

# HEADLINES

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Summer Term 2010 – May (4)

The sun-shine has caused all the flowerbeds in the Homefield garden to burst into resplendent life this half term. Foremost among the blossoms this week have been the Junior Department's fine Performances of "The Goblin Next Door", in which the boys richly entertained thrilled audiences with their splendid singing, dancing, musicianship and acting. They also taught an admiring audience the enduring correctness of doing the right thing. The boys superbly managed to rival the early morning songsters in the Headmaster's garden, and, for good measure, gave him a timely lesson in how to bow correctly at Prize Giving, where we will be once again welcoming author, Tom Palmer.



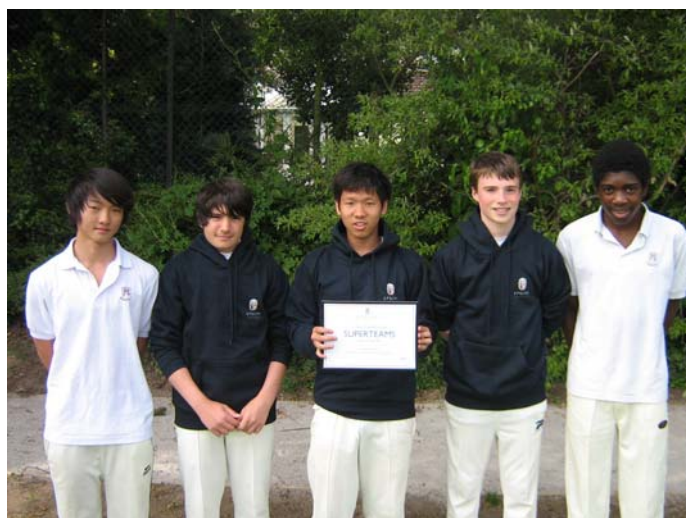
*The Goblin Next Door*

Mr Meyers and the staff and boys in his Department produced their usual sensational musical accompaniment to complete a half term which has paraded the musical talents of the boys at two Senior Department Music Concerts, and the music examinations which have taken place this week. The Art Department also played its familiar prominent part providing the production's splendid backdrop, and now turns its versatile attention to the set for the U6th form end of year production of "Fawltly Towers".

In the classroom boys in the fifth form this term have successfully completed their Key Stage 2 examinations; boys in the sixth form have excelled in the National Junior Maths Challenge, whilst the gold paint is on order for a record twenty

seven scholarship awards. Boys in the L4th to L6th forms will be preparing for their internal examinations after half term; whilst twenty eight boys in the U6th form Common Entrance classes now enter the last fortnight of their revision for their Common Entrance Examinations.

Outside the classroom, the school's athletes have excelled by winning last Friday's triangular fixture by the narrow margin of three points; whilst boys in the U6th form excelled by carrying off the Superteams' Trophy at Epsom College on Sunday.



*The winning U13 team at Epsom College Superteams'*

The Karate team was also in recent prize-winning weekend form in Cardiff whilst the Homefield cricket teams throughout the school continue to aspire to the peerless example of Homefield Old Boy, Colin Cowdrey.

In the neighbourhood, a revised Green Travel plan is now in formal final draft form, and no less than 9 forms achieved a 100% contribution to the recent Big Wow week. On the school field, the new cycle path has now been installed and awaits formal opening.

After the success of the Fun Run, in which the boys amassed over 1,500 fund-raising laps, The Homefield Association is now planning its Fun Day and The Bollywood Bash. The Old Boys' and Friends' of Homefield Dinner takes place from 7.00 pm on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July with a two-for-one ticket offer for those hugely-welcome Homefield parents who have requested dinner places at both.

Meanwhile, in the Early Years' Unit, recent arrivals, Golden, Kerry, Pecky and (now not so) Tiny, like their new young friends and associates, continue to flourish and, inexorably to grow ...! I wish the Homefield family a sun-filled and refreshing half term.

### **Charity Report**

The boys continue to make excellent contributions to our fund raising initiatives. A particular mention must go to Alex Howat and Hugo Brown for the admirable initiatives. I was delighted to be able to arrange for them to have a 'world premiere' of their fabulous animated films. The boys showed remarkable skill in creating the film show. I am sure that Nick Parks' monopoly on this genre is not as secure as it once was. This may be the start of a glittering career for these two film makers. The film showing raised £77.45 which will be donated to the Teenage Cancer Trust. My thanks and congratulations to them both for their splendid efforts.

