

HEADLINES

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Summer Term 2010 – July (2)

Headmaster's Speech to Prize Giving 2010

I'm standing on the staging which was used for last night's U6th form production of 'Fawlty Towers'. I feel like John Cleese, the demented Headmaster at the Prize Giving in Clockwise! You'll just have to ignore me if you see me later rubbing linseed oil on the school cormorant (or thrashing my car with a tree!)

Good morning everyone and officially welcome to the Homefield Prize Giving. Being Headmaster at Homefield this year has been, as usual, a wonderful privilege. It has been a year of vastly triumphant team and individual achievement and resounding external examination placement and success. This year, for example, between them, the staff and boys have produced a monumental final total of 29 awards which is, in fact, a school record! These comprise the little matter of 12 academic awards, 7 Music awards, 6 Art, Design and Technology awards, 3 Sport awards and 1 All-rounder award for Sport and Music. (And a partridge in a pear tree!) These awards are not an end in themselves but they are an external validation of the quality of what the boys and staff achieve and I would like at this point of the proceedings to give an officially minuted vote of approbation and audience appreciation to the Homefield staff and boys.

In many ways this has been a quite unique year! 15 boys have qualified for grammar schools. A record 37 boys in the U6th form have graduated to a record 19 senior schools. Raymond Yip has earned the unique tribute of an Academic award; an Art award and a Music award to King's. Matthew Carmedy has emulated Douglas Bader (who opened Homefield on this site on 6th July 1968), by winning an Academic scholarship to St Edward's School, Oxford. And Dennis Sun has earned a full King's Scholarship to Eton. This year in History, Dennis Sun and Raymond Yip finished in the top 100 nationwide in the Townsend Warner History Competition.

This year, in English, a record 73% of Homefield boys achieved the highest level 5 at Key Stage 2.

This year, in Drama, the English Department has produced three Nursery, Transition and Junior Department Christmas productions, a Junior Department Spring Term Production of 'The Goblin Next Door', a L6th form Shakespeare Festival Production of 'Richard III', and yesterday's fine U6th form production of 'Fawlty Towers'.



Junior Boys in 'The Goblin Next Door'

This year, in Maths, 78% of Homefield boys achieved the highest level 5 at Key Stage 2 and Hugh Brandreth and Nishant Bommaya won a Bronze Medal in the Junior Maths Challenge Olympiad.

This year, in French, boys throughout the Senior Department have exchanged letters, e-mails and recordings with French pen friends, have taken part in two school exchanges and French trips have taken place to Boulogne, Gouzeaucourt and Paris. The U6th Form, for the first time, enacted a French production of 'L'Avare' by Molière. Balraj Dhingra won 2nd place amongst 85 competitors in a French Public Speaking Competition at Lancing and Dennis Sun won an 'A' in French to Eton.



Dennis Sun celebrates his Scholarship success to Eton College

This year, in Classics, the U6th Form visited a production of Aeschylus' 'Oresteia'. Sam Yip was placed 1st in the Latin

Scholarship Exam to King's and Dennis Sun earned an 'A' grade for Greek at Eton.

This year, in the LRC the school has been visited by authors Tony Mitton and (now twice!) by Leeds Supporter, Tom Palmer. It has also held a hugely enjoyable Book Character Day and a World Book Fair. There are 7,520 resources available in the LRC and the total loans this year have been 8,277! The Best Borrower for the second year running was Haig Lucas with a staggering 496 books!

This year, in Sport, the Homefield Sports' Department competed in 177 Sports' fixtures against 19 different schools in 7 different Sports, at an average of five fixtures per week every term.



Homefield Table Tennis 2009

U11 'A' Team

Kobi Mintah, Jamie Hughes, Harry Sprunt, Nicholas Jelacic



This year, in Table Tennis, the U11 team won the Surrey School's Cup, represented Surrey in the English Schools' Competition and finished second in the Zone Final and the U11 team finished second to King's College Junior School in the Surrey League. The U13 side also finished second in the Surrey League.

This year, in Squash, Ben Adey, Nathan Inkester and Jamie Hughes were all selected to play for Surrey.

In Rugby, the Sports' Department staged a magnificent Primary Schools' Tag Rugby tournament. Homefield millennium gap student, Paul Hodgson, played at scrum half for England and the 1st XV rugby side won the National Preparatory Schools' Championship at Epsom College.

In soccer, the 1st XI soccer side, like England, lost the Surrey Cup Final after extra time on penalties.

This year, in Athletics, the Sports Department has staged 2 inter-school fixtures and 3 Departmental Sports' Days. The U13 Athletics side won the Epsom Superteams' Competition. Tishe Sokan won the Preparatory Schools Area Division 100 metres and Omar Malik, Daniel Park, Fola Oki and the 4 x 100 relay team qualified for the Preparatory Schools' National Finals. The relay team and Fola each finished a mighty 4th. Amazingly, seven long-standing school records were broken by the senior boys.

This year, in Cricket, the school hosted a state school Sutton Cricket Club Festival for the third time. Umar Ahmed has captained the Surrey County Team and Sai Patel, Jaimin Patel and Joshua Vincent have each represented their county.

This year, in Tennis, Homefield Old Boy, Tom Farquharson, won the U18 boys doubles title at Wimbledon. (Mr Strong says that he taught Tom everything he knows!)

This year, in Golf, Homefield Old Boy, Ross McGowan and former Sports' scholarship winner to Epsom, finished 12th in the European Order of Merit.

In Badminton, Omar Malik represented the U15 Surrey side and finished runner up in the Surrey U13 mixed doubles and boys' doubles.

This year, in Cross Country, 14 boys in the 3rd, 4th, U4th and 5th Forms represented the school in the Sutton and District Athletics Club.

In Orienteering, the Homefield team finished runners-up in the District Secondary Schools' Orienteering Competition.

This year, in Cycling, boys and Homefield families have undertaken cycle proficiency courses run by Trevor Lenthall and two Homefield teams reached the final of the Sutton Cycling Competition. Last week, boys in the 3rd Year inaugurally opened the recently installed Homefield cycling track.



Inaugural ride on the Homefield cycle track

Homefield has received resounding successes in Chess. The school team won the 4th division in the Bryant Poulter League, defeating senior schools such as KCS, Trinity and Sutton Grammar School. The U9 team has just finished 2nd in the English Primary Schools' Association League and the U11 team has just finished 4th out of 160 schools. The school team won the National Preparatory Schools' Award at Aldro and Homefield chess players achieved the astonishing tally of 11 individual prize winners at the British Land Competition Mega Finals. Mrs Bradley and the Homefield chess players have spent 6 days travelling to the finals of three national competitions this week and yesterday the British Chess Educational Trust awarded Homefield its official national first prize!!! As in chess notation I've just labeled that piece of news with three exclamation marks. This signifies 'GOOD MOVE'.

This year, the Music Department has staged 5 Year Group Concerts and a House Music Festival with an astounding 90 performances.

On Tuesday, it staged a Senior Department Music Concert featuring 22 pieces and 12 musical ensembles. This week, the Homefield Composers' Ensemble appeared in the Final of the Music For Youth Competition. They composed a special 8 minute piece for piano, guitar, clarinets, trumpet and viola and the boys were presented with a special award. An array of Homefield boys have performed in choirs and orchestras at

Epsom College and St John's and have delighted parents with performances in both Junior and EYU productions of 'The Nativity', 'Toby's Christmas Dream' and 'Are We There Yet!' In the Autumn Term, the Music Department also led a Community workshop for local schools and performed a choral concert in the St Nicholas' Shopping Centre. More than 100 pupils have taken formal Music examinations and in May there were 6 passes, 27 merits and 25 distinctions.

This year, in the world of Charities, the Homefield Association, under the wise guidance of its committee and its charming chairperson, Mrs Rahman, has continued its unrivalled service to the school. It has staged its usual vast array of social and fundraising initiatives including Coffee Mornings and a Fun Run in which over 150 boys ran over 1500 laps.

We all enjoyed the thrills of a magnificent fireworks party and a sizeable number of parents embarked on a pre-Christmas shopping trip to Harrods. A 'web-shop' has been introduced and the Association organized a festive Christmas Fayre and a closely contended Quiz Evening. The Summer highlights were the lavish 'Bollywood Night', held at the prestigious Epsom Racecourse and the grand Fun Day. I thank them all mightily for their service to the school and am most grateful for their hard work and support.



'The Bollywood Bash'

The boys staged a Spellathon and Skipathon and the Music Department's Toddler Music Workshop initiative contributed a sizeable fund to nominated charities. The Forsdick and Sharma brothers raised £141 with cake sales and Alex Howat and Hugo Brown staged the world premier of their animated film in aid of the Teenage Cancer Trust. A school disco raised over £700 for sports equipment for cricket teams in Sri Lanka. Mr Till is finalizing preparations with his family to work with our partner school, St Anthony's, for three weeks in the summer. Boys throughout the school have enriched the lives of school children in Angola, Malawi and Sri Lanka. Over £7,000 was raised by the Homefield family last year which is to be mightily applauded!

This year, in the world of Ecology, boys throughout the school have won first place in three successive Wow competitions against local schools. The boys in the 6th Form earned a prize-winning visit from the breakfast team at Kiss FM and the Eco-council ran an assembly for the boys in the Junior and Senior Department.

This year, the school has produced a renewed Green Travel Plan and qualified to register with the Eco-school organisation. This year, during the school inspection, the Eco-Council entertained the Head of Fire Safety and Ecology at the House of Commons.



Mrs Simmonds, Head of Fire Safety and Ecology, visits Homefield School

A reunion dinner was held this week for Old Boys and Friends of Homefield with no less than 85 guests, young and old. In the words of one of those attending, "It was just lovely to see so many of you relax and enjoying renewing friendships whether recent or remote".

Small wonder then that in March, the ISI inspectors found that;

"Homefield is a vigorous and friendly community."

"The welcoming atmosphere ensures that all are welcomed and valued".

"Pupils at Homefield develop into highly educated and informed young students thoroughly prepared for the next stages of their lives".

"Teachers are very effective in preparing pupils for the vital entry scholarships they take".

"Pupils' personal development is outstanding".

"Pupils demonstrate outstanding, spiritual, moral, social and cultural awareness".

"Pupils' social development is outstanding".

And, perhaps, most pleasing judgment of all:

"Throughout the school pupils show outstanding maturity in their attitudes and are often prodigiously well-informed".

Ladies and Gentlemen, Guest Speaker, Staff, Parents and Boys, yes I think I can say that it has been a quite unique year!

And finally, just before I close, this year, in November, the Homefield Common Room learned with sorrow of the sudden death in Scotland, of my first Deputy Headmaster, and long-serving servant to Homefield, Tony Packwood. Our prayers are with Maggie, his wife, and with their children Gavin and Kirsty.

On Sunday members of the Homefield Common Room were privileged to attend the ordination of former Head of Music, Mr Goode, whilst today, at this Prize Giving, we bid a formal farewell to Mrs Asbridge, Mrs Grange and to Mrs Lynch, who will not all be retiring but aiming for fresh adventures and

pastures anew. I thank them deeply for their loyal service to the school and for all that they have done for your children's young lives.

And with that, Ladies and Gentlemen, I ask you to give the Homefield staff a thunderous round of applause. It is they who have staged the vast array of activities and achievements which I have described, together with the little matter of 28 Parents' evenings and 29 trips.

And so I conclude my review of this unique Homefield year with a quote from the Roman author Ovid. It's written to a potential girlfriend who he's been chatting up at the Chariot Races but the sentiments convert elsewhere. It applies to all those who are leaving the school today and moving on to the next stage of their lives. It goes 'Hoc satis hic!' (That's enough for here!). 'Alio cetera redde loco!' (Show us the rest of what you can do!) - at your next school.

Mr P R Mowbray

**Prize Giving
9th July 2010**

Prize Winners 2010

Name	Form	Prize
Alexander Sun	L4th	English
Shrey Sachdeva	L4th	Maths
Charles Davies	L4th	Science
Sanjay Patel	L4th	French
Vivek Desai	L4th	Latin
Imran Shaikh	L4th	Geography
Alfie Watkins	L4th	History
Luke Saitch	L4th	RE
Haig Lucas	L4th	Technology
Oliver Hemsley	L4th	Art
Jinseong Yi	L4th	ICT
Fahd Khan	L4th	L4H Pearson Cup for Endeavour
Jonathan Mendes	L4th	L4S Porter Cup for Endeavour
Rohit Prabhu	U4th	English
Prashast Vir	U4th	Maths
Yasith Senanayke	U4th	Science
Michael Banh	U4th	French
Prashast Vir	U4th	Latin
Oliver Hilton	U4th	Geography
George Merecieca	U4th	History
Rohan Bahl	U4th	RE
Alexander Peachey	U4th	Technology
Luke Gonsalves	U4th	Art
Jamie Lynch	U4th	ICT
Ravi Nair	U4th	U4H Endeavour
Archie Otley	U4th	U4S Endeavour
Tommy Highwood	5 th	English
Nikhil Fernandes	5 th	Maths
Charles Bland	5 th	Science
Shaneel Mungul	5 th	French
Charles Bland	5 th	Latin
Harry Goddard	5 th	Geography
George Henning	5 th	History
Evan Wang	5 th	RE
Zeb Bond	5 th	Technology
Alexander Howat	5 th	Graham Sutherland Prize for Art

Bhavish Ruparelia	5 th	ICT
Paul Dalby	5 th	5H Endeavour
Joshua Glanville	5 th	5P Endeavour
Samuel Duroshola	5 th	5S Endeavour
Henry Pope	5 th	5S Endeavour
Nicholas Jelcic	L6th	English
Nishant Bommayya	L6th	Maths
Hugh Brandreth	L6th	Science
Joshua Vincent	L6th	French
Nathan Inkester	L6th	Latin
Dominic D'Mello	L6th	Geography
Nathan Inkester	L6th	History
Joshua Vincent	L6th	RE
Rushil Patel	L6th	Technology
Jonathan Coekin	L6th	Art
Jamie Hughes	L6th	Music
Marcus Melconian	L6th	ICT
Christopher Allen	L6th	L6H Endeavour
Thomas Gunningham	L6th	L6H Endeavour
Ju-Hyeok Park	L6th	English
Khalil Baoku	L6th	Maths
Ju-Hyeok Park	L6th	Science
Khalil Baoku	L6th	French
Sam Goodman	L6th	Latin
Peter O'Brien	L6th	Geography
Sam Goodman	L6th	History
Adam Araim	L6th	RE
Huw Morgan	L6th	Music
David Sandler	L6th	ICT
Ben Adey	L6th	L6S Endeavour
Harry Sprunt	L6th	L6S Endeavour
Christopher Hart	U4th	Dorothy Allen Middle School Prize for Music
Benjamin Forsdick	U4th	Middle School Prize for Musical Endeavour
Jonathan Marsh	U4th	Middle School Prize for Drama
Konrad Zielinski	L4th	Percival Cup for Best U9 Sport
Tishe Sokan	U4th	Best U10 Sport
Jack Hopper	5 th	Best U11 Sport
Jasper Pittam	5 th	Peter Bouchard Cup for Improvement in Rugby
Jack Hopper	5 th	Broe Trophy for Cricket
Nicholas Jelcic	L6th	John Erskine Prize for Chess
Hugh Brandreth	L6th	Harry Stephenson Cup for General Knowledge
Colin Tribe	U6th	Mrs Green's Prize for Progress
Harry Hovell	U6th	Howell Prize for Endeavour
Ken Hiraga	L4th	EAL Prize for Progress and Endeavour
Matthew Carmedy	U6th	Butler Prize for English
Faraaz Khan	U6th	Prize for CE English
Raymond Yip	U6th	Scholarship Essay Prize
George Hewetson	U6th	CE Essay Prize
Samuel Yip	U6th	Mr Mody's Prize for Maths
Rahul Pugalia	U6th	Prize for CE Maths
Qasim Afghan	U6th	Cook Cup for Science
Jack Tyler	U6th	Stuart McTavish Prize for Science

Dennis Sun	U6th	Mr Jones Prize for French
Sherharyar Saleem	U6th	Mr Pollard's Prize for French
Samuel Yip	U6th	Raj Roy Prize for Latin
Alexander Bygate	U6th	Prize for CE Latin
Arjun Sharma	U6th	Horsburgh Prize for Geography
Tom Messent	U6th	Prize for CE Geography
Dennis Sun	U6th	Prize for Scholarship History
Freddie Meyers	U6th	Till Cup for History
Matthew Carmedy	U6th	Stuart Mann Prize for Scripture
Alexander Bygate	U6th	Prize for CE Scripture
Tom King	U6th	Sutherland Art Prize
Charlie Reed	U6th	Balcombe Prize for Art
Freddie Meyers	U6th	Dorothy Allen Prize for Music
Seungwoo Park	U6th	Max Hunter Prize for Music
Omar Malik	U6th	Prize for Scholarship Technology
Yathavan Sugirtharanjan	U6th	Prize for CE Technology
Balraj Dhingra	U6th	Prize for Scholarship ICT
Asaph Quayson	U6th	Prize for CE ICT
William Hykin	U6th	Prize for CE ICT
Joseph Forsdick	U6th	Martin Hall Cup for Endeavour
George Hewetson	U6th	Martin Hall Shield for Endeavour
William Ferguson	U6th	Ben Leek Prize for Endeavour
Darius Sanjoori	U6th	Broughton Prize for Endeavour
Andrew Christopher	U6th	Broughton Prize for Endeavour
Nayaab Ali	U6th	Prize for U6S Endeavour
Benedict Tangney	U6th	Prize for U6S Endeavour
Balraj Dhingra	U6th	Perry Shield for Drama
Tom King	U6th	Prize for Best Supporting Actor
Samuel Yip	U6th	Broughton Prize for Sport Dedication
Fola Oki	U6th	King Shield for Improvement in Sport
Jack Tyler	U6th	Cahill Cup for Improvement in Sport
Omar Malik	U6th	Forsdike Cup for Very Good All-Round Sport
Umar Ahmed	L6th	Allen Trophy for Best Individual Cricketer
Cameron Crowley	U6th	Colin Cowdrey Cup for 1 st XI Cricket Captain
Daniel Park	U6th	Robinson Cup for Best All-Round Senior Sport
Hugo Brown	5 th	Eileen Slater Shield for Citizenship
Joseph Forsdick	U6th	Lesley Hilton Shield for Citizenship
Marko Ravic	U6th	Gladys Ellis Memorial Prize
Michael Vasili	U6th	Gladys Ellis Memorial Prize
James Scott	U6th	Epsom College Prize
Anthony Cheung	U6th	Epsom College Prize
Tom King	U6th	Nicholas Jeans' St John's Prize
Samuel Yip	U6th	King's College Prize for Maths
Samuel Yip	U6th	King's College Prize for Geography

Faraaz Khan	U6th	Galletly Cup for Best CE Result
Dennis Sun	U6th	Longmuir Cup for Best Scholar
Cameron Crowley	U6th	Head Boy's Cup
Joseph Forsdick	U6th	Head Boy's Cup
Dennis Sun	U6th	Head Boy's Cup



Cameron, Joseph and Dennis receive the Head Boys' Cup

House Points and No Misconducts

House	House Points	No misconducts
Bomfords 1	1. Rahul Pugalia 2. Huw Shopland 3. Ken Hiraga	C Allen, S Callaghan, E Povey, H Shopland, K Hiraga, D Pirabaharan, R Pugalia, A Srivastav
Bomfords 2	1. Amin Janjua 2. Samuel Smith 3. Rohan Bahl	A Araim, R Bahl, B Dhingra, O Hemsley, R Nair, S Sepanya, N Simmons, S Smith, D Sanjoori
Bomfords 3	1. Samuel Goodman 2. Colin Tribe 3. Balraj Dhingra	P Dalby, B Dhingra, W French, J Goodman, S Goodman, L Grant, O Hilton, G Hopkins, C Tribe
Bomfords 4	1. Anand Patel 2. Prashast Vir 3. Henry Pope	K Baoku, A Howat, H Hovell, N Kavanagh. D Mair, J Majeed, A Patel, H Pope, M Vasili, P Vir
Ellis 1	1. Charles Bland 2. Luke Saitch 3. Umar Ahmed	H Aboud, C Bland, J Forsdick, F Meyers, K Sharma
Ellis 2	1. Ben Forsdick 2. Wasee Rahman 3. Joshua Vincent	M Carmedy, D D'Mello, B Forsdick, G Hewetson, H Lucas, A Otley, P Patel, S Rahman, J Vincent
Ellis 3	1. Fahd Khan 2. Faraaz Khan and James Scott 3. Nicholas Jelcic	A Cheung, L Gonsalves, J Hopper, N Jelcic, Faraaz Khan, Fahd Khan, J Scott

Ellis 4	1. Imran Shaikh 2. Tom King 3. Mitchell Jenkins	M Jenkins, T King, J Marsh, C Sturgess- Taylor, B Ruparelia, I Shaikh, A Sharma, A Sun, D Sun
Grays 1	1. Evan Wang 2. William Dennis 3. Malin Dekas	C Bond, J Collar, M Dekas, W Dennis, R Rahman, C Reed, B Tangney, E Wang
Grays 2	1. Alfie Watkins 2. Tommy Highwood 3. Nishant Bommayya	N Bommayya, C Davies, T Highwood, J Hughes, J Lynch, S Park, S Saleem, D Sandler, H Sprunt, A Watkins
Grays 3	1. Konrad Zielinski 2. Ameer Afridid 3. Max Zockoll	A Afridi, W Hykin, F Oki, S Patel, R Prabhu, M Ravic, T Sokan, J Sokolowski, K Zielinski, M Zockoll
Grays 4	1. Nathan Inkester 2. Jonathan Mendes 3. Vivek Desai	A Cornish, V Desai, N Inkester, J Mendes, D Park, M Ruggeri,
Walfords 1	1. Nikhil Fernandes 2. Sai Patel 3. Noah Franklin	M Bowen-West, N Franklin, H Goddard, D Kalognomas, J O'Brien, P O'Brien, S Sachdeva
Walfords 2	1. Ashwin Sood 2. Naym Ali 3. George Mercieca	N Ali, R Cooke, M Melconian, G Mercieca, A Sood, J Tyler, A Yanamandra, S Yip,
Walfords 3	1. Sam Duroshola 2. Ju-Hyeok Park 3. Louis Brown and Alexander Bygate	L Brown, A Bygate, C Crowley, J Douglas, S Duroshola, A Khan, O Malik, J-H Park,
Walfords 4	1. Andrew Christopher 2. George Henning 3. Yasith Senanayke	N Ali, A Ceesay, A Christopher, T Gunningham, G Henning, Y Malik, J McGhee, R Patel, Y Senanayke

The Homefield Association

This year has whizzed by and what a fun filled and sociable year it has been!

The Homefield Association commenced 2009 with the MacMillans 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' on 25th September, raising £245 for MacMillan Cancer Support. This was one of many coffee mornings where parents could enjoy a coffee with friends and browse the stalls attending, and all proceeds were donated to charity. December's coffee morning raised £227 for Save the Children; in February the Haiti morning raised £450 and in March £140 was donated to Help a Hero. These were just some of the charities chosen by the boys for us to support this year.

The Homefield Fireworks Display on 6th November was extremely well attended by children, parents and local residents despite the rain. Mr Grace and his team provided hot food and refreshments whilst the children glowed in the dark. The

fireworks to music were spectacular and Mr Till's commentary once again amusing!



The Homefield Family celebrates at the Fireworks Display

The Christmas Shopping Trip to Harrods set off on 27th November where the Homefield Shoppers soaked up the atmosphere, enjoyed a spot of lunch and shopped until they dropped! The Christmas preparations were also underway at school with the sale of Northbrook Wrapping and the delicious Plum Puddings, and the opening of the Homefield Association Webshop at www.buy.at/homefield.

The Christmas Fayre was a fun and festive event for the boys – Santa visited in his new outfit and even posed for photos! The boys bargain hunted on the stalls and the cakes were devoured. This year's jam jar competition created much excitement in the EYU and Junior departments and contributed to the colourful displays on the day.



The well-attended Christmas Fayre

The Raffle table was swamped with boys, siblings and parents buying tickets all afternoon. The Xbox 360 Elite top prize created huge excitement, but so many children won prizes thanks to the generous donations of parents. A wonderful event to complete 2009!

The New Year of 2010 began with preparations for the Quiz Night on the 5th March. Teams gathered their expertise on general knowledge and trivia! The Quiz Master team of Sheran and Steph Bailey once again created a superb quiz of great variety and challenged everyone present. The winning table of The Robin Reliants (hugely supported by Mrs Mapp I am told!) proudly displayed their winner's Trophy in reception throughout March.

The Quiz Night raised £720 and the Homefield Association was fortunate to have a Match Fund opportunity from Fiona Freeman of Barclays Corporate to equal the funds raised. The total of £1400 has contributed towards the purchase of a new Stereo Sound System for the hall, for concerts and shows.

The Fun Run held at Sutton and Epsom Rugby club on the 15th May, was blessed with sunshine and 156 boys and siblings ran in aid of Cancer Research and The Royal Marsden Hospital. The optional obstacle course and less optional water squirts

added to the fun and the total funds raised were a record £2895.13! Well done to all the runners!

The Bollywood Bash on 26th June provided an opportunity for parents and staff to socialise towards the end of a busy year and be transported to the world of Bollywood. As you may have read in last week's Headlines the highlight of the evening has to be the Homefield Community taking over the stage and dancing some Bollywood moves under the guidance of Showmi Das. The evening raised a magnificent £3500, and on behalf of the Homefield Association I would like to thank all those for attending and supporting this fun evening.



Everyone enjoyed the Homefield Fun Day!

The Fun Day on Thursday 8th July will have taken place by the time you receive these Headlines but we hope the boys enjoy the day and are suitably rewarded for their charitable endeavors throughout the year.

It has been a wonderful year of activity and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with such an enthusiastic and talented group of parents on The Homefield Association. Thank you all for your support!

I would also like to thank the class parent representatives for their support with these events and for assisting communication to all parents. The success of all the social events relies on parental support and I am grateful to everyone who has helped in any way with any event – from the cake stall at the Christmas Fayre to the Marshalls at the Fun Run – Thank you!

On Behalf of the Homefield Association I wish you a warm and restful Summer Break.

Nicola Rahman
(Chairperson of Homefield Association)
rahmannicola@yahoo.com

Charity News Summer Term

Once again it has been a splendid year of fund raising. Particular highlights have been the collections for Haiti arranged by the boys and the coffee mornings that helped to boost funds for the earthquake appeal. We also had a very successful cake sale organised by The Forsdick and the Sharma brothers which netted £141 for 'Smile Train'. Another excellent initiative was the 'world premiere' of the fabulous animated films created by Alex Howat and Hugo Brown. The film showing raised £77.45 which was donated to the 'Teenage Cancer Trust'. My thanks and congratulations to them both for their splendid efforts.



Intrepid Fun Runners raise money for 'The Royal Marsden' and 'Help for Heroes'

The Fun Run was another splendid event, magnificently organised, as always, by the Homefield Association. There was a very impressive turn out and I understand that the event raised over £1,500 for the 'Royal Marsden' and 'Help for Heroes'.

Generous closing collections from the Christmas Concert and the Junior productions have helped us raise much needed money for our continued support of the 'Children's Trust' in Tadworth.

The disco was very well attended and the £700 raised was used by St Anthony's to purchase sports equipment and to help sponsor and enable the pupils to take part in cricket matches against local schools.

The arrangements for my visit to visit our twin school St Anthony's in Sri Lanka have moved on a pace. My sincere thanks to the Goodman family for their generous gift, it will be used to buy English language books for use in the school and to the Rahman family for donating a laptop. I know the school will be delighted to receive these generous gifts. My thanks also to the boys for the work they have produced for me to take out and use in my lessons.

My thanks also go to Mrs Sokoloski for running the toddler music workshops. Over the year she has collected over £100 which has been added to the proceeds from the Fun Run.

As a result we have collected over £ 7000 towards our charities this year. My thanks, as always, to the boys, parents and all the other members of the Homefield community for their continued generosity.

Mr M Till

Guide Dogs for the Blind

The Junior and EYU boys have done it again!

They have collected over £1,000 for the Guide Dogs for the Blind Charity. This means that another little puppy can begin its training to be a Guide Dog.

It is quite amazing how quickly the coins become hundreds of pounds, and I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all the boys and parents for remembering their 'Guide Dogs' money each week.

We can look forward to a visit from Mrs Butler and her guide dog, Major, in September.

Mrs Lesley Hilton

The Early Years' Unit

The Kindergarten

It doesn't seem possible that we are at the end of another school year. We have taken a journey on foot, road, rail and sea, finishing with air and outer space in our topic of TRANSPORT. The boys have enjoyed making paper aeroplanes, stunt planes and skydivers. They have tested them outside making good use of the lovely weather. We have also carried out air experiments using bubbles, balloons and coloured streamers. We have some budding gardeners in the Kindergarten, as with their tender care we have eaten strawberries they have grown, and are at present nurturing radishes, tomatoes, carrots, and watching how tall the sunflowers are growing.

Our outing to Horton Park Farm was a huge success owing to the generosity of the parents who kindly escorted their son. We all enjoyed looking at the different animals, the tractor ride, picnic and especially the adventure playground. We all had a lovely morning. Thank you mums and dads for your help.

Once again the sun shone on Sports Day. We were so proud of the boys as they took part in this event. Well done boys for your fantastic achievements.

We both hope everyone has a happy, sunny and restful Summer holiday.

Mrs Grange and Miss Edwards

The Nursery

We have had a very busy final half term in the Nursery, the year has gone so quickly.

The boys have continued to learn through a whole range of activities.

This half term our topic has been food. The boys have made bread, fruit kebabs and inspired by the story 'Handa's Surprise' we have tasted the fruit from the story. Many thanks to the parents for the food from different cultures around the world, the boys and staff have been willing to try unknown foods and to their surprise found that they even liked some of them!

A visit to the Ladyland Farm gave the boys an opportunity to discover where some of the food we eat comes from – not the local supermarket, this being the most popular answer when the question was asked! As well as seeing the traditional farmyard animals sheep, cows etc. the surprise of the day was to see Larry the Lama which many boys thought was a camel without a hump. We were very privileged to have our picnic in the farms secret garden with its lovely flowers. One of the highlights of the day was the tractor ride very much enjoyed by the boys.



Mr Dawkins visits the EYU to instruct the boys on Beekeeping

Yet again the weather was on our side for Sports Day. The boys behaved and performed brilliantly, we hope you had an enjoyable afternoon.

We have had a fantastic year in nursery, with so many fun experiences. We wish the boys every success in their move to their new classes.

Have a great summer, may the sun keep shining.

Miss Kingsford, Mrs Muller, Mrs Evans and Mrs Petitti



Transition

We can hardly believe that our first year in 'big boys' school is over. We have become so grown up and confident, we are definitely ready for Year 1! Throughout the year we have learnt

ALL our sounds, lots of key words, to read, to write using the cursive style, our numbers and how to behave well in school.

During the Summer Term we have enjoyed lots of time to explore and learn new things outside as well as practising what we have already learnt. We are sure our parents are all very proud to see how much we have improved since September after looking at our fantastic work.

Some of our favourite memories throughout the year have been: Firework Night at Homefield, our Nativity play Toby's Drum, when Santa came to visit, Easter Bunny egg hunt, hatching out and looking after our chicks, our trip to Bird World and Sports Day!

We have all loved our time in Transition and look forward to many more exciting years in Homefield School.

Transition boys on behalf of Mrs Whiteway and Miss Waddy

Photographs

Photographs of the boys at the EYU Sports Day can be viewed at www.penuelphotography.co.uk. Go to 'your images' and 'EYU Sports'. The password is 'Homefield EYU'.

The Junior Department

As another year draws to a close we look back on a busy and fun packed time in the Junior Department. We welcomed a number of new boys to the Department in September but now it is hard to realise that they are just completing their first year with us! Another new member of the department in September was Miss Buchanan, who has become a very valued member of our team. The new structure of the third year meant that Mr Murani joined the Junior Department in September and we have all really enjoyed working with him. Mrs Crowley has been a great help to us since she joined the department in her support role.

We are sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Lynch after many years at Homefield. She will be missed by us all and we are most grateful for all she has done. We wish her well for the future and are sure that she will be back to visit us.

We were delighted to hear of the safe arrival of Annabel Valentine in September. She brought her mother to the dress rehearsals of our productions at Christmas and in the Summer and seemed to really enjoy both of them!

The First Year

Where has this last half term gone? It is incredible to think that the boys have completed a whole year with us! Looking back over the year, we are thrilled with all the boys have achieved. Their confidence and independence has grown and they are now ready for the next stage of their school career.

The highlight of this half term, for both staff and boys, must be the trip to Hever Castle. In the days leading up to the Thursday we were constantly thinking about the weather and boys were coming into school with daily forecasts promising good weather. Fortunately, the people at the Met office were correct and we had a lovely sunny day- the only reason the boys got wet was due to their antics in the water maze! The guides who showed us round the castle were very impressed by the boys' knowledge and level of interest - we obviously have some budding historians! We are most grateful to the adults who accompanied us on that day.



The picturesque, historic Hever Castle

Henry VIII visited Hever Castle and there were lovely rooms – Rizwan Hatimi

We learnt what they used to warm up King Henry VIII's bed – Shafi Hussain

I liked looking at the models of Henry VIII and his six wives – Kheyana Patel

The water maze was good fun and I was soaking wet! – Shwan Saeed

I know how the Tudors used to eat their food – Kwabena Sarpong

I learnt that Henry VIII had six wives – Abbas Abedi

My favourite part was having the picnic on the grass in the shade - Callum Jopling

I found out how the Portcullis goes up and down – Yusuf Surty

The boys were very proud to show all their work to their visitors on Open Afternoon. They have approached all subjects with enthusiasm and determination and praise was justly due.

My Mum enjoyed looking at my work – Jami Flatley

My Mum and my Grandma had two lots of work to enjoy because my twin brother is also in the first year! – Yaw Sarpong

My Grandparents thought my work was great! – Indi Kulkarni

I loved showing my Mummy the Science lab – Adam Hitchens

I liked it when I showed my dad the second year – Oliver Lobb-Rossini

My Daddy's favourite bit was looking at my Literacy book – Eshan Kesvani

I showed my Mummy the robots upstairs – Seza Reisoglu

I liked showing my Mummy my Science work – Thomas Edwards

I loved showing my mummy all my work during Open Afternoon – Lorenzo Morreale

Sports Day was another happy occasion. The boys arrived at school full of anticipation of the day ahead, and we were proud of the way they all rose to the occasion. All races went without a hitch and the Summer Holiday race made us think about some relaxing times ahead!



My favourite was the obstacle race. It was great! – Jamie Jones
I loved the running race - Tife
The sack race is definitely my favourite – James Vandrau
I loved the relay race as I got to run with my friends – Joel
I loved having my mum and my sister watching my race – Ra'id
I had fun doing the novelty race - Joshua
I enjoyed watching everyone race. It was great fun cheering everyone on! - Gerard

It's been a great year and we have thoroughly enjoyed having these boys in our classes. The following are a few of their thoughts about their time with us.

In the first year I enjoyed all the Maths – Dillon Patel
I liked doing Literacy work in the First Year – James Mercieca
Doing Heinemann Maths was fun – Joe Cronje
The Games lessons were fun – Freddie Cornwell
I liked everything about the First Year! – Ibraheem Baig
Writing stories was great fun – Henry Mawson
Playtimes on the adventure playground were the best! – Zaki Raza
I liked learning about old and new boats – Han Declercq
Counting past twenty was fun – Taslim Ali
It made me very happy when the boys sang to me at assembly on my birthday – Alex Morris
Making wind machines was fun – Joe D'Mello
I liked doing English and it was fun- James Mendes
I really enjoyed the trip to Hever Castle – Indi Kulkarni
I loved doing all the different Art work – Samuel Shorrocks
I enjoyed illustrating all my work – Jonathan Kim
I enjoyed all the clubs, especially Judo – Gabriel Cotton
I liked learning about black and white – Jamie Flatley
I really loved working with my friends during Science – Philippe Pioli
I really love it when I get stickers for my album – Sahil Kohli
I loved the Games lessons, especially when we played Cricket –

Anirudh Saravanakumar

Being the Homefield Hero was the best! – Dameer Ahmed

We wish all boys and their families a lovely summer holiday and look forward to hearing about the boys' continued success next year.

Mrs F Goodbody, Mrs J Gunningham and Miss Buchanan

The Second Year

Suddenly, the end of another term and year is upon us. How the boys have grown during our year together! There is no doubt that they are ready to be the top boys in the Junior Department. Indeed they had a chance to enjoy a flavour of Year 3 on 'Moving-Up Morning' when they visited the Third Year and heard all about the exciting challenges they will meet in Year 3.

Open Afternoon was a busy and sticky event this year. The boys showed off the amazing amount of work completed this year with great enthusiasm and pride. It is always a treat to listen in, as boys reveal so much knowledge and understanding about the topics.

Sports day was a wonderful example of team spirit and good sportsmanship. All the boys enjoyed taking part.

It has been a splendid year for school trips. The boys behaved beautifully on the two outings and learned a lot from them whilst having loads of fun. Visiting the Natural History Museum was a new trip trialled this year with Year 2. A definite success, we hope to repeat the outing next year.

The boys had a fantastic time at Gatton Park on 2nd July, putting their maths knowledge and skills into practice to solve several challenges and problems.



Year 2 boys have a wonderful time at Gatton Park

The clubs continue to be a great success in the second year with virtually every boy attending at least one and some several after school activities. Well done to all who have participated so conscientiously. We're delighted the boys are enjoying them so much.

We are sad to bid farewell to Oliver Grimond and James Freeman. We wish them every success in their new schools and hope they will keep in touch.

It has been a wonderful and enjoyable year. Everybody has worked hard and the boys are now ready for a well earned rest and holiday. Come back safely next term and have a happy summer.

Mrs Lyndham, Mrs Burgess and Mrs Connaughton

The Third Year

Some boys were only too happy to return to school this half term because on their first week back they had some cricket fixtures. The first match was against Chinthurst, the second one was against The Mall and finally Willington. We sent a group of enthusiastic cricketers and the boys played well in all the fixtures with some very close matches (see more in Mr Pearce's report)!



*The beautiful and historic
Nonsuch Mansion in Cheam*

The year three annual visit to Nonsuch Mansion took place as always and we were very fortunate with the weather. The friends of Nonsuch Mansion guided the boys around the Service Wing. They showed us all the rooms and gadgets that the servants would have used to do their jobs in the scullery, kitchen, dairy, larders and laundries. After a long morning of concentrating, the boys enjoyed a relaxed picnic in the park, with games. During the visit, the boys showed a great interest, learned a lot and they can be commended on their excellent behaviour. It was also amazing the amount of detail the boys remembered when we had discussions about the Victorians in the following days.

The boys were treated to a wonderful Fun Afternoon at which they bounced, slid, kicked and wrestled to their hearts content. Even now, some bear the remains of the tattoos! We had a very busy couple of days in the third week of half term. Wednesday was "Moving Up Day" for the year three boys. They were treated to a morning in the Senior Department. They learned about the routines for the Lower Fourth and had three 'taster' lessons with the some senior teachers. The same afternoon saw the "Open Afternoon". Many boys enjoyed showing their years' work to their parents and other visitors. They had a lot to show off!



Boys of all ages enjoy the Fun Afternoon

Junior Department Sports Day caused great excitement and all boys enjoyed competing. The Third Years had a house relay rather than a class relay. It was a gripping race that was won by Bomfords. The third year race which was most eagerly anticipated, was the hurdles race. We were very impressed by their hurdling technique. All the boys tried their best and were good sports. Well done, boys.

We have all enjoyed our classes this year and they have been a lovely year group to work with. The boys have worked extremely hard all year and we are very proud of their individual achievements. Special congratulations go to Rahul Desai for being awarded the Gathercole Shield for always behaving like a Homefield Hero and to Harry Messent who received the Hilton Cup for great progress in reading. We will be keeping a close eye on all the boys next year as they are just down the hallway. Good luck boys we will miss you!

The third years have one good bye to say. So to Joseph Harmsworth and family, you will be missed and we wish them well!

We hope you have a safe and happy Summer holiday and a well deserved rest!!

Mr Medley and Mr Murani

Homefield Heroes

1H Joel Ajay – for being a polite and enthusiastic member of 1H. Well done Joel!

1P Taslim Ali – for being a kind and thoughtful member of 1P. Well done Taslim!

1S Oliver Lobb- Rossini – for being brave and sensible after a fall. Well done Oliver!

2H Humza Rafi – for excellent progress throughout the year. Well done, Humza!

2P Gus Bradford – for being a scholar and a gentleman in Mrs Burgess's absence.

2S Adam Attal – for focusing on his school work and being helpful and cheerful in class.

3H Dharan Pirabaharan – for improving his reading and organization skills. Keep it up, Dharan!

3H Matthew Scott – for improving his reading and organization skills. Keep it up, Matthew!

3H Joseph Harmsworth – for being a wonderful member of 3H. You are kind, helpful and friendly to others. We will really miss you at Homefield!

3S Zac Gray – for improvement in reading and organization. Well done, Zac!

Other Certificates

1S Matthew Thomas – 50m swimming award

Photographs

Photographs of the boys at the Junior Sports Day can be viewed at www.penuelphotography.co.uk. Go to 'your images' and 'Homefield Junior Sports Day'. The password is 'juniors'.

English Department

The English Department was fortunate enough to enjoy a highly successful year in which special mention must be made of Dennis Sun, Matthew Carmedy and Faraaz Khan, the two former obtaining excellent Scholarship results for Eton and St Edwards respectively while Faraaz enjoyed an unbroken string of A-s for all subjects, including English in his St Paul's exam. The U6th form leavers play this year was 'Fawly Towers'. Tom King was excellent as Sybil Fawly while Balraj Dhingra was suitably manic as Basil. Terry the Chef was ably played by Cockney card Faraaz Khan and the complaining customers, Mr and Mrs Johnson, were suitably played by Darius Sanjoori and Omar Malik. Rahul Pugalia was a suitably disgruntled Miss Hare, as was his/ her friend George Hewetson as Miss Gurke. Raymond Yip and Arjun Sharma were the long-suffering guests Mr and Mrs Arad whilst Qasim Afghan was suitably incompetent as Manuel. Polly was ably played by Ben Tangney while special mention must be mentioned of the outstanding performance by Matthew Carmedy as Mr Hamilton, ably supported by Cameron Crowley as his wife. Joseph Forsdick was a wonderful Major Gowan and special mention must be made of Miss Tibbs and Miss Gatsby, played by Daniel Park and Will Hykin.

Special music was wonderfully written and performed by Dennis Sun, Freddie Meyers, Alex Bygate and William Ferguson.

Lights were operated by Fola Oki and James Scott.

The well organised props managers were Charlie Reed and Asaph Quayson. Special thanks go to Smoke Machine Operator and Special Effects Manager, Colin Tribe, as to the Stage Crew: Tom Messent, Sheru Saleem, James Scott, Nayab Ali, Michael Vasili, Harry Hovell, Anthony Cheung and Yathavan Sugirtharanjan.

Blessed with the patience of a saint was the prompter, Andrew Christopher.

Thanks to Mr Girdler and Mr Meyers for their kind assistance and the Estates staff who worked their magic erecting the scenery.

Mr M Brett

Learning Resources Centre

The year got off to a great start with visits from two talented authors in October. Tony Mitton visited all the boys in the Early Years' Unit and the Junior Department where he met with an enthusiastic welcome.



Tony Mitton meets Yaw and Kwabena Sarpong from the Junior Department

The boys in the Senior Department had a visit from the author Tom Palmer, the highlight of each session being a penalty shoot out! Tom returned as our guest speaker at the end of year prize-giving.



Tom Palmer visits the Senior Department

We held another fantastic Book Character Day, where boys showed their creative flair with some really original costumes. In March, to celebrate World Book Day, we held a very successful Book Fair.

On World Book Day the whole school took part in ERIC – Everyone Reads In Class. Boys in Upper 6th Form read to all the classes in the EYU and Juniors and did a fantastic job. The rest of the school were silently enjoying their books which created a lovely atmosphere in school.

Mrs K Merryman

Art

New School Ties

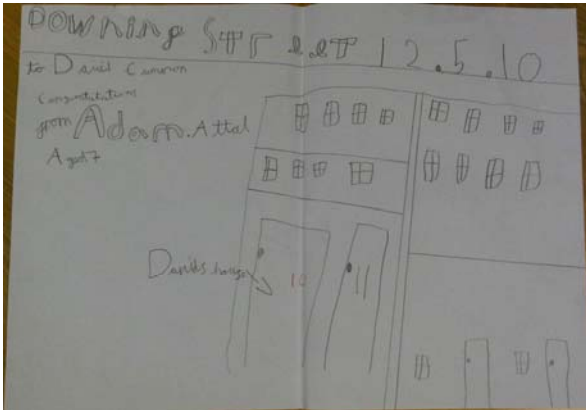
It was an exciting project to design a set of ties for boys at Homefield. My approach was that every boy earns stripes as he becomes more senior. So, one stripe for the Junior Department, two stripes for Lower Fourth- Fifth Form and three stripes for Lower Sixth and Upper Sixth. All the stripes are in our traditional House colours, on a maroon background with the Homefield Crest in the bottom corner. I hope you all enjoy wearing these new ties.



Jamie Hughes with his award-winning designs
Jamie Hughes, L6H - Grays: three green stripes !

News from Downing Street

Adam Attal in Year 2, recently sent his picture of Downing Street to David Cameron and received this charming letter and an activity pack. Well done, Adam!



Adam's picture, submitted to David Cameron



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From the Direct Communications Unit

18 June 2010

Adam Attal
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Dear Adam

I am writing on behalf of the Prime Minister to thank you for your excellent drawing.

It is good of you to get in touch. Mr Cameron very much appreciates the time and trouble you have taken and has asked me to send you an activity pack for you to enjoy.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely

MR S CAINE

Letter received from No 10 Downing Street

Sustainability and Cycling

Thank you very much to my eco-council members who have helped me this year to develop Homefield 's progress towards achieving our sustainable aims.

Please read Rohan Bahl's comprehensive report below.

Since Rohan wrote his report, we have held the first of Homefield Cycling championship, opened this year to the 3rd years. Thirty two boys decided to take part, each entering a "catch up" race in pairs. All the participants received a present and the overall winner, Sam Heape, was presented with the "Homefield Cycling competition" trophy at the end of year Junior Assembly.



Sam receives his cycling trophy

Trevor Lenthal, the cycling club coach, led an assembly to reiterate to the boys the importance of wearing a helmet when cycling.



Trevor Lenthal, our cycling coach stressing the importance of safe cycling

We are hoping to continue running the cycling after-school clubs next year and make the most of our new cycle path.

The school has tried to encourage parents, boys and staff to walk to school or walk and stride this year. As part of the Big WoW week in May, boys were encouraged to write a poem telling us how they felt as they walked to school.

I am delighted that 3 Juniors boys were awarded a Commended certificate; they are:

Kiran Lee, Yaw Sarpong, Patrick Smith.

In the Senior Department, 5 boys were commended; they are: Charles Bland, Max Bowen West, Joseph Collar, George Henning and Miran Saeed.

We also have a Competition winner who receives a £10 voucher, and this is Charles Davies. Congratulations, Charles! Finally thank you very much for supporting the WoW initiative.
Mrs S White

The Homefield Eco-Council

Dear Reader

As you are aware, the eco-council have been making the school a more eco-friendly place, by building things like the cycle track and encouraging pupils to walk or do the park and stride. This year has been very successful, we have won many awards for walking to school, Kiss FM came to visit the Upper 6th form as they had the most people walking to school, we also won a award for the most people walking for all the juniors and seniors . We were given some goodies for the pupils, a digital camera for the school and a trophy – what a result!



Kiss FM visit Homefield!

We have also grown a garden in the school from the Early Years Unit (EYU) garden which had no plants growing in there until now. We even had an Eco assembly for the juniors and the seniors to encourage walking to school. Mrs Simmonds, the person in charge of the environment and fire safety at the House of Commons, came to visit and talked about eco-friendly travel. A few months ago we did a massive tidy up around the school at break time to keep the school clean and smart.



The Big Tidy

In our meetings we have been talking about different eco-friendly forms of travel, such as the hydrogen powered car. We made posters and put them up around the school to encourage more walking to school. The lower 4th s have recently done a

local street audit to show the boys and the council what you can find whilst walking. The eco-council put together an eco-team to perform a play about walking to school. The eco council also ran a “what can you find whilst walking” competition and those who participated received a small eco goodie bag.



Finally, as I write, the 3rd Years are about to enjoy the first Homefield cycling competition on the new cycle track! And of course I forgot to mention the many cycle proficiency and after school cycling courses.

Thanks for all your support and have a great eco friendly year!

Reporter: Rohan Bahl U4S

Music 2009 -2010

This year has been a particularly successful in the music department. It was crowned by an excellent Summer Concert and an impressive performance by the boys in the composers’ Ensemble at the National finals of the Festival of Music for Youth in the Adrian Boult Hall in Birmingham. Raymond Yip, Konrad Cheung, Balraj Dhingra, Seungwoo Park, Freddie Meyers, Taeon Park and Dennis Sun had devised their own 8 minute composition for piano, guitar, 2 clarinets trumpet and viola – quite a feat for 13 year old boys!



Their talents particularly impressed the adjudicators and they were given a special award for student composition. We wait to hear if they will be selected to perform at the Schools Prom in the Albert Hall.



Concert preparation started back in October when the 3rd year boys worked with pupils from Manor Park and Robin Hood Schools in a vocal workshop led by Voces8. After rehearsing individually the three schools came together to give a rousing performance

in the top floor of the St Nicholas Centre to the delight and surprise of passing shoppers.

At Christmas EYU and junior boys thrilled their parents with productions of ‘The Nativity’, ‘Toby’s Christmas Drum’, ‘Are We Nearly There Yet?’ and the Senior boys wowed parents with a varied



selection of music such as: Little Donkey performed by the string orchestra, 'One Present Worth Opening' a song for rock band and voices by Dennis Sun, Darke's beautiful setting of 'In the Bleak Midwinter' for 3 part voices and 'Rudolph' played by the Jazz Orchestra.



Throughout the Spring and Summer Terms there have been Senior Year group Concerts given by the L4, U4, 5th and 6th Forms. With over 100 solo performances excellent Percussion Ensemble pieces prepared by Ms Allardyce, string group pieces rehearsed by Mrs Sokolowski and Songs sung by the whole year group, these concerts could not have failed to have delighted the audiences.



L4th Form boys visited Epsom College to sing at their Prep Schools Choral day and the Chamber choir sang Choral evensong at St John's School Leatherhead. The Chamber Choir were particularly impressive as they managed to successfully perform the Noble 'Magnificat and Nunc Dimitis' that the St John's choir had prepared for their own performance in Winchester cathedral.

Instrumentalists also visited St John's and the Homefield contingent was more numerous than any other participating school.

Instrumental music is very healthy at present and more than 100 Homefield pupils have taken exams this year. In the session held at school in May there were 25 passes with distinction 27 passes with Merit and 6 passes – a testament to the excellent standards of the candidates.

Music Scholarships and Awards 2009/2010

William Ferguson U6S

Music award Reigate Grammar School.

Harry Hovell U6S

Music Award Reed's School, Cobham.

Freddie Meyers U6P

Full Music Scholarship Trinity School, Croydon and City of London School.

Seungwoo Park

Grant aided place to the Purcell Specialist Music School

Taecon Park

Music Award Trinity School, Croydon.

Raymond Yip U6H

Music Award King's College, Wimbledon.

The summer term saw a departure from past practice and the 1st and 2nd Years performed a musical on their own. 'The Goblin Next Door' was a salutary tale of how difficult things can get without noise pollution officers! Fortunately in the end the Goblin saw the error of his ways and decided to behave responsibly without the need for an ASBO! The 1st and 2nd Years performed admirably, they all sang with gusto, and the Year 1s treated their audience to some delightful dance routines. I should also give a special mention to the amazing pixie band formed by 17 year 2 violinists who not only looked adorable in costume but sounded fantastic!

The 3rd Years performed their own concert; 30 boys performed solos, there were 2 performances by the Year 3 Percussion Ensemble and all of the boys participated in 3 recorder pieces that left the audience pleasantly surprised! This was all rounded off with a narrated and costumed performance of 'The Artful Dodgers' – a musical about baseball. The evening was a triumph.

There was no let up in the final two weeks and there were 90 performances given in the end of year Music Festival adjudicated by the Head of Sutton Music Services – Nigel Hiscock. Results were as follows:

Piano:

Winner – Seungwoo Park

Highly Commended - Raymond Yip

Wind and Brass:

Winner – Seungwoo Park

Highly Commended - Freddie Meyers

Strings:

Winner – Christopher Hart

Highly Commended - Sanjay Patel

Percussion:

Winner – Liam Grant

Highly Commended - Ben Forsdick

Composition 1:

Winner – Dennis Sun

Highly Commended - Balraj Dhingra

Composition 2:

Winner – Freddie Meyers

Highly Commended - George Hewitson

Points were awarded to the top 6 players in each section. Totals were as follows:

- Woolfords 15 Points
- Bomfords 20 Points
- Grays 35 Points
- Ellis 57 Points.

Congratulations to Ellis on a resounding victory!

Mr A Meyers

Modern Foreign Language Department

First of all, well done to the U6th for working very hard and making the whole French Department, myself, Mr Soltysik and Mme Quayle, very proud of them!

During the year, L4th, U4th and 5th form boys have exchanged letters with the French pen-friends. The 5th form pupils enjoyed a day trip to Boulogne sur mer, to the Nausicaa sea life centre and to the second world war museum of Audinghen.

In the Spring term, L6th and U6th boys have been given the opportunity to take part in the second "Concours d'Art Oratoire" held at Lancing College. The number of participants doubled this year, reaching 85, all keen linguists and 16 schools! In spite of internal examinations and minor distractions such as the school inspection, 5 pupils made the journey to Lancing on 11th March. They had to learn from memory a French poem and also recite a presentation which they had written themselves.

The 5 Homefield participants and their chosen poems/presentation were:

L6th

Nathan Inkester: Le Cancre by Prévert and "Mes vacances idéales"

Nicholas Jelacic: Chanson de la Puce by De Nerval and "Si j'étais président"

Joshua Vincent: Demain dès l'aube" par Victor Hugo and "Si je pouvais changer la terre"

U6th

Balraj Dhingra and Dennis Sun: a pair poem: Je suis enragé, j'aime" par Victor Hugo

Balraj Dhingra: presentation: "Une bonne surprise"

Dennis Sun: "je ne l'ai pas fait!"

At the end of the afternoon the prize-winners were announced and we were delighted to hear that Balraj had won 2nd prize with his presentation, and Dennis had been awarded a Special Mention!

Well done to all the 5 participants! I was very proud of them!

Another competition has been offered to our pupils, this time for the L4th, U4th and 5th form boys, giving them to chance to learn another foreign language, Italian, whilst helping a Charity supporting mothers and children in Africa. The competition is entitled Junior Language Challenge and I am pleased to say that 7 boys entered but did not quite get the required number of points to qualify for the semi-final. May be next year?

Three boys have volunteered to welcome three pupils from the Ombrosa college in June: Kishan Sharma whose pen friend, Dragos, stayed with Joel Sokolowski during the L6th French trip, Zeb Bond who welcomed Mathis and Jonathan Marsh whose pen friend was Hugo. Thank you and I hope that they will also decide to travel to Lyon to visit their French friend's family and school.

The L6th had the opportunity of sampling life with a French family and a French school before spending a couple of days in Paris. Please read the report by Nathan Inkester. Their penfriends will pay them a return visit from the 29th September to the 1st October.

During the year, several French clubs have been running, a French clinic session as well as a lunch time advanced conversation class and an after-school senior department club, where interactive board programmes were enjoyed by boys from the 3rd years to the U6th!

Some U6th decided they wanted to act part of a play they had been reading in class, "L'Avare" by Molière. I was delighted by

their enthusiasm and we had just a few lessons to rehearse Act 5.



The hosts for our French penfriends

Well done to Dennis Sun and Raymond Yip (Harpagon x2), Matthew Carmedy (Cléante), Balraj Dhingra (Anselme), Joseph Forsdick (Mariane), Qasim Afghan (Maitre Jacques and Elise), Sam Yip (Valère), Faraaz Khan (La Flèche) and Arjun Sharma (narrator).

It was a very ambitious task and they performed admirably in front of the school assembly.

Finally I would like to remind parents of the opportunity available to all Senior and Year 3 boys to learn Mandarin. The club is an after-school run by a qualified Chinese teacher, Mrs Lin. Please see details in the newsletter attachments.

Modern Languages are a definite plus in life; I hope that you will have the opportunity of "trying" one out during your Summer holidays!

Ms S White

Trip to France

On the 14th June 2010 most of the Lower Sixth Form embarked on an 'adventure' to France.

Firstly we arrived at school at 6:45a.m, and we took the coach to Dover, where we took a Sea France ferry to Calais of which the duration of the journey was spent listening to 'iPod's' and playing 'Mario Kart' on our 'Nintendo DS's'.

Then we arrived at the Vimy Memorial which is a memorial site dedicated to the memory of the Canadian Expedition Force members killed during World War One. The memorial was very tall with many steps to reach the summit of the memorial. Inscribed on the memorial were hundreds of names of the soldiers who died during World War One. Then we drove to the actual site of the Battle of Vimy Ridge which was only a short 5 minute drive away from the memorial.



At the Vimy Memorial

At the museum of Vimy Ridge we had a quick look around, interacted with many of the interactive exhibits and generally learnt more about the Battle of Vimy Ridge. Then we had a talk from one of the guards, who was understandably Canadian. We walked around the trenches and spots from which snipers would set up their sniper rifles and aim at the enemy. We also learnt about a tactic called the 'Creeping Barrage.' This is when a unit from the army move forward with artillery firing just in front of them, acting like a shield. Using the 'creeping barrage' took great skill and required a lot of training for both the artillery and the men, since if the men marched too fast they would be horrendously massacred.

After learning about the battle that occurred at Vimy, we stopped at a picturesque North of France town called Arras. We walked around and had the opportunity to get a quick snack at a café which was very tasty.

After driving for about one hour, we arrived at Gouzeaucourt which was where our pen-friends attended school. We hauled our luggage out of the hold in the coach and hurried excitedly to meet our pen-friends.

Thankfully my pen-friend and her family were very nice. My pen-friend was called Marie, and she was 13 years of age. After eating a delightful dinner at her house we played archery. When I got one of the arrows through the bulls eye they shouted 'À jaune!' Then her brother, who was called Aymeric, showed me his 'Vesper' motorbike. He told me it could reach 90 km/h. Then I went to sleep happily, wondering what tomorrow would bring.

The next day, we spent the morning at the French school. We were all assigned to certain lessons. I went to I.C.T. I still think I prefer English computer games to French ones though!

We then had lunch at the school which was quite a new experience for a lot of us since we received three courses, a starter, a main course and a dessert.



At school with our penfriends

After that tasty lunch we departed for the First World War museum at Péronne. The Historial, the Museum of the Great War is situated in Péronne. It explains the conflict, the origins and the consequences of the First World War by comparing the main countries who fought on the Western Front: Great Britain, France and Germany. The Historial boasts a unique collection which shows both the soldiers' experience and that of the civilians.

After learning so much at The Historial we drove back to our pen-friends' school where our pen-friends' families took us to their home. When I got back to my pen-friends' house I was informed that we were going to go to a bowling alley and then go 'lazerquesting.' Then after all that fun we were to go to 'Mc Donald's.' I was very excited!

After returning quite exhausted, from bowling and 'lazerquest', and also quite full, I went to bed excited about going to Paris the next day, although I was quite sad to leave my pen-friend whom I had great fun with.

After waking up the next day at 7:30 we departed for Paris. We hauled our extremely heavy baggage back onto the coach, said goodbye to our pen-friends and then departed for Paris, each with our own, personal stories of how great our families that we stayed with were.

Our first stop, as we reached Paris, was at the Air and Space Museum. At the Air and Space Museum we saw hundreds of planes from important periods of aviation history, had a go at a flight simulator and even saw 2 Concorde and a Boeing 747. There was also a gift shop where many of us bought gifts for our family and friends back home.

We then sat near the coach as we ate our lunch and hopped back on the coach so we could leave for the Eiffel Tower. When we arrived Eiffel Tower we were wondering how on earth we were to climb it. Somehow though, when you step onto the Eiffel Tower you feel you have to climb it just as a way of acknowledging all the people who put so much effort into its amazing height and architecture.

After climbing the Eiffel Tower we checked in at our hotel, 'Campanile' in the 'Gare du Nord' area. After settling in at our hotel we had dinner at a restaurant a few steps away from our hotel (literally!) After having 'poulet et frites' at the restaurant we went on the 'Bateau Mouche' trip. We passed under 32 bridges (if I remember correctly) and we saw most of Paris's most famous sites including the Eiffel Tower and Le Louvre.

After the 'Bateau Mouche' trip we went back to our hotel and went to sleep.



Outside Le Louvre in Paris

The next day we woke up, had breakfast then departed for yet another busy day in Paris. Today we were going to Notre-Dame, a very pretty, picturesque cathedral on the Île de la Cité. It was also on this day that we saw such monuments such as L'Arc de Triomphe. We stopped at a little known 'Memorial de la Déportation', near to the River Seine, it's a memorial to the 200,000 French people who died in the concentration camps of Nazi Germany. We also visited Le Louvre which is where the 'Mona Lisa' - La Joconde in French - is exhibited. There were also hundreds of other paintings painted by extremely famous artists. We then returned to the restaurant next to our hotel and we were all served Chicken Cordon Bleu which we shovelled down our throats after a long walk from Notre Dame back to our hotel! After having dinner at the restaurant we went to Montmartre (by coach this time!) and we went to Le Sacré Coeur. From the top of Montmartre there was an extremely good view of all Paris's most famous sites. We were then allowed about one hour to roam around the Montmartre square, with the opportunity to get caricatures or portraits of ourselves. Then we went back to our hotel and went to sleep happily, knowing we had yet another jam-packed day of fun ahead of us. On Friday we departed from the hotel ready for a day of fun and games at Parc Astérix, a French theme park. Parc Astérix was full of all types of rides from 'Tonnerre De Zeus' where you go to the top of Mount Olympus and then dive headlong into a dizzying descent. There were also water rides such as 'Menhir Express' where there are whirlpools, spas and quite a large drop at the end. Parc Astérix is also full of sweet shops and refreshments but it was finally time for our French 'adventure' to come to an end. We got back on board the coach and departed for Calais. At Calais we caught a Sea France ferry to Dover. Unfortunately as soon as we touched down on English soil again the coach broke down and so a replacement coach later picked us up to take us home. Worse news was to come; England drew with Algeria (may be we should have stayed in France after all!) Finally we arrived back at Homefield to our awaiting parents who were glad to see us back.

From this French trip I have learnt so many things. Firstly I have learnt a lot more about World War I and what part the French played in the Great War such as at Vimy, where there is a memorial to the Canadians who fought alongside the French. I have also learnt much in the way of speaking French. I am now a lot more confident to approach a stranger and ask for something. I have also learnt about French sites and monuments. It has benefited me that we were able to see the monuments first hand, rather than on a computer screen. I have also realised how picturesque and quaint France is, from a North of France village to the hustling and bustling of the streets of Paris.

Reporter: Nathan Inkester L6H

Classics Department

Another achievement-filled year has passed, capped off recently by the lower fourth trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all of the students involved, visiting some of the best mosaics ever discovered in Britain, learning about the Roman invasion of Britannia, and gaining first-hand experience in handling artifacts. Our boys showed great enthusiasm and revelled in the opportunity to put their growing knowledge into practice.



Mosaic at Fishbourne Roman Palace

Next year will once again be an eventful one, especially in terms of outings as we strive to provide our students with fulfilling educational experiences. In first term our lower sixth students will have the opportunity to visit **Hadrian's Wall** on a two-day trip from the 1st to 2nd of October. In the same term, our fifth form will be undertaking the annual day-trip to St Albans to visit the site of **Verulamium** on Thursday 7th October, one of the most significant towns of Roman-Britain. Then at the end of the next academic year we will be once again embarking upon the biannual **Rome-Pompeii trip**, open to all students from lower fourth to upper sixth. Further information about all of these outings and more will be forthcoming as we move into next term.

Lastly I would again like to congratulate all of our upper sixth students for their great results this year, and to wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

Mr M McCaffery

Sport

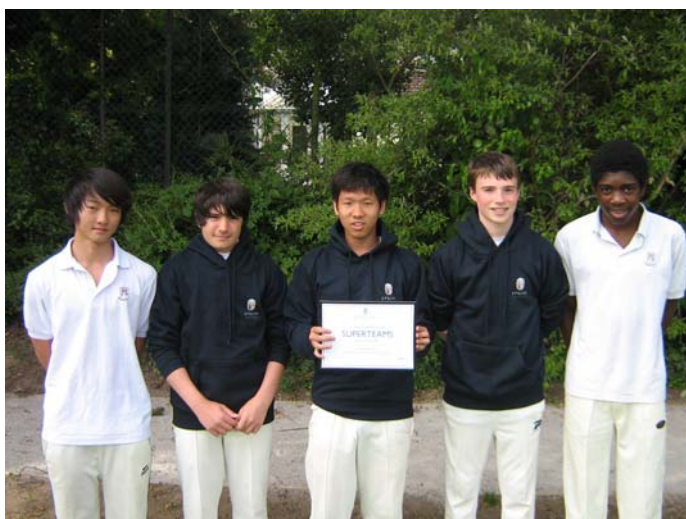
Sport overview

It has been an epic year for the Homefield Sports Department. We have truly enjoyed the awesome achievements of the boys on an internal, local and national level.

On Wednesday 30th June, the Homefield Senior Sports Day epitomised the outstanding level of competition that has been ever present during this academic year.



The U13 boys flexed their athletic muscles for the last time in Homefield house colours having this year competed and won the IAPS National Prep School Rugby Cup, Epsom Superteams', runners up in the Surrey Football Cup, quarter finalists in the Surrey Cricket Cup and numerous individual titles.



The winning U13 team at Epsom College Superteams'

The U11 boys have surpassed all expectations winning the Caterham cricket sixes, just missing out in the Homefield 7s final, and semi finalists in the Feltonfleet and Hawthorns 7s and semi finalists in the Surrey Cup Plate in football.

The U10s have destroyed teams in cricket and made massive progress in rugby and football, finally winning games against teams that have thrashed us in the year before.

The U9 teams have all competed for the first time in senior school sport and will progress from a firm foundation.

All the boys have enjoyed the wonderful golf lessons at Cuddington (as have the PE staff!) the Swimming Gala, the Cross Country competition, the first ever Homefield Hockey fixtures, the Judo, the Karate, the Fencing, the Squash, the Table Tennis and all of the endless combination of sports on offer.

My sincere thanks must go to the Sports Leaders who have been the best advert for leadership and a fine example to others in such events as the Sutton CC/Homefield Cricket festival, the first ever Homefield Sutton state school invitational Rugby Festival and Climbing Wall competition, not to mention their work with the Junior boys during their playtimes.

I would like to personally thank all of the PE staff for their hard work in lessons and fixtures. They often give up their weekends and evenings to ensure that all the Homefield boys have a multitude of sporting opportunities and the boys have repaid their efforts with some wonderful achievements. Well done.

Mr Matthews, Director of Sport

Photographs

Photographs of the Senior Sports Day, both morning and afternoon sessions can be viewed at www.penuelphotography.co.uk. Go to 'your images' and 'Homefield Senior Sports Day'. The password is 'seniors'.

Team photographs (Football, Rugby, Cricket, Squash and Table Tennis) and other sports photographs can also be viewed on this site under 'Homefield'. The password is 'Homefield 2010'.

Cricket

Under 8 Cricket fixtures and scores 2010

The Under 8 'A' team played their first game of pairs cricket against Chinthurst School. Chinthurst scored 255 runs with William Gurney taking 2 wickets (both run outs) with Joseph Harmsworth, Noah Yamin, Matthew Scott Shiv Rana and Alex Davies all taking one each. Theo Brown also took a good catch off Joseph Harmsworth bowling. In reply the 'A' team scored 250 runs, just 5 runs short of their target. Theo Brown and Joseph Harmsworth were Homefield's top batsmen scoring 17 runs, losing their wicket only once. Alex Davies and Olamide Ogunnaike contributed well with 10 runs, again only losing one wicket. Sam Heape and Sam Gurney both hit the ball and made good use of their running between the wickets to score 14 runs. Rahul Desai and Noah Yamin, who hit the ball very well, scored 6 runs. They lost two wickets after making the wrong decisions when running between the wickets. Shiv Rana and Matthew Scott scored 5; again, they only lost 1 wicket during their innings.

When meeting The Mall School, the 'A' team found them in top form. The Mall scored 271 runs with some impressive shots. The Mall were also very accurate with their bowling, disposing of 6 Homefield wickets during our innings. Homefield scored 228 runs, with Joseph Harmsworth hitting a very good six. Two good catches were also taken by both Rahul

Desai and Joseph Harmsworth. Homefield's wickets were taken by Shiv Rana, Alex Davies, and Noah Yamin.

In the 'B' team game, Homefield scored 184 runs and The Mall scored 177 runs. The main difference in the game was Naveen Dhar, who scored an impressive 20 runs from one over.

In the 'A' team match against Willington School, Homefield were set a target of 228 runs to win. Homefield's wickets were taken by Shiv Rana (2) Noah Yamin (2) Matthew Scott (2) Rahul Desai, Sam Heape and Olamide Ogunnaike all taking one wicket each. There was some impressive fielding along with some good catches. Good run-outs from William Gurney (2) Rahul Desai and Olamide Ogunnaike, along with two catches in the field by Sam Heape and Alexander Davies.

Homefield's reply was very slow losing 5 wickets in the first two overs. However, the next batsman William Gurney and Matthew Scott scored well with 17 runs. In the final two overs Homefield needed 18 runs to win the game. Both Theo Brown and Noah Yamin made a good attempt to win the game. Still needing to score 18 runs from the last over, they just failed after losing a wicket with three balls remaining. Homefield finished their innings with a total of 224 runs, just four runs short of the target set by Willington School.

The 'B' team had a very close and exciting game against Willington. Every boy had the opportunity to bat and bowl with Thomas Bradshaw (29 runs) and Daniel Cronje batting well. Homefield scored a total of 273 runs. In reply, Willington scored 260 runs with Thomas Mercieca and Tom Bradshaw each taking one wicket each. In the field, catches were taken by Arun Subramaniam (2) Thomas Mercieca and Tom Bradshaw, each taking one catch each. Well done to the 'B' team for an excellent win.

In the 'C' team game, Homefield scored 272 runs with both Keir Dawson and Zac Gray hitting a boundary each. In reply, Willington scored 263 runs with Cole Freigang taking a good catch and Kier Dawson running out two of the Willington batsman. Well done to the 'C' team for a good win.

Well done to all the boys who have represented the school's cricket teams this year.

Mr G Pearce

U9 Cricket

The U9s finished their season with 2 wins over Aberdour. The 'A' team needed two runs off the final ball to seal a narrow victory. Captain Sanjay Patel providing the winning runs. Special mention to Vivek Desai, whose 15 runs off one over put Homefield on track for victory.

The 'B' team were comfortable winners, defeating Aberdour by 270 to 236.

Well done to all the boys for their efforts over the summer term. As ever, selection was a headache for staff, due to the enthusiasm and commitment shown by players across all teams. Awards as follows:

'A' team colours: Sanjay Patel, Shrey Sachdeva, Aditya Yanamandra and Konrad Zielinski.

'A' team certificates: Max Bowen-West, Vivek Desai, Harry Bulkeley, Farad Khan, Luke Saitch, Joel Goodman and Jin Seong Yi

'A' team best batsman: Shrey Sachdeva

'A' team best bowler: Sanjay Patel

'B' team best batsman: Harry Andre

'B' team best bowler: Louis Vasili

'C' team best batsman: Ben Andrews

'C' team best bowler: Ameer Afridi

Mr E Judd

Under 10 Cricket Report

The Under 10 cricket season has been nothing short of fantastic this year. The 'A' team have dominated many of their games and on the few occasions that they have lost it has always come down to very small margins. Yasith Senanayake has captained the side and his leadership skills have got better and better. The bowling attack of Homefield has been formidable. The leading wicket taker is Sai Patel (13) who wins the 'Best Bowler' award closely followed by the outstanding spells of Jaimin Patel (9). Indeed all the bowlers have contributed this year, most notably Yasith Senanayake (6) and Luke Gonsalves (8) who have taken wickets with relative ease despite only having supportive roles. With the bat the 'A' team have also out played teams. Achal Srivastav has had some wonderful innings the best being his 42 against a very good Rokeby attack. This year he has scored 104 runs and wins the 'Best Batman' award. Jaimin Patel (87), Sai Patel (64) and Jimmy O'Brien (67) have also scored highly and kicked on during the season ensuring movement up the batting order. Ben Forsdick, Luke Gonsalves and Ash Sood deserve a special mention for some outstanding fielding this year. Well done all of you.

Mr D Matthews

Junior Colts 'C' team v Rokeby

Homefield's 'C' team had an exciting last game against Rokeby School. Rokeby scored 278 with two wickets lost both from run outs by Sebastian Callaghan and Tejas Patel. Ravi Nair was by far Homefield's best bowler, bowling a very good maiden over. In reply, Homefield just failed in their attempt to win the game, finishing just 1 run short. Homefield made it possible with both Sebastian Callaghan and Aaron Cornish batting very well as the last pair, scoring 24 runs.

Team:

Sebastian Callaghan and Aaron Cornish scored 24 runs.

Tejas Patel and Jamie Lynch scored 15 runs.

Matthew Laws and George Hopkins scored 14 runs.

Ravi Nair and Sean Harry Pritchard scored 10 runs.

Rohit Prabhu and Naym Ali scored 7 runs.

Cameron Sturgess-Taylor and Adam Khan scored 7 runs.

Well done to all the boys who have played cricket for the 'C' team this year.

Mr G Pearce

U10 'A' team v Rokeby.

On Tuesday 22nd June, the U10 'A' team played a fantastic match of cricket against Rokeby. Homefield bowled the opposition out after just 16 overs with Luke Gonsalves taking 4 wickets, almost bagging a hat trick with some superb line and length bowling. Ben Forsdick smashed down the stumps from deep square leg to claim a wicket and bowled extremely well. Rokeby posted a very good score of 93 considering their collapse. Homefield batted well as a team but the outstanding contribution came from Achal Srivastav who scored 42 in one

of the best innings I have seen in a very long time against county bowlers. Indeed Rokeby had six top line bowlers but that did not prevent Homefield taking the game to the very last ball. Michael Bahn hit a four off of the penultimate ball meaning we needed just four to win. Alas it was not to be, Michael went for the big shot to cow corner but was bowled out. This was truly our best game of the season and I am very proud of all the boys. Well done!

Homefield 90 for 6 off 20
Rokeby 93 all out

Mr D Matthews

U11 'A' Cricket Report

v Willington (Lost)

Willington 107 for 9
Homefield 95 All Out

v Aberdour (Match Tied)

Aberdour 80 for 3
Homefield 80 for 7

v Hawthorns (Lost)

Hawthorns 145 for 3
Homefield 109 All Out

v Feltonfleet (Lost)

Feltonfleet 123 for 6
Homefield 81 All Out

v The Mall (Lost)

The Mall 150 for 5
Homefield 124 for 6

Caterham 6s Tournament -Winners

Reigate St Mary's (Win) Hawthorns (Win) Caterham (Lost)
Royal Russell (Win)

Homefield U11s played some very good cricket, but couldn't maintain momentum within matches. As far as results go it has been a disappointing season. Not enough good starts were built upon to achieve match changing scores with the bat. The bowlers were outstanding for periods, but could not always sustain the pressure on the opposition. At times we lacked the confidence and focus to perform consistently. This made it easier for the opposition than we would have liked. However, there were very few one sided games and the boys put up a very good fight. The success at the end of the season in The Caterham 6s exemplifies the good team spirit and overall improvement amongst the 'A' Team.

Homefield bowled well against Willington. Joshua Ajay was outstanding (3 wickets for 13) in his three overs. He was well supported by the bulk of our other bowlers. This restricted Willington to a total of 107. In reply, Jack Hopper scored an attacking 41 runs. He shared an opening partnership of 61 with Joshua Ajay. Unfortunately, following this stand, no other Homefield player reached double figures. Despite spirited resistance from Marcus Sotiriou, the boys ended up just 12 runs short on 95 all out.

Early in the game, Aberdour were well tied down by the bowling of Joshua Glanville and Marcus Sotiriou. However, a good partnership developed between their second and third batsman who put on 40 runs together. This helped Aberdour reach a total of 80 off their allotted 16 overs. In response, Joshua Glanville also performed well with the bat. He scored 14 runs to keep us in the game. The batsman in general, found it hard to get the ball away. It looked as if we were struggling to keep up with the required run rate until Purav Patel scored 10 quick runs and Amin Janjua hit a 4 and a single off the final two balls to secure a fantastic tied game.

Hawthorns batted first and eventually posted a score of 145 off 20 overs. Their batsman got away in the latter stage of the innings but our opening four bowlers were superb, with Jack Hopper being outstanding bowling with pace and accuracy. It was not an ideal start to our batting effort when Jack was dismissed early on. However, Joshua Glanville again showed great determination in making 29 against some excellent bowling. Marcus Sotiriou again supported him well, scoring 10 runs. Their leg spinner was outstanding and showed his class in the second half of the innings, taking a five wicket haul. Unfortunately, as a result, Homefield posted a respectable total of 109, but never looked to seriously threaten the Hawthorns total.

Jack Hopper, Charlie Glanville and Purav Patel were outstanding with the ball. against Feltonfleet. Unfortunately, their No.3 batsman batted superbly and took the game away from us with a fantastic 63. Their total of 123 always looked just beyond reach, though Amin Janjua batted with great confidence to score an unbeaten 24 further down the order.

The Mall got off to a flyer with the bat and their score of 151 looked an ominous total. However, a fantastic innings of 62 not out from Jack Hopper, took us close, but again fell just short on 124 for 6.



Fine batting action

U11 Caterham Tournament 6s Tournament

Homefield U11s won the Caterham 6s Tournament. It was a fantastic climax to the season. In the first game, Royal Russell were hit for 70 runs and in response were restricted to just 52. In the second game we faced a strong Hawthorns team that had

beaten us quite convincingly in the open season. We posted a total of 62, with Jack Hopper finishing with 34 runs. Marcus Sotiriou kept wicket particularly well. Our bowling was then accurate and the opposition found it hard to get the ball away. Joshua Glanville was particularly on target throughout the morning. It was a tense finish, but Homefield hung on to claim an excellent win. Unfortunately, we made a poor start against Caterham in our third match. Their bowling and fielding was restrictive and a total of 32 off the 5 allotted overs was never going to be enough. Caterham easily knocked the runs off and left three schools with two wins and one loss going into the last round of matches.

Reigate St Mary's batted first in the final game set a good total. Because of the rules we had to rotate the opening batsman. Joshua Ajay and Ben Higgs did a good job of opening the innings and Joshua Glanville struck a fantastic straight four to bring us within reach of the Reigate total. We scored the winning runs with a couple of balls to go. Purav Patel made a good all round contribution in many of the games. Homefield ended up on equal points to Hawthorns, but were awarded the win because of the result between the two teams earlier in the competition. Jack Hopper collected the shield. It was a just reward for his all round cricketing skill and captaincy.

Well done to the following boys in the squad: Jack Hopper, Marcus Sotiriou, Joshua Glanville, Joshua Ajay, Purav Patel, Ben Higgs, Jamaal Majeed, Jordan Goulding, Harry Goddard, Amin Janjua, Liam Grant, Tommy Highwood.
Colours ; Jack Hopper and Joshua Glanville.

Best Bowler –Joshua Glanville

Best Batsman – Jack Hopper

Mr L Nellthorp



Homefield 6s U11 side

Under 11 'B' Team Cricket

The season began with early promise with a win against Ewell Castle. Next we played Willington putting up a spirited display but were unable to quite match their total in the 10-a-side pairs game. The key to success is batting with care and avoiding losing too many wickets within the 5 run tariff.

Our next matches were scheduled to be 20- 20 style games against the Mall and Feltonfleet. Unfortunately, both were lost

as we were unable to score quite enough runs with the bat or simply conceded too many runs with the extras associated with bowling wides.

Despite the losses, the boys have enjoyed their cricket, have gone about the matches with enthusiasm and have learnt some of the subtleties of the game.

The side was well captained by Hugo Brown, who set a good example for the others to follow and always gave of his best.

Team selected from: Hugo Brown, Paul Dalby, Dhivian Pirabaharan, Ben Aldous, Bhavish Ruparelia, Nikhil Fernandes, Max Ruggeri, Sam Sterling, Robert Cooke, Tomas Harmsworth, Tommy Highwood, Amin Janjua and Niall Kavanagh.

Best bowler: Hugo Brown

Best Batsman: Tomas Harmsworth

First XI Cricket 2010

P 9 W 4 L 5

Lanesborough 87 Homefield 89 – 6	Won by 4 wickets
Homefield 133 – 6 Chinthurst 111	Won by 22 runs
The Mall 167 -2 Homefield 99	Lost by 68 runs
Hazelwood 103 – 7 Homefield 107 -6	Won by 4 wickets
Homefield 51 Rokeby 52-0	Lost by 10 wickets
Feltonfleet 147 – 7 Homefield 141	Lost by 6 runs
Hawthorns 155 – 7 Homefield 156 – 7	Won by 3 wickets
Willington 114 Homefield 78	Lost by 36 runs
Homefield 91 Cumnor House 92 – 2	Lost by 8 wickets

Averages:

Batting

	Inning	No	Runs	HS	Av
P O'Brien	9	2	177	44*	25.2
U Ahmed	9	1	161	39*	20.1
Q Afghan	8	1	120	43	17.1
D Kalognomas	7	2	60	22	12.0
J Tyler	9	0	95	25	10.5
J Vincent	9	1	73	30	9.1

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts	Av
Q Afghan	15	0	80	7	11.4
U Ahmed	35	2	199	15	13.2
W Khan	27.2	1	119	8	14.8
P O'Brien	35	1	128	7	16.2
J Vincent	35	3	157	4	39.2
D D'Mello	22.5	1	167	3	55.6

The 1st XI won 4 and lost 5 of their matches in a season when no time was lost to rain. They were well captained by Cameron Crowley with Jack Tyler and Qasim Afghan playing their second season whilst the rest of the team were Under 12 players.

The highlight of the year was a good victory against a strong Chinthurst team in the Surrey Cup.

The batting was led by Umar Ahmed, Peter O'Brien and Qasim Afghan, who all scored over 100 runs in the year. However, nobody achieved a 50 and we relied on several players contributing to reach a high total. Umar Ahmed was the leading wicket taker and it has been many years since 15 wickets or more were taken by a bowler. Qasim Afghan, Wajid Khan and Peter O'Brien all picked up useful wickets at a reasonable cost. Louis Sheils proved to be very reliable behind the stumps and few byes were conceded.

It has been an enjoyable season and with the bulk of the team being available next year, it bodes well for 2011.

Colours: Cameron Crowley, Umar Ahmed, Peter O'Brien, Qasim Afghan and Jack Tyler.

Batting Cup: Peter O'Brien

Bowling Cup: Umar Ahmed

Harry Allen Cup (Outstanding Achievement): Umar Ahmed

All Round Cricketer: Peter O'Brien

Fielding Cup: Dinos Kalognomas

Mr C Lloyd

U13 2nd XI Cricket Report

V Lanesborough (Won)

Lanesborough 92 for 9

Homefield 93 for 9

After some wayward opening bowling, Homefield came back into the game well. Nathan Inkester (4 overs 7 runs and 3 wickets) and Omar Malik (4 overs 11 runs and 3 wickets) were outstanding. Their pace bowling wrestled the initiative back Homefield's way and reduced Lanesborough to a total of 92 for 9. In reply, Joseph Forsdick (20) and Omar Malik (26) looked to be taking the game away from the opposition. However, a four wicket collapse in consecutive balls left us hanging on. Fola Oki and Asaph Quayson finally guided us to victory in an exciting climax to the game, with just the one wicket to spare.

V Chinthurst (Won)

Chinthurst 120 for 5

Homefield 123 for 5

Chinthurst reached 120 for five in their allocated 20 overs. Initially, they looked likely to post a more substantial total, but Fola Oki, Jonny Coekin and Joseph Forsdick all bowled accurately and placed the opposition under a lot of pressure. This made scoring runs difficult. Homefield made a bright start to their innings with Joseph Forsdick (31) capitalising on any loose deliveries. Jonny Coekin (18) and Marko Ravic (12 Not Out) then guided Homefield to victory with some fine stroke play with three overs to spare.

V The Mall (Lost)

The Mall 134 for 1

Homefield 110 for 5

The Mall were a particularly strong batting team. Their total of 134 for 2 was quite a challenge. Despite the best efforts of

George Hewetson (27) and Marko Ravic (19) the boys fell 24 runs short on a final total of 110 for 6.

V Hazelwood (Won)

Homefield 181 for 2

Hazelwood 90 for 7

We elected to bat first against Hazelwood and made the most of some rather accommodating bowling. Nicholas Jelcic (50) and Marko Ravic (36) struck the ball well before retiring to give other boys an opportunity. Omar Malik then decided to up the run rate with a quick fire 32 including four sixes. The total of 181 soon looked intimidating as Hazelwood lost early wickets. Fola Oki and Nicholas Jelcic bowled particularly well and were unfortunate not to pick up more wickets.

V Rokeby (Lost)

Homefield 116 All Out

Rokeby 116 for 2

Rokeby chose to bowl and unfortunately our frailties with regard to setting a batting total were exposed. Our openers were pinned down by some accurate opening bowling which exploited a bit of moisture in the pitch early on. Then, Omar Malik (39) and Jonny Coekin (28) struck the ball particularly well and released the pressure on the Homefield batting line up. However, neither was able to consolidate their fantastic start as both fell to poor shot selection. Other than brief resistance from Fola Oki (14 Not Out) and Nathan Inkester the batsman crumbled, showing little maturity and defensive awareness. We finished on 115 all out and failed to contain the Rokeby top order early. There were too many loose balls and it was left to the spin bowling of Joseph Forsdick and Nicholas Jelcic to tie the opposition down. Unfortunately, it was too late and Rokeby struck the winning runs with nine balls to spare.

V Feltonfleet (Lost)

Feltonfleet 90 for 6

Homefield 67 All Out

Homefield made a great start with the ball. Asaph Quayson and Nathan Inkester swung the new ball early on and Nathan proved particularly hard to contain (4 overs 18 runs 3 wickets). Sheru Saleem, Jonny Coekin, Nicolas Jelcic and Fola Oki continued the good work and Feltonfleet were restricted to 90 for 7 off 20 overs. In reply, George Hewetson batted with great maturity and carried his bat throughout the innings for 10 Not Out. Unfortunately, he ran out of support. Other than a typical swashbuckling 20 from Omar Malik, no other batsman reached double figures. Again, too many wickets were given away with soft shots not clearing the in field and falling gently into opposition hands. In order to maximise our potential in the remaining matches with Hawthorns, Willington and Cumnor House, it will be an improvement in our batting technique and awareness that will be the key to our success.

V Hawthorns (Win)

Hawthorns 96 for 7

Homefield 101 for 3

This was a very good bowling performance with accuracy, pace and guile. As a result we limited the opposition to 96 runs, on

what was a small pitch with a quick outfield. Nicolas Jelcic and Fola Oki were outstanding. George Hewetson cemented his place as 2nd team wicket keeper with an impressive display behind the stumps. George Hewetson (26) and Omar Malik (32 Not out) knocked off the runs to record a well deserved victory with 7 overs to spare.

V Willington (Lost)

Homefield 97 All Out
Willington 101 for 9

Unfortunately, none of our batsman were able to establish themselves at the crease. George Hewetson (21) and Nicolas Jelcic (14) were our best scorers. As a result we had to defend a score of 97. This looked possible, when after 5 overs Willington had been restricted to 9 runs for 5 wickets. Asaph Quayson and Nathan Inkester bowled with particular accuracy. The game then got away from us and it took a good spell from Joseph Forsdick and Jonny Coekin to bring us back into the game. An exciting finale ensued, but we could not claim the final wicket and Willington won with one over and one wicket to spare.

V Cumnor House (Win)

Cumnor House 98 All out
Homefield 99 for 1

Once again, Asaph Quayson, Nathan Inkester, Jonny Coekin and Joseph Forsdick (4 Wickets) bowled well. This created a lot of pressure on the Cumnor House batsmen, who were all out for 98. In response William Hykin (47 Not Out) and Jonny Coekin (26 Not out) established themselves and took the Homefield team to a comfortable victory with six overs to spare in the final game of the season.

Squad

Omar Malik, Jonny Coekin, Joseph Forsdick (Captain), George Hewetson, Nicolas Jelcic, Marco Ravik, William Hykin, Sheru Saleem, Asaph Quayson, Nathan Inkester and Fola Oki.

Colours

Omar Malik, Jonny Coekin, Joseph Forsdick, George Hewetson, Nathan Inkester, Asaph Quayson and Fola Oki

Best Bowler – Nathan Inkester (Overall 27 overs – 93 runs and 15 wickets)

Best Batsman – Omar Malik (26v Lanesborough 32 N.O v Hazelwood, 39 v Rokeby, 32 Not Out v Hawthorns and 20 v Feltonfleet)

Mr L Nellthorp

3RD XI Cricket Results

V The Mall (a) lost by 20 runs
Mall 112 for 10 / Homefield 92 for 10
S Goodman 17 S Goodman 3 for 9
M Carmedy 15 M Melconian 2 for 11
B Adey 14 N Bommaya 2 for 12

V Chinthurst (h) won by 10 wickets
Chinthurst 60 for 9 / Homefield 62 for 0

D Sandler 20* A Bygate 2 for 13
N Bommaya 11* J Hammerton 2 for 15

V Hazelwood (a) won by 8 wickets

Hazelwood 80 for 10 / Homefield 81 for 2
B Adey 17 R Pugalia 2 for 4
D Sandler 13 S Yip 2 for 5
M Carmedy 13 B Adey 2 for 12

V Feltonfleet (h) lost by 70 runs

Felton 129 for 7 / Homefield 57 for 10
M Melconian 15 N Bommaya 2 for 11
B Adey 2 for 25

V Hawthorns (h) won by 8 runs

Homefield 144 for 3 / Hawthorns 136 for 7
D Sandler 50* M Vasili 3 for 8
B Adey 28

V Cumnor House (h) won by 9 wickets

Cumnor 31 for 10 / Homefield 34 for 1
M Vasili 17* M Vasili 3 for 8
J Hammerton 2 for 6

Well done to all 18 boys who have played so enthusiastically for the 3rd XI this term. There were nine boys who played four or more matches (wickets taken):

David Sandler - wicket keeper, **Nishant Bommaya (7)**, **Jack Hammerton (5)**, **Ben Adey (5)**, **Sam Goodman (5)**, **Marcus Melconian (4)**, **Jamie Hughes (2)**, **Rahul Pugalia (3)**, **Balraj Dhingra.**

Other players:

Michael Vasili(6), Alex Bygate (3), Harry Sprunt (2), William Ferguson (1), Thomas Gunningham (1), Matthew Carmedy, Sam Yip, Faraaz Khan, Charlie Reed.

Special mention for Sam Goodman and Ben Adey who maintained a very high standard of fielding. Also for Michael Vasili, who took six wickets in two matches.

Batting Award: **David Sandler** (scored almost 100 runs)

Bowling Award: **Nishant Bommaya** (most wickets).

Mr R Strong

Athletics

It has been another successful summer for our athletes! The season started in May with our home match against Chinthurst and Hawthorns. We won by a narrow margin after winning the crucial relay race at the end, beating Hawthorns by three points overall.

The **L4th** (u10) had five winners: Konrad Zielinski (200m and high jump); Sanjay Patel (hurdles); Sam Goodman (long jump) and Harry Bulkeley (c. ball). Remarkably, there was a three-way tie on 67 points in this age group.

The **U4th/5th** (u12) had two winners: Tishe Sokan (100m) and Jack Hopper (high jump). This age group was won by Hawthorns who were 28 points clear.

The **L6th/U6th** (u14) had six winners: Omar Malik (javelin and hurdles); Daniel Park (200m and 400m); Nathan Inkester (800m) and the relay team. This age group was won by 31 points.

Fourteen boys finished second or third and this was the key to our success in this match.

The 41st **London Area** athletics meeting at Thames Valley stadium, Eton saw another day of high standard competition for the boys who had achieved strict qualifying standards to compete there. Homefield had three boys who qualified for the National event in July: **Omar Malik** in the javelin (also 3rd hurdles); **Daniel Park** in the 200m (also 2nd 400m) and **Fola Oki** in the triple jump (also 3rd long jump). **Sam Yip** (4th 100m and 5th 200m) qualified as part of a winning relay team against 15 other teams. Other successes were **Tishe Sokan** (1st 100m); **Jack Tyler** (3rd discus and 4th shot); **Tomas Harmsworth** (6th 800m); **Ben Aldous** (5th hurdles); **Jack Hopper** (6th javelin); **Konrad Zielinski** (4th high jump and 5th long jump).

Senior Sports Day was next, at the end of June, on a perfect day for good performances. The younger boys recorded huge numbers of personal bests as a result. As usual, there was a '**Victor Ludorum**' for the athlete scoring most points in each age group. In **group 3**: **Louis Brown** was dominant, winning hurdles, 100m and 200m. Sanjay Patel was close on his heels, having won the 800m and high jump.

In **group 2**: **Tishe Sokan** was first in the 200m, but was second in three others. Tomas Harmsworth won the 100m, 300m and 800m but lacked points from his fourth event to be pipped at the post.

In **group 1**: Omar Malik won three events (hurdles, discus and javelin), but had to be content behind **Daniel Park** who won long jump, 100m, 200m and 400m to win the award. He also picked up the Oshinowo shield for his outstanding contribution this season.



Daniel Park sets the pace



The fiercely contested Tug-of-War

Champion House was **WALFORDS** with 147 points, four ahead of **Grays**. Bomfords (91) and Ellis (85) were well off the pace this year.

In the **National Finals** at the Alexander stadium, Birmingham: our relay team distinguished themselves by taking more than a second off a very good school record. Fola, Omar, Sam and Daniel were a metre from a bronze medal position in the final race. Daniel finished fifth in his 200m final and Fola was also unlucky to come fourth in a new school record of 10.40m in the triple jump.

In the final week of term, we competed in what used to be a 'friendly' hexagonal meeting at **Kingsmeadow**. Hosted by Rokeby, the event was won comfortably by Parkside. With a team for every year group, any boy finishing with a top two position is confirmed as a good athlete.

In the **L4th** (u10): Konrad Zielinski won the long jump (also 2nd high jump);

In the **U4th** (u11): Tishe Sokan won the 100m (2nd 200m) and Sebastian Callaghan won the high jump;

In the **5th** (u12): Tomas Harmsworth won the 300m and Jack Hopper the javelin; Liam Grant (hurdles) and Marcus Sotiriou (200m) were both placed second;

In the **L6th** (u13): Nicholas Jelcic won three events (800m, 300m and shot); Dinos Kalognomas won both the 100m and long jump (also 2nd hurdles); Peter O'Brien won the 200m; Jonny Coekin was second in the javelin and the relay team were also victorious;

In the **U6th** (u14): Daniel Park won both 200m and 400m; Jack Tyler won the shot; Sam Yip won the 100m (also 2nd in 200m); Fola Oki had two second placings (100m and high jump); Nathan Inkester won the 800m and Omar Malik made up for the disappointment of coming 11th in Birmingham by setting a new school record to win the javelin.

Seven records were broken this summer (all in the u14 group) and **colours for athletics** are awarded to:

Omar Malik, Daniel Park, Fola Oki, Jack Tyler, Sam Yip, Nathan Inkester, Dinos Kalognomas, Nicholas Jelcic, Marcus Sotiriou and Tomas Harmsworth. Well done to all! Many thanks to members of the sports department for their encouragement of athletics in lessons and after school sessions. It is much appreciated!

Mr R Strong

Squash

The squash club moved its new location to Peaches Close in Cheam, in September and over 40 boys, from the 3rd years to the U6th are enjoying the new facilities and the minibus transport on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. They continue to be ably coached by their enthusiastic coach, Natalie Le Serve-Ort. I am particularly happy that some 3rd year boys took advantage of this new opportunity and hope that it will pay dividends in the years to come.

Our first team has been very successful, having won not only all the 6 matches against Danes Hill but 12 out of the 13 games played! We were also very successful against City of London Freeman, a new fixture for us, winning 5 matches to 1, and against Chinthurst, winning 6 out of 8 matches. Unfortunately, we were missing 2 of our regular team members when we travelled to Trinity School and had to concede a 5 to 1 defeat, losing nearly all matches in the 5th game.

At the start of the Spring term, the squash teams travelled to Trinity School twice, once with an Under-13 and Under-12

team of 9 players. The team members on this occasion were: Cameron Crowley, Nathan Inkester, Ben Adey, Fola Oki, Faraaz Khan, Jamie Hughes, Qasim Afghan, Harry Sprunt and George Henning, who was playing for the school for the first time.

Jamie and Qasim played and won twice, Nathan and George also won their match, so we finished with a close 11 matches to 10 win!

The Under-11 team also had a chance to play at Trinity. Seven boys travelled there. They were: Tommy Highwood, George Henning, Joshua Ajay, Amin Janjua, Bhavish Ruparelia, Ali Janjua and Sam Sterling. Unfortunately, only 6 Trinity boys chose to play. The final score was a little disappointing as we just lost 4 matches to 2. Sam Sterling, our number 7 also had the opportunity for some match play against a higher ranked player. Well done to Joshua and Bhavish for winning their match!

The highlight of the squash season is always the individual Prep School's tournament held at Epsom College and run by the Surrey coach, Neil Frankland.

The members of the Under-11 team had a fun and productive day, with 3 boys – George, Amin and Tommy reaching the semi-final of the plate. To my delight, Tommy finished the morning with the plate winner trophy in his hands!



Tommy Highwood receives his award

In the Senior section, Cameron was not able to play, so Nicholas Jelcic stepped in. Jamie, Faraaz, and Nicholas were entered for the plate competition after the first round robin section, Jamie reaching the quarter final of the plate.

Nathan and Ben won their group and so were entered for the main cup. Nathan reached the quarter final where he had to face the eventual runner-up. Ben reached the semi-final, where he met the eventual tournament winner, and was eventually awarded 3rd place! He also left with a main cup trophy!

Well done to all the boys who played hard but fair all day.

The second half of term was quieter. We did travel to Trinity again for an Under-11 and Under-12 match. Our boys played several matches against a combined team of Under-11 and Under-12 Trinity boys and at the end of the afternoon, the final count was an 11-10 matches victory for Homefield.

The Under-11 team also had the opportunity to travel, with my faithful parents' "taxis" to meet the City of London team, as I was unfortunately not able to join them, following an inspection

"duty". The feedback I had from them is that there was a fair mix of won and lost matches, but that "a good time was had by all".

The regular members of the squash clubs have competed in the Homefield Squash House trophy. All Monday, Wednesday and Friday club members were invited to play and the results of all the combined matches are as follows:

- 1st place with 216 points is Grays
- 2nd place with 213 points is Ellis
- 3rd place with 211 points is Walfords
- 4th place with 194 points is Bomfords

So well done to all for taking part and, in particular, to the members of the winning House, Grays!

The last event of the squash year was the individual tournament; the Under-11 was won by Tommy Highwood who has now become the new Homefield Under-11 squash champion.

The Under-13 match was a wonderful and epic encounter of exceptional standard between Nathan and Ben, Ben eventually winning the match and becoming our 2010 Under-13 Squash Champion.



Ben Adey receives his Under 13 trophy

I would like to thank this year's squash captain, **Cameron Crowley**, and award him the Richard Pooley Dedication to Squash award.

Colours are being awarded or re-awarded to: Cameron Crowley, Nathan Inkester, Ben Adey, Jamie Hughes, Fola Oki, Faraaz Khan and Nicholas Jelcic.

Finally, it is always great news for squash at Homefield when boys qualify for the Surrey Squad as they can benefit from excellent county training, which in turn benefits our club. So I am excited to report that **Ben Adey** has been climbing up the national ranking ladder and is now ranked 90th in the England Squash and Racket Ball association! **Jamie Hughes** has just been selected for the Surrey Squash squad and joins **Nathan Inkester** who has been a member of the squad since last year; three county players in one year group, this is an excellent achievement! Well done to all three!


I would like to thank "my parents" who are always so helpful with transport. So thank you to Mrs Crowley, Mrs Adey, Mr

Khan, Mrs Hughes, Mrs Inkester and Mrs Jelacic for their chauffeuring duties.

Should you wish to join the squash club in September, please e-mail Natalie on natalieleserve@aol.com

Ms S White

Swimming



Have fun learning to swim

The Otter Club is the parent-run swimming club at Sutton High School. It offers value for money swimming lessons and family swimtime in a safe, crowd-free environment. Excellent for beginners to gain water confidence and for improvers and advanced swimmers to perfect their strokes, turns & dives.

Otter Club Lessons

Term-time lessons taught by fully-qualified instructors are run on Thursdays and Fridays after school as well as on Saturday mornings. The club follows the ASA National Curriculum Training programme and award schemes. All ages and abilities are catered for in small class sizes. Adult fitness pop-in sessions also run 2 days a week.

Otter Club Family Swimtime

Free fun swim sessions for the whole family take place on Saturday afternoons and during the school holidays.

Otter Club Crash Courses

Run during school holidays, courses include 'Learn to swim', 'Deep Water Confidence', 'Lifeguard Skills' and 'Scuba Diving.'

Family Membership is £45 and available now
If you are interested in joining or would like to book a free trial lesson
email: otterswimclub@hotmail.co.uk

Table Tennis

This has been an excellent year for Table Tennis at Homefield. The Under 11 team have excelled themselves by winning the Surrey Schools Cup. They have represented Surrey in the English Schools Competition, coming runners up in the zone final. In the Surrey League they were runners up to King's College Junior School. They have played 10 games in total, losing only twice. Well done to Liam Grant, Jordan Goulding, Tommy Highwood, Marcus Sotiriou and Yasith Sennayake.

The Under 13 squad also played to a very high standard all season. They played 6 matches winning 4 and losing 2. They finished runners up in the Surrey League which is a remarkable achievement since they are all eligible for next year's competition. Their only 2 defeats were against Ernest Bevin School who are the current National Champions and Wilson's, who were knocked out in the regional final stage. Well done to Nicholas Jelacic, Jamie Hughes, Harry Sprunt, Dinos Kalognomas and Liam Grant.

During the summer term the boys have been busy playing in their individual age group tournaments and their inter-house competitions. All age groups were very keenly contested. The results are as follows:

Under 8

Winner: Joseph Harmsworth
Runner Up: Sam Heape

Under 9

Winner: Harry Bulkeley
Runner Up: Sanjay Patel

Under 10

Winner: Yasith Sennayake
Runner Up: Prashast Vir

Under 11

Winner: Marcus Sotiriou
Runner Up: Jordan Goulding

Under 13

Winner: Nicholas Jelacic
Runner Up: Balraj Dhingra

Overall Champion

Winner: Liam Grant
Runner Up: Raymond Yip

Player of the Year

Liam Grant

Most Improved Player

Balraj Dhingra

U13s Inter-House

- 1st Grays
- 2nd Bomfords
- 3rd Ellis
- 4th Walfords

U11s Inter-House

- 1st Grays
- 2nd Bomfords
- 3rd Walfords
- 4th Ellis

Overall

- 1st Grays
- 2nd Bomfords
- 3rd Walfords
- 3rd Ellis

Mr M Mallett

Ski Trip February 2010

We had another successful ski trip to the Gstaad ski region of Switzerland. After an over night coach journey we arrived at The Haut Lac International Centre in Les Sciernes.

Each day we travelled by train through the towns of Chateau d'Oex and Gstaad to the ski area of Saanenmoser. The ski area

was ideal for our school party as it catered for all standards of skiing.



Boys enjoy the snow between ski lessons

Each day, our picnic lunches eaten at the restaurant at the top of the gondola lift, gave a good opportunity for all the boys to get together and discuss their varied experiences.

Each evening the boys were looked after by the sports' monitors and were entertained by indoor football, pool, table tennis, video games, a casino night and a film night.

I would like to thank all the boys who came with us last February for their enthusiasm and perfect behaviour. Next year's trip is now fully booked but if you would like your son to be put onto the waiting list, please could you email me: michael.mallett@homefield.sutton.sch.uk.

Mr M Mallett

Chess

EPSCA National Finals 2010

The semi-final stage of the event took place over the course of two weeks back in June and both our U9 and U11 teams qualified for the National Finals at Brean Sands on the 6th and 7th July.

We left home in the evening on Monday 5th July, and everyone arrived safely on-site. After a good night's sleep, all the boys were geared up for a good day of chess.

The U11s had a very good first day with a team standing of second after 4 rounds. Our team beat Broadclyst School 4 – 1, the Hallfield 2½ - 2½, Bolton Boys 4 – 1 and The Hall 4 – 1. With a total of 14.5 we were second after Eltham College.

In the evening we all got together to have a BBQ dinner and finished the evening by watching the FA Cup Semi-Final between Uruguay and Holland.

Next day was expected to be a tough day as the teams were separated by very few points. Some very good games were fought but the Homefield team's downfall came when we lost to Nottingham High School ½ - 4½. In the last round, we played Eltham College and managed to get 2 – 3 and eventually came home with the 4th place trophy.

The U9s had some players playing for the first time in an event of this magnitude. This did not, however, stop our players from coming 2nd.

On the first day after 4 games, our team tied 1st with a lead of 3½ points. An amazing result! The boys were excited to take the trophy back again as we returned it this year. Next day the games were tough but our team managed to come 2nd which is a wonderful result.

Homefield was the only school to come home with two trophies.

Overall, a good two days of chess with wonderful weather to back it up!

The teams were as follows:

Under 9

- Aditya Yanamandra
- Shrey Sachdeva
- Alex Davies
- Rahul Desai
- Zac Gray
- William Gurney

Under 11

- Prashast Vir
- Michael Banh
- Evan Wang
- Luke Gonsalves
- Yasith Senanayke
- Stephen Banh

Reporters: Prashast Vir and Yasith Senanayke

EPSCA (English Primary School Chess Association) semi finals at Pontins, Camber Sands 2010

On Friday 25th June, we left for Pontin's in Camber Sands in Sussex for the EPSCA (English Primary School Chess Association) competition semi-finals. Some people got there late and were very tired the next day.

The Under 9 team were Ady, Shrey, Stephen, Alex, Zac and William. We played 3 rounds of chess on each day. We also had a party, we went swimming, to the beach, played football, cricket and tennis. We went to the arcade and we all had a great time.

We played 6 rounds in total and Zac won all of his games. The team got a total of 21 and a half points and came in second place out of 29 teams and qualified for the finals at Brean Sands in Somerset where we will play the other top 7 teams in the country.

Report by Zac Gray, Alex Davies and William Gurney (3S and 3H)

I was quite excited to be in the Pontin's team. As the Under 11 reserve pulled out at short notice I was really excited to be asked to go in his place. It was quite hard to play against under 11 boys so I was thrilled to win 2 and a half out of 3 games on the first day.

Between each round we got to play in an adventure park. After all the rounds we all went to the beach. In the evening we all got together for a type of barbecue. We boys played cricket together. The next day I was very upset to lose all my games but very pleased to see that the team had got through to the finals. These two days were my best experience.

Report by Rahul Desai

I really enjoyed the semi-finals at Pontin's Camber Sands. There were twenty seven teams battling for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. When I saw the colossal crowd it made me feel really scared. I thought that I wouldn't win any games but I won 4 out of 6. It was over 2 days There were three rounds one day and three rounds the other.

In between the rounds we got together with other Homefield boys to play cricket, go to the beach and even go swimming. At the end of the first evening, all the families met for a buffet dinner. The apartment was very tiny, but luckily they were close together so we could meet up any time we wanted. On the second day in the afternoon we all went to see the Germany vs England match (4 – 1 Germany). I forgot to say we came 2nd out of 27 teams and thus earned a place in the finals, as did the U11 team too. Miss Bradley wanted Germany to win the football, so she had 3 successes that day.

Reporter: Shrey Sachdeva

**ESPCA National Schools Final
26th and 27th June 2010**

Day One

When we arrived at Pontins we were feeling nervous and exhausted. We brushed our teeth and went to our bedroom. I got to read my book called 'The Mystery of the Burning Cottage' but fell asleep. I didn't know, but apparently I was snoring in just 5 minutes!

Day Two

I nearly overslept! My brother Michael and my Dad woke me up. After breakfast, I went over to Zac and Alex's apartment and then it was time to play chess. I took my recording book and a pencil. It was a long walk. Finally, out of breath, we arrived in the playing hall.

The speech was long and boring so let's just skip that bit!

I was the Under 11 reserve and played on Board 6. I won the 1st round against a girl, but lost the next round. We had fish fingers, chips, battered fish and sausages for lunch. Then the next round started and I went on to win the game. I went to play in Adventure Land and football before the next round started. This was our last match for the day – I won this one. I managed to win 3 games out of 4 on the first day. We went swimming, played cricket, had a barbeque, then after an exhausting day, it was time for bed.

Day Three

I overslept again, so we had to rush to the playing hall. We were late and got told off. I lost this round and the next round but ended up winning the 7th and the final game of the tournament. Our Under 11 team came 4th and the Under 9 team came 2nd. We took photos before Michael and I went to the arcade and played golf. I got more points than him and then we went home. Bye, bye Pontins.

Reporter Stephen Banh Year 3

Judo

There are places available for all years in the Judo Club next term. All boys are welcome and the first lesson is free.

If your son is interested and would like to start, please contact Josie Horton on 07889869859 or hortonjo@gmail.com for further information and to also apply you can pick up a letter from the school office.

The cost, thereafter, is £70 per term which includes kit hire. Lessons for Years 1 and 2 are held on Friday from 3.20 – 4.05 pm, lessons for boys in the Upper 4th are held on Thursday lunchtime, lessons for Year 3 and Lower 4th are held on Friday lunchtime and lessons for Years 5 and 6 are held on Friday from 4.15 – 5.00 pm. Lessons commence on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th September.



Representatives of the Homefield Judo ensemble



The highly popular Judo Club

Congratulations to all the boys who achieved excellent results in their grading tests - all the hard work and effort paid off. Well done, and enjoy your summer holiday.

Ms J Horton

Karate

Karate lessons in the new academic year commence from the 4th September.

If you want to ensure a place in the next term's sessions, you must return your booking form as places are now very limited.

Please note that there are no places without prior booking.

If you are interested in the availability of Snow Herons Activity Days which include games, karate and archery, please telephone Ms Andrews on 07809725948 or email snowheronsfh@hotmail.com.

Many thanks for all the support given to Snow Herons at events this year from the children and parents.

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Homefield School

Congratulations to Homefield Karate students who competed in the Cardiff Internationals on Saturday 15th May.

The Cardiff competition is a major Tang Soo Do karate competition in Europe with competitors from the UK, Italy, Spain, France, Germany and the Netherlands taking part as well as some teams from the US. The boys did wonderfully well in a field of 650 competitors. Ben Andrews and Sam Heape both came home with Gold medals (Ben for sparring and Sam for Hyungs), Sam Gurney won a Silver Medal for Sparring and Harry Buckley a Bronze. William Gurney fought well and was extremely unlucky in his sparring competition narrowly missing a bronze. All of the boys did the London Snow Herons and Homefield proud in what was an extremely long day with a 5am start from Homefield! Well done boys!



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Liam Broady and Tom Farquharson hold the trophy aloft

Ms F Andrews

Tennis

Former Homefield pupil, Tom Farquharson and his tennis partner Liam Broady were the 'Best of British' as they overcame Lewis Burton and George Morgan to win the 2010 boy's doubles championship 7-6, 7-4, 6-4.

Nerves seemed to get the better of Broady in the opening game as he gifted the break with a double fault but he and Farquharson broke back in the 6th game.

Serve was then held up to the tie-break and then Court No 1s Hawk-Eye came in handy for Broady and Farquharson, who successfully challenged two calls as they came from behind in the breaker to win 7-4.

In the 2nd set, Broady and Farquharson got the early break and it was left Farquharson, who remained consistent throughout, to serve out for the title to love in the 10th game.

Speaking after the match, the boys had trouble letting their achievement sink in: "It's kind of surreal, you know," said Broady, "You're on court even in the finals and you're match point up and it's kind of like you're still thinking, can we do this? Can we not? Obviously we got the match point out of the way. Once we did, it just felt awesome."

Farquharson added: "Playing on Court No. 1 with all that support, it was, I don't know, just unbelievable."