



INTRODUCTION



I am writing to you on Friday 13th (unlucky for some of our political leaders this morning) and I am pleased to report that I feel like the luckiest and most privileged School Principal, looking back on my first calendar year at Ewell Castle. We have just enjoyed the Christmas Cabaret at Bourne Hall, where our multi-talented youngsters sang, danced, strummed and joked their way through a packed programme of entertainment, and this followed hard on the heels of Whodunnit? our amusing and moustachioed murder mystery. At the Pre-Prep School, I have been enjoying some top-quality Nativity performances and I am looking forward to the Prep Carol Service on the 17th, which promises to be a special evening.

In the sporting arena, our Y8 boys' football team is enjoying a great cup run in the Independent Schools' Football Cup and our Y9 and Y10 Girls' Rugby Team debuted in their first ever competitive match. Across the sporting arena, we continue to punch well above our weight, showing dedication and skill aplenty in a range of team and individual pursuits. A huge thanks to all those parents and competitors who show such commitment on Saturday mornings,

even in adverse weather conditions: our young people are developing resilience and teamwork that they can carry on into their academic challenges.

In September, we launched our new three-year strategic plan. I am pleased to share a few highlights of our progress this term, with you:

- Our Well-being and Resilience Project is gathering momentum as we join up our thinking across a range of different initiatives in the School – it is tentatively titled: From Mental Health to Mental Wealth at Ewell Castle School
- Following consultation with educational author and researcher, Mr Graham Powell, the Ewell Castle Learning Power Group is already firing on all cylinders as colleagues promote and engage teachers and pupils across the Whole School in: creative feedback, managing distractions and higher order thinking skills
- We begin a partnership in January with 7 Billion Ideas <https://www.7billionideas.com/> as we seek to capitalise on our Business Department's excellent "Enterprise Village". Creativity is the number one quality needed for the workplace of 2030, according to the World Economic Forum, which is why it is placed at the front and centre of our strategic direction for the children's learning and personal development

We are sad to be bidding farewell to Mr Milowicki from the Site team, Mrs Roa, Learning Support Assistant at the Senior School, Miss Van Houten as Teacher of Mathematics (maternity cover), as well as Mrs Manville who, as Data Manager & Examinations

Officer, has played a vital role in the School life of our pupils during the 6 years she has been at Ewell Castle.

Recruitment, however, continues apace with the usual ebb and flow of staffing changes and I am delighted to announce the appointment of both external and internally promoted staff. Mrs Lothian-Wyatt is our new Admissions Officer, Mr Angus has joined the Site Team and Mr Wallbank is supporting the PE Department on Saturdays along with Miss Adewale who is joining in January. For the Spring Term we will welcome Ms Parker as Examinations Officer and Mrs Cook as part-time Reception Administrator at the Senior School. Mrs Steedman will also be joining the School as Marketing Assistant and Mr Straw as Site Assistant, both in January 2020. Mrs Daly will be a part-time English and Key Stage 3 History Teacher for the Spring and Summer Terms 2020 while the new Lunchtime Supervisor for the