The recent fun run was a splendid event, magnificently organised as always by the Parents' Association. There was a very impressive turn out and the sponsor money is beginning to come in. So far I have received just under £1000. I would like to give a special mention to Aston Barringer, who has handed an impressive cheque for £444 to the school. If you have not yet collected up the money owing I would be most grateful if this could be done by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> of June. I will then be able to give the final total raised by the event. As I am sure that you remember the beneficiaries will be Help for Heroes and the Royal Marsden Cancer Hospital, two very worthy causes, so do please be as generous as possible.

It seems hard to imagine, but as half term approaches we will soon be entering the 'concert season'. The various plays and events will support the Children's Trust as always, so do please make a small contribution to the retiring collections of these events.

On a personal note I am currently arranging with the assistance of Helplanka to visit our twin school St Anthony's in Sri Lanka and to spend some time teaching and working in the school at the beginning of the summer holidays. I hope my visit will pave the way for closer links with the school and that it will be the first of a number of exchange visits, initially for staff, but who knows, we may even be able to arrange something like a cricket tour for the boys! I will have a better idea of the feasibility of this on my return. I would like to take examples of pupils' work and a video diary of Homefield with me. One other suggestion has been for me to take laptop computers. I hope to have more information and details, so do please get in touch if you have any suggestions or ideas. I can then liaise with Helplanka and make the necessary arrangements.

Our fund raising for the year is currently just over £6500, but with more fun run money I hope that we can significantly increase this total. When I have more details I will pass this on. My thanks as always to the boys and their parents for their generosity.

**Mr M Till**

### **Visit to Malawi**

Mark, Sara, Hannah, Josh, Sam and Joel Goodman would like to thank you for your support of their trip to Malawi; the school

for pens and sports equipment and parents for stationery and toys which meant we were able to give each of the orphans a pack with paper, a pen, pencil and other stationery and craft items. The orphans are so pleased as they don't normally have anything to write with.

Thank you so much for your and the school's support of us and the people in Malawi. All the people we visited and helped were so grateful.

Please see the attached newsletter for full details of our visit to Lapson's Orphanage.

**Mrs S Goodman**

### **Homefield Association**

#### **Bollywood Bash 26<sup>th</sup> June 8.00pm-1.00am**

If you haven't heard about the Bollywood Bash or you are considering coming along, I thought I would entice you with some detail of what's in store!...

As you arrive you will be greeted by a drinks reception and the serene sounds of Jonathan Mayer, the world famous Sitar player. Son of the late Indian composer and Indo-Jazz Fusions founder John Mayer, Jonathan studied sitar from Clem Alford (the first ever European sitar player) and Ustad Wajahat Khan (direct descendent of Mia Tansen the great musician, one of the nine jewels in Moghul court of Emperor Akbar). Jonathan is currently one of the most versatile sitarists in the world, having studied both Indian and western music. His ability to read western notation has enabled him to work on many collaborations and the wide range of artists Jonathan has worked with reflects the diversity in his playing. Such artists include the BBC Concert Orchestra, Kumar Bose, Bombay Dub Orchestra, Future Sounds of London, Sarah Brightman, Noel Gallagher, and Sir Paul McCartney.

Guests will be able to have their palm read by Jane Shaw Cunningham, a Psychic specializing in Indian culture and philosophies, whilst a buffet curry including dessert and coffee is served. The dance floor will then transport you to Bollywood with a show from Tridhara, an International dance trio specialising in North Indian Classical Dance. The lead dancer Showmi Das has choreographed for London theatres and most recently for the Commonwealth Games Baton Relay 2009 at Buckingham Palace. Her most acquired audiences included Tony Blair, David Cameron and Her Majesty the Queen.

A raffle and live auction will include the chance to win many fabulous prizes, such as a flight to Le Touquet, a dance lesson with Showmi Das, a voucher for 4 to play Golf at Kingswood and the chance for your son to be Headmaster for the day!



The evening would not of course be complete without the chance for you to boogie to the DJ and yes there will be some Bollywood tunes!

