase Cups, for the fifth consecutive year was Peele and for the eighth year in a row was Leigh Hunt.



Art on Instagram

The Art School has just set up an Instagram account where images are posted featuring a wide range of pupils' work of all ages/year groups. www.instagram.com/christshospitalartschool/



Bluecoats in the City

With 350 years of Christ's Hospital's extraordinary and diverse history, as one of the oldest boarding schools in England, is celebrated in a special exhibition at the Museum of London from Friday 13 July – Sunday 14 October.

The 'Bluecoats in the City' exhibition presents a thematic display of 30 intriguing, even quirky artefacts, dating from its Royal Charter by Edward VI to its move to Horsham in 1902.



Pictured: 1729 Leave Token

An Evening with Romesh Ranganathan



On 19 March, CH was delighted to welcome the stand-up comedian, Romesh Ranganathan, as part of its visiting speakers programme.

As well as sharing stories about his life as a comedian which had the audience in stitches, Romesh spoke about the importance of following your dreams and also about learning by failing.

Afterwards, he stayed behind to answer questions and have selfies taken with the pupils, who were clearly thrilled to have the chance to meet him. Overall, it was a hugely entertaining and enjoyable evening.



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