Monday 29 April 2019

News

• Imperial College visited our Fifth Form last Thursday morning. The year group has been involved in a study called SCAMP since the 3rds and followed up on that. CAMP is a cohort study following several thousand secondary school pupils across London from year 7 through to year 9. The study aims to investigate whether children’s use of mobile phones and/or other technologies which use radio waves, e.g. portable landline phones and wireless internet, might affect their cognitive or behavioural development, e.g. attention, memory, language understanding. SCAMP will be the largest study in the world to date to address this important research question.

The SCAMP team thanked our pupils for their help and invited them to a careers day at Imperial College next year when they would also be asked to participate in one more survey to finalize the research.

• A fantastic performance from Alex Yan (L6W) saw him presented with a Gold Award in the AS Challenge organised by the British Physics Olympiad (BPhO) at the Awards afternoon held at The Royal Society. There were 6,000 entrants in the AS Challenge and Alex was one of just six pupils to receive a Gold Award. Many congratulations to Alex.

• Very well done to Anish Odedra (3N) and Amber Zeng-Scatchard (3N) for coming 1st and 4th respectively at the Regional German Spelling Bee. They have made it through to the National Final at Cambridge University in June.

• Congratulations to all Speech pupils who took a LAMDA exam at the end of last term. Everyone achieved a Merit or a Distinction. Particularly outstanding Grade 8 Distinctions were achieved by Malini Sachdeva-Masson, Praise Olawanle, Anjali Tohani, Mustafa Lodhi, Jude Panter, Oliver Draper, Savraj Sian, Taliesin Prole, Omar Al-Mizan, Arman Malik, Claudia Joarder, Rohin Satchithananda, Kail Francis, Lewis Shine, Alina Schumacher and Leah Velleman.

• On Sunday, the School played host to the Annual St. George’s Day Parade of the Epping Forest South Scout District. Despite the drizzle it was well attended with approximately 500 people present. Congratulations go to our Cub Scout leader Beryl Sharma who received a Chief Scout Commendation for Good Service.

Calendar and Forthcoming Events

• Tickets are now available for this summer’s PA “Hollywood Glitz” Ball which will be held on Saturday 1 June, in the Great Hall. Tickets are £75 per person, which includes reception drinks and canapés as well as a three course dinner, dancing to a live band and a casino. There will be a licenced bar and
opportunities to bid for prizes. To book tickets, please contact papia-c@hotmail.com or phone 07886 425409.

This year the PA is asking for your help as they are looking for donations of prizes for an auction, which the PA hopes will raise a record-breaking amount. They need your generosity to help by donating either a product or a service which can then be auctioned at the Ball. Prizes they would welcome include: tickets, experiences, high value goods, signed memorabilia, jewellery, meals, holidays, VIP opportunities, etc. If you are able to donate an auction prize, then please contact Violet El Khamlichi, as soon as possible, on violetkhamlichi@aol.com or 07766 880099.

On Thursday this week we have Kate Paterson, the Royal Academy of Music’s Professor of Vocal Studies and professional opera singer, leading an opera workshop from 6.30pm to 8.30pm; she will be working on scenes from The Magic Flute and Hansel and Gretel.

- Please note that the L6 Geography fieldtrip shown in the printed calendar as leaving on Tuesday 4 June and returning on Friday 7 June, will actually return on Saturday 8 June.

**Monday 29 April**
- **L6 internal exams start**

**Tuesday 30 April**
- 12.30-1.10pm Classical Society: Fun With Principal Parts (GCSE Latin pupils)
- 1.50pm 5th Form PSE “Diversity Role Models” talk
- 1.55-3.15pm UKMT Junior Maths Challenge

**Wednesday 1 May**
- 9.00am U4 French Study Trip to BFI Southbank
- 4.00-8.30pm Cambridge Physics Lecture: “Crossrail and other large tunnels around the world”

**Thursday 2 May**
- 4.30-6.30pm Music Junction workshop at Drapers’ Academy
- 6.30-8.30pm Opera Scenes Workshop
- Eve U4 Drama GCSE trip to Top Girls by Caryl Churchill (National Theatre)
  *Addition to calendar*

**Friday 3 May**
- L6 internal exams end
- 8.00am-4.00pm U4 Spanish study trip to BFI Southbank
- 7.00pm-10.00pm OBA Five and Ten Year Reunion

**Monday 6 May**
- **Week 1**
- Bank Holiday – School closed

**Tuesday 7 May**
- 8.40am-3.10pm Art A-Level exam
- 7.00pm Dinner for Housemasters and Heads of House

**Wednesday 8 May**
- 8.40am-3.10pm Art A-Level exam
Thursday 9 May
8.40am-3.10pm  Art A-Level exam
7.00pm           Music Junction Final Concert (Cadogan Hall)