Tickets for this event are great value at £50 per person (before 4<sup>th</sup> June) and tables are for 8, 10 or 12 people. Please complete the ticket flyer attached with Headlines and return to the school with your payment asap. If you would like to go but do

not have a table please state this on your ticket form and we will arrange a table for you.

If you are lucky enough to be an 'old parent' we have a special offer available – if you are planning to attend the Bollywood Bash the school is offering attendance at the Friends of Homefield and Old Boys' dinner on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July, free of charge. To book your place at the Old Boys' dinner, please email Mrs White: [sabine.white@homefield.sutton.sch.uk](mailto:sabine.white@homefield.sutton.sch.uk).

### Fun Day Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2010

We are very excited about this one and hope the boys will be too! This afternoon takes place during school time and will include many fun activities - a Laser Quaser, Human Table football, a bouncy castle, assault course, merry-go-round, candy floss, ice cream, face painting, funfair games and a penalty shoot out.

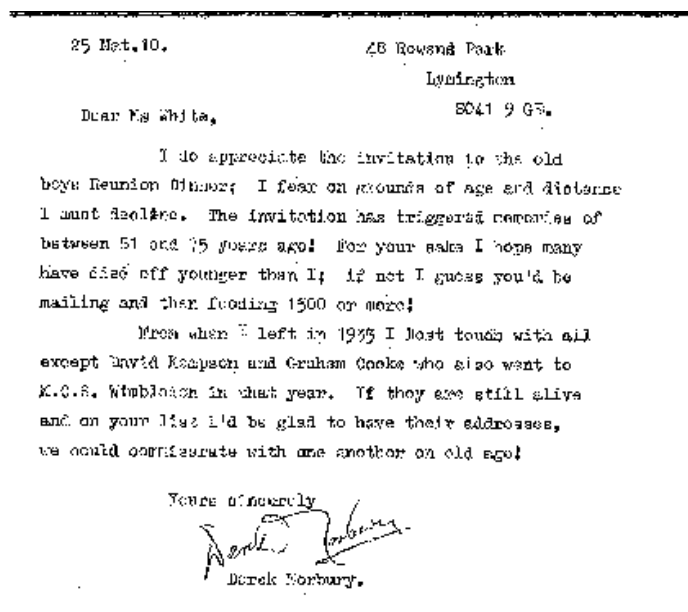
There will be lots of fun for all ages and the boys will attend the fun day in their year groups during allocated time slots. We do however need any parent volunteers who are able to spend half an hour or more helping supervise on the day – please email [sioaban.barringer@zaggy.co.uk](mailto:sioaban.barringer@zaggy.co.uk) if you are able to help.

Any questions regarding these events please email me. Hope to see you at the Bollywood Bash!

**Nicola Rahman**  
(Chair of Homefield Association)  
[rahmannicola@yahoo.com](mailto:rahmannicola@yahoo.com)

### Old Boys' and Friends of Homefield Reunion

Invitations have gone out to all our Old Boys and their parents to attend our annual reunion, which will take place this year on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 7.00 pm. Should you not have received your invitation, please email the school office staff who will be delighted to forward you the invitation letter. We are looking forward to welcoming you once more.



*A delightful letter from a Homefield 'Old Boy'*

**Sabine White**

### Parental Parking

Could parents refrain from parking in the private car park behind Christopher Court (corner of Tate and Western Road). Any parents parking in this area may be subject to their car being clamped.

**Mr M Till**

### The Early Years' Unit Kindergarten

This term we welcomed Alexander Kudiabor into the Ducks class. Over the last six weeks the boys have enjoyed finding out about different sorts of transport. We have talked about holding hands with an adult when out and through role play have practised 'crossing the road'. We have played a 'traffic light' game in P.E. and made 'traffic light' iced biscuits. The boys have enthusiastically taken part in wheel printing, making model vehicles using recyclable materials, printing trains and creating wave patterns in paint using fingers and combs.

Now the sun is shining we have been busy planting radish, carrot and sunflower seeds. The boys have been watching their development closely and given them lots of TLC.

We hope the sun shines during the half term break and you all have lots of fun.

**Mrs Grange and Miss Edwards**

### Nursery

What a busy half term Nursery have had travelling all over the world on various types of transport. The boys have particularly enjoyed this topic. They started the half term discussing transport on foot and have explored the different ways they could move. On the way the boys have enjoyed travelling by boat, train, road vehicles and bikes. They are now zooming to space and are meeting many aliens on the way!

In literacy the boys have been introduced to almost all the Jolly Phonic Sounds. They are beginning to blend them to form words and have been practising thinking of words that begin with different initial sounds. The boys have all had the chance to practise emergent writing but it would be of benefit to practise some more at home!

In Numeracy the boys have continued to work on their numbers as well as learning new mathematical language. The focus has been on positional language and opposites.

As always the boys have thoroughly enjoyed their cooking sessions, especially eating the end products (with a few tastes on the way!). They have made pinwheel sandwiches, train biscuits, jelly boats, fresh lemonade and rock cakes.

At last the weather has started to improve so the boys are very excited about spending even more time outside. They are looking forward to more adventures next half term including a visit to the farm and sports day.

**Miss Kingsford, Mrs Muller and Mrs Evans**

### Transition

What a lovely start we have had to the Summer Term with the arrival of our four chicks! It has also been a joy to see the sunshine, which has given everyone the opportunity to do great activities outside as well as being involved in our WOW scheme of walking to school.

Our topic for this half of the term has been Food. We have discussed healthy foods and the importance of keeping healthy. The boys have enjoyed talking about and looking at different foods from around the world. We have also been finding out

about where our food comes from which led to us keeping eggs for hatching and having a visit from Mr Dawkins and his bee hive.

We are continuing to improve every day in our reading and writing. Our confidence has grown and we are attempting to write sentences by ourselves. We have enjoyed reading stories related to our topic and writing. We now know most of our key words and we have been trying hard to spell them.

In Numeracy we have been adding and subtracting using three numbers, practising telling the time, using a 100 number square, learning our ordinal numbers while practising for sports day.

This half term we have particularly enjoyed our Cafe role play and taking the teachers orders of food and drink. They are most certainly the best waiters we have come across!!

We are pleased to announce that George Liddle was the lucky winner of the Barnado's Bear.

We are all looking forward to coming back to school to enjoy a very busy last term in Transition. We are already getting excited about our trip to Bird World, Sports day, our new topic Transport and many more exciting activities.

**Transition boys on behalf of Miss Waddy and Mrs Whiteway**

### **Summer Camp 2010**

As you are aware we are hoping to run a summer camp from 12<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> July. To be able to go ahead we need to know the numbers of boys attending by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June. The camp will be guaranteed to run when 20 boys are registered. Please talk to us in person or email us as soon as possible.

If you have already emailed to confirm a place please send back the form with a cheque.

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### **The Junior Department**

The highlight of this half term must be the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year play, "The Goblin Next Door", which went really well. Well done boys! We now eagerly await the third year concert on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Another couple of events to look forward to are the Junior Department Open Afternoon (for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> years) on June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2 p.m. and Sports Day on June 29<sup>th</sup> at 1.30 p.m. We hope that as many people as possible will be able to attend these occasions.

The Year 1 and 2 boys were very pleased that 130 boys and girls from Robin Hood Infant and Sutton High School had come to watch their dress rehearsal. Their young audience was a very enthusiastic one!

### **The First Year**

What a great performance by all the birds, insects and woodland animals! We were really proud of all the first years and would like to thank Mr Meyers for all his hard work practising the songs and dances.

"I was an owl and I liked singing our song" – Joel Ajay

"I was a green slug. I liked doing my dance and watching the spiders dance" – Harry Mawson

"I was a squirrel and best of all I liked saying the poems because I said the title and the end bit!"- Kheyana Patel

Many thanks to the second year teachers for masterminding the production!

The boys were all very enthusiastic participants in the Walk to School Week – and they have drawn some lovely pictures of things they see on their way.

Thank you for returning the permission forms for our outing to Hever Castle. We are very much looking forward to the day and we are sure the boys will enjoy learning about the Tudors and having great fun. Let's hope the sun continues to shine!

Have a lovely Half Term break.

**Mrs Goodbody, Mrs Gunningham and Miss Buchanan**

### **The Second Year**

Another half term has almost reached its end and still the boys continue to impress us with how hard they are able to work and by how much progress they have made in a few short weeks.

Figuring large in our lives has been the Junior Department play, "The Goblin Next Door". The boys have performed tremendously well! This is the first time that Year 2 boys have assumed the lead roles in the Summer production and we are thrilled how well they have stepped up to the mark. Each boy has given their best effort performing the dances, words and actions. We are very proud of them all.

The boys have continued to make sound progress in their core subjects. Our focus has been to develop their independent writing skills, reading comprehension and mathematical thinking. We are very pleased with the boys' achievements this year. Parents will have noticed, we are sure, the sound improvement made by their sons in these skills.

The after-school clubs continue to be very well attended and enjoyed by their members. We are extremely happy with the results of the boys' efforts in their chosen interests.

Lots for the boys to look forward to next half term with Sports Day, Open afternoon and our outing to Gatton Park!

Enjoy a well-earned rest, boys!

**Mrs Burgess, Mrs Connaughton and Mrs Lyndham**

### **The Third Year**

This half term has flown by with the boys working very hard in the classroom and on the sports field.

The Fun Run was a great event that Year 3 boys really got involved in, with an excellent turn out on the day. Thank you boys!

In Geography, we have been looking at the features of the local area. The boys have become more observant about the areas they live in. The boys have also had wonderful participation in walking or cycling to school during the WOW WEEK initiative.

During Games the boys have been getting ready for Sports Day and have been excitedly learning new skills to compete in relay races and sprints. They have enjoyed improving their cricket skills and some boys will be playing in fixtures next half term.

Our Third year boys have now started rehearsing for their concert that will take place on Thursday 24th June at 6.30pm. The 3<sup>rd</sup> years will be performing instrumental solos and recorder pieces in the first half and giving a costumed performance of the baseball musical 'The Artful Dodger' in the second half.

Our final outing this year is to Nonsuch Mansion House on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June. We are looking forward to it and hoping for fine weather for a picnic.

**Mr Medley and Mr Murani**

## Homefield Heroes

**1H Joel Ajay** for a great performance in our Summer Play. Well done Joel!

**1P Ibraheem Baig** for a great performance in our Summer Play. Well done Ibraheem!

**1S Kheyana Patel** for a great performance in our Summer Play. Well done Kheyana!

**2H Amaan Afridi** for super organisation and awareness in the play. Thank you, Amaan.

**2P Rohan Patel** for excellent results in his times tables and spelling tests each week and the fabulous effort he always puts into his work.

**2P Omar Rahman** for super presentation of your literacy work. Well done!

**2P Oliver Grimond** for excellent awareness and timing in the play.

**2S Mikail Raza** for being so helpful at rehearsals and excellent contributions to discussions in the class.

**2S Adam Choudhury** for superb chorus and solo singing in our play.

**3H Amir Shivdasani** for putting so much effort into his work and being very responsible.

**3S Stephen Banh** for continued focus and concentration in lessons.

## Competitions

### Junior Maths Challenge

Earlier this term the boys in U6H and L6H took part in a Junior Maths Challenge. This is special quiz designed for able mathematicians in years 7 and 8. We have just received their results. All the boys scored good marks, but 19 of them earned certificates for particularly high marks.

Well done to all the boys who took part!

The certificates will be awarded to:

#### Gold:

B Dhingra, S Yip, R Yip, Q Afghani, D Sun, J Forsdick, A Sharma, H Brandreth, N Bommayya, R Patel, N Inkester and N Jelcic

#### Silver:

J Vincent and M Melconian

#### Bronze:

D D'Mello, T Taylor, C Allen, J Hughes and T Gunningham

Four of the boys, Balraj, Sam, Hugh and Nishant scored high enough marks to be put through to the second round – the Junior Maths Olympiad – which will take place shortly after half term. Well done! Good luck in the Olympiad!!

**Mr N Dawson**

## Green Issues

### Walk to School Week

Well done to the boys, parents and staff who have made a real effort to walk to and from school as many times as they could for the Walk to School week.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> years made sure Mr Mowbray walked every day and Mr Girdler even convinced his cat Ean to join in with the campaign. An amazing 1712 “walk to school” journeys were made last week, giving us an 87% score.

The following forms and tutor groups must be congratulated for scoring 100%, every boy in their form having walked either to or from school, Monday to Friday: 1P, 3H, Bomfords 1, Bomfords 4, Ellis 3, Grays 2, Grays 3, Grays 4 and Walfords 1. The boys from these classes will each receive a small prize and we shall have to wait and see if the London Borough of Sutton awards Homefield any further prizes!

The boys have also entered a poetry competition linked to the theme of walking to school and again we shall have to see if any of our budding poets is awarded a prize.

## Cycling

If you have recently visited the school, you will have noticed that a cycle path has now been built around the school field. It has been “inaugurated” this week by the boys attending the cycling club on Mondays after school and they have loved displaying their skills under the watchful eye of Trevor Lenthall, the cycling coach.

These courses will be continuing after half-term.

Once more, we shall be running a cycle proficiency level 1 course on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July, Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July, from 11am to midday. This course, limited to 12 boys and is open to pupils from L4th to U6th. If you are interested, please e-mail me at [sabine.white@homefield.sutton.sch.uk](mailto:sabine.white@homefield.sutton.sch.uk).

Please keep on supporting the WoW scheme and please do not park on the single yellow lines at the front of the school as it endangers our boys.

**Sabine White**

## Music

This has been a rather busy few days in the music department. There have been two year group concerts with 45 solo performances, songs, percussion ensemble pieces, recorder pieces and songs and rounds. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Years have performed wonderfully in their production of ‘The Goblin Next Door’ and 40 boys have taken music exams at school. I hope you will forgive me for a brief report this week!

If any parents have a good group picture of the Lower 4 or Upper 4 concerts I'd be grateful if they could be e mailed to me for the full report after half term.

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## Jazz Zone Course

There is a non-residential Jazz Course taking place for players of woodwind and brass who are Grade 4+ at Shrewsbury House School daily from 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> August. With excellent tutors this looks like a great opportunity to gain experience of playing Big Band, small groups and even Brazilian percussion.

More details [www.jazzzone.co.uk](http://www.jazzzone.co.uk)

Have a good half term

**Mr A Meyers**

## English

The English Department has been delighted with the numbers of excellent English results included in the passes and Scholarships already achieved by boys in the school, though many more will have to sit their Common Entrance in June.

Mr Girdler and his cohorts are preparing an excellent set for the Fawltly Towers play at the end of term. Everyone was thrilled at the arrival of the legendary smoke machine from Amazon, for when Basil sets fire to the steaks. We have to wait for the script books to arrive from the BBC but once they do, rehearsals will

proceed apace, probably on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Watch this space.

Other news is that the school has spent a considerable sum of money on a special Key Stage 3 English section for the Library. This now only awaits the arrival of the relevant shelving units before the boys have access to it. This, I hope, will encourage boys to read widely and thus not only sustain but increase the numbers of boys obtaining Scholarships but excellent Common Entrance passes in years to come.

**Mr M Brett**

### **Senior Book Swap**

The Book Swap last year was very successful with lots of great books being swapped. After school on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June we are holding the Book Swap in the Learning Resources Centre for all boys in the Senior Department. After half term boys can bring in up to three books and receive a Book Swap token for each book. The tokens can be used to claim books at the Book Swap. Boys may donate extra books if they would like to but will not get more than three Book Swap tokens.

Books can be given to Mrs Dawson, Mrs Kurn, Mrs Munks or myself.

**Mrs K Merryman**

### **Art**

Congratulations to the Year 3 boys for designing and painting the scenery for the junior play 'The Goblin Next Door'. This provided a wonderful backdrop for the boys' stunning performance.

The Upper 6th boys are now designing something very special for their production of "Fawlty Towers". The Upper 6th boys are also now designing and printing their "leaving hoodies". These will be worn proudly for the first time when we conquer a mountain in Keswick!

Many congratulations to the 5 boys awarded art scholarships; equalling the department record and giving me an extra smile in the interdepartmental competition!

Unfortunately, due to exams, trips, sporting events and scenery painting, there will be no Art club after half term until September. My apologies but I have checked the calendar and we have fallen victim to the busy schedule.

**Mr J Girdler**

### **Classics**

First and foremost we must congratulate our scholarship students who have recently achieved some wonderful results in their final examinations. Of particular note, Sam Yip's efforts in Latin and Dennis Sun's efforts in Ancient Greek and Latin were very impressive. The scholars are now utilising their skills in more difficult realms of translating original texts like Caesar's Gallic Wars, and in historical investigations on the writings of Plutarch. Overall, these students' hard work and commitment has served them well as they anticipate future studies.

Switching to other matters, the Lower 4 classes will be undertaking a day trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace after the examination period, on 18<sup>th</sup> June. More details will be forthcoming after the half-term break, but the students are already looking forward to it with great anticipation.

**Mr M McCaffery**

### **French**

Well done to all the boys who have passed their scholarship exams with flying colours! They have now just finished reading a version of "L'Avare" by Molière and are hoping to act some of it later in the term.

The Common Entrance candidates have already sat their listening and speaking examinations, just the reading and writing left after half-term; so serious revision of vocabulary and grammar please now!

The L6th boys are getting ready for their 5-day trip to France and to their pen-friends on 14<sup>th</sup> June and on 9<sup>th</sup> June three French pupils from the Lycée Ombrosa in Lyon will be arriving at Homefield for their 3 weeks' stay with three of our pupils.

Finally some L4th and U4th are taking part in the Junior Language challenge competition and will be trying to score as many points as possible whilst learning Italian to try to qualify for the semi-final. Good luck to them!

**Sabine White, Nicolas Soltysik, Andrée Quayle**

### **Prize Giving in July**

Author Tom Palmer visited Homefield in October to talk to Year 3 and all of the senior boys. We had a great day including exciting penalty shoot-outs.

The books that Tom writes are about football and he is doing a lot of work with the National Literacy Trust regarding the World Cup. Therefore, we are very pleased that Tom has agreed to be our guest of honour at prize giving in July.

**Mrs K Merryman**

### **Sports**

#### **Epsom Super Teams**

On Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, in the very last Epsom Super Teams (in its current format) the U13 Homefield team emphatically won the competition. The heat did not prevent Dinos Kalognomas winning the cricket ball throw or Nathan Inkester winning the steeple chase, in fact the amount of first and second places in each discipline are too many to mention but a superb effort by the U13 team leaves their name on the historic trophy. Well done all of you.

#### **U13 Champions:-**

Sam Yip, Daniel Park, Nathan Inkester, Dinos Kalognomas, Fola Oki

The U9 and U11 teams also worked their socks off with some super individual performances by Tishe Sokan (second in the U11 100m despite being under 10!!) and Marcus Sotoriou who was superb in the shuttle run event.

#### **U11 Team:-**

Marcus Sotoriou, Tishe Sokan, Tommy Highwood, Ben Higgs and Louis Brown.

#### **U9 Team:-**

Konrad Zielinski, Lois Vasili, Joel Goodman and Luke Saitch enjoyed their time in the sun competing in such events as air rifle, swimming and hockey.

Thanks to Mr Judd and Mr Strong for their hard work on the Sunday afternoon.

Well done boys

**Mr D Matthews**

## Athletics Match v Chinthurst and Hawthorns



*Sporting action from the athletics meeting*

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May, Homefield hosted a match in three different age groups.

The **U10s** (L4) had some event winners in Konrad Zielinski (high jump and 200m); Harry Bulkeley (cricket ball); Sanjay Patel (hurdles) and Joel Goodman (long jump).

Chinthurst won the relay with Homefield second, ensuring a three-way tie on 67 points for the U10 group.

The **U12s** (U4/5<sup>th</sup>) had two winners in Tishe Sokan (100m) and Jack Hopper (high jump), with Liam Grant and Ben Aldous achieving 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the hurdles. Hawthorns dominated this age group with 88 points to our 60, despite an excellent relay race where we were 'pipped' on the line.

The **U14s** (L6/U6) always looked our best bet for results and winners were Omar Malik (javelin & hurdles); Daniel Park (200m & 400m) and Nathan Inkester (800m) won by 20 seconds. There were also second places for Nathan (400m); Dinos Kalagnomas (hurdles); Sam Yip (100m) and Marko Ravic (javelin). This gave the seniors a massive 89 points with Hawthorns next on 58.

Overall, the final relay win over Hawthorns ensured that Homefield were first with 216 to 213. Chinthurst (last year's winners) scored 178. Many thanks to the whole team for their performances and special thanks to the Games Department who made the event run so efficiently.

**Mr R Strong**

### Under 10 'A' Team cricket vs Feltonfleet

The Homefield U10s got back to winning ways in emphatic style on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. They faced Feltonfleet on a beautiful sunny day at Effingham cricket club and the text book batting of Jimmy O'Brien (25) put the boys in a commanding position. Achal Srivastav carried his bat for 24 not out with an excellent partnership with Yasith Senanayke (20) leaving the opposition with a huge total of 114 to chase. The bowling attack

proved far too good for Feltonfleet, with ten boys bowling (Jimmy O'Brien at wicket keeper) the whole team bowled the opposition out for just 87 runs. Jaimin Patel took a diving catch off of the very last ball to ensure the victory but all the bowlers figures were fantastic. Most notably:

Jaimin 2 for just 7 runs  
Yasith 2 for just 7 runs  
Ash 1 for just 13 run  
Ben 1 for just 3 runs!

Well done to the whole team, an excellent performance.

**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

The first three regular games of the year have produced some exciting cricket with Homefield competing well against Willington, Aberdour and a talented Hawthorns team.

Homefield bowled well against Willington. Joshua Ajay was outstanding (three wickets for thirteen) in his three overs. He was well supported 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 four 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, again 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.

**Mr L.Nellthorp**

### **1<sup>st</sup> XI Cricket**

Hawthorns 155 – 7 ( Q.Afghan 4 for 29)

Homefield 156 – 7 ( P.O'Brien 26\*)

Won by 3 wickets

On Wednesday May 26 we played a 25 over match at Hawthorns. On a good batting pitch with a fast outfield Hawthorns scored 155 with Qasim Afghan taking 4 wickets in his 5 overs.

In reply Josh Vincent, Umar Ahmed, Qasim Afghan, Jack Tyler and Peter O'Brien all made useful contributions before Daniel Park hit the winning boundary with just 2 balls to spare in an exciting finish.

After half term there will be a Surrey Cup fixture against the winner of Aberdour and Milbourne Lodge; the date will be fixed when we know who we are playing.

**Mr C Lloyd**

### **U13 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Homefields' 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.

**Mr L Nellthorp**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> 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

Feltonfleet 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		

Well done to all the boys who have played so far this term. There have been some splendid individual performances: notably David Sandler scoring almost 100 runs from his bat; 18 catches and five run-outs, with Sam Goodman shading the 'competition' for best fielder with Ben Adey very close behind.

#### **Mr R Strong**

#### **Squash**

The club members have started the Summer Homefield championships and are battling for the under-11 and under-13 titles.

Individual successes: **Ben Adey** is 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!

#### **Sabine White**

#### **Hockey**

Team photographs are now available to view in the Sports Department. Copies can be ordered by contacting Penuel photography: [www.penuelphotography.co.uk](http://www.penuelphotography.co.uk)

#### **Karate**

Congratulations to our Homefield Karate students who competed in the Cardiff Internationals last Saturday, May 15th. 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. Our 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 Bulkeley a Bronze. William Gurney fought well and was extremely unlucky in his sparring competition narrowly missing a bronze.



*Proud Snow Herons medal recipients*

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!

#### **London Snow Herons Activity Days**

There will be archery on offer at Sutton and Epsom rugby club during the London Snow Herons Activity Days. We will be holding charity sessions for our Grandmaster Seminar appeal on Tuesday June 1st, Wednesday June 2nd and Thursday June 3rd. 9:30-10:30 and 12:30-1:30. 6 students per session maximum. £8 per session. All bookings please phone Faith Andrews. 07809 725948. Email [snowheronsfh@hotmail.com](mailto:snowheronsfh@hotmail.com)

#### **Ms F Andrews**

#### **Football Boots and Plimsolls**

The Uniform Shop will be ordering and supplying football boots and plimsolls for the Autumn Term for boys in or entering the Junior Department only and ask that you make an appointment through the school office early in the holiday for a fitting with your son. The shop will also be open without appointments on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September from 9.00am – 1.00pm and from 2.00-5.00pm and again on the first day of term from 3.00 – 5.30pm.

#### **Mrs M Jeans and Mrs J Mapp**