Friday 10 May
3.50pm           Fifth Form Study leave begins
7.00pm           Bancroft’s Singers’ Anniversary event

Saturday 11 May
10.00am-12 noon  7+ Open Morning
9.30am           Bancroft’s Singers’ Anniversary event

Sports Results and News

Cricket
The 1st XI enjoyed a win against Shenfield in their opening fixture of the season, with Vice Captain Zain Piracha scoring 44 runs. Fortunes were mixed in Saturday’s block fixture with Forest, with wins for both the U13 and U14 teams. Strong performances came from Alex Agedah (71 for the 1st XI); Ismail Patel (45 runs for the U14s); William Packer and Nikhil Roy-Mukherjee (54 and 37 respectively for the U13s) and Henry Knight marking his debut for the U12s with 50 runs.

Tennis
The tennis season got off to a busy start this week with a variety of boys’ and girls’ fixtures. East House pipped School House to the Senior Girls Inter-House trophy; it was a close-run tournament and it went down to games difference in the end, as the two Houses were tied on wins. The U13 and U15 Boys’ National Schools teams won their matches against Normanhurst, with the U13s cruising to a 5-1 win and the U15s going to a tense tie-break shoot-out. Fifteen girls’ pairs across all age groups competed against Queenswood on Saturday, with the U14s and U15s both winning 6-3, and the U12s, U13s and Seniors narrowly losing 4-5. Congratulations to the following pairs who were undefeated: Suna Shakir and Lorena Saravana; Tomisin Awoyode and Bunty Stanton; Simran Chadda and Lottie Gillett; Anja Schumacher and Maha Dannawi.

Sports Fixtures and Events

Cricket
Monday 29 April
4.00pm  U12 v Little Ilford, Essex Cup round 1
        New fixture

Wednesday 1 May
2.00pm  1st XI v Mill Hill (A, NW7 1QS)
2.00pm  2nd XI v Mill Hill (H)

Saturday 4 May
10.00am  2nd XI v Chigwell (H)
10.00am  U14A & B v Chigwell (West Grove)
10.00am  1st XI, U15A, U13A, U13BV & U12A v Chigwell (A, IG7 6QF)

Wednesday 8 May
2.00pm  1st XI v Ilford CHS (Home)
Thursday 9 May
2.30pm U15A v Brentwood (West Grove)

Friday 10 May
2.00pm Thirds’ interhouse (week 1)

Saturday 11 May
10.00am U14B, U12A & U12B v Brentwood (A, CM15 8EE)
10.00am U13A & U13B v Brentwood (A, CM15 8EE)
10.30am 1st XI & 2nd XI v Brentwood (A, CM15 8EE)
1.00pm U14A v Brentwood (H)

Tennis
Tuesday 30 April
2.00pm Girls’ U13 A & B v Clapton Girls’ Academy, National Schools Tennis (A, E5 0RB)
3.15pm Boys’ U13A & B v St Paul’s (West Grove)
3.30pm Boys’ U18 v Berkhamsted, National Schools Tennis (West Grove)

Wednesday 1 May
2.00pm Girls’ Seniors (6 pairs ) v Chigwell (A, IG7 6QF)
4.15pm Boys’ & girls’ U12 & U13 v Davenant (West Grove)

Thursday 2 May
2.00pm Boys’ U12, U13, U14 Road to Wimbledon Singles Tournament (West Grove)
4.00pm Girls’ U15 v Chigwell (A, IG7 6QF)

Saturday 4 May
8.30am -1.00pm Girls’ U12, U13, U14 Road to Wimbledon Singles Tournament (West Grove)

Tuesday 7 May
2.00pm Girls’ U14 v Brentwood (West Grove)
4.15pm Boys’ and girls’ U12 & U13 v Highgate (West Grove)

Wednesday 8 May
2.30pm Senior girls & boys v Davenant (West Grove)
4.15pm Boys’ & girls’ U14 & U15 v Davenant (West Grove)

Thursday 9 May
2.00pm Girls’ U15B v Haileybury (A, SG13 7NU)
2.30pm Girls’ U15 v Brentwood (A, CM15 8EE)
4.15pm Boys’ U15 v Roding Valley, National Schools (West Grove)

Friday 10 May
2.30pm Girls U12 v Brentwood (A, CM15 8EE)
**Athletics**

**Saturday 4 May**
9.30am    Girls’ U12-U15 v Brentwood (A, CM15 8EE)

**Wednesday 8 May**
4.30pm    Boys’ & girls’ U12-U15 Bancroft’s relays (Ashton Playing Fields)

**Saturday 11 May**
9.30am    Girls’ U12-U15 v New Hall (A, CM3 3HS)
9.30am    Boys’ U12-U15 v Brentwood (A, CM15 8EE)

**Karting**

**Saturday 4 May**    Regional Finals (Buckmore Park Kart Circuit, ME5 9QG)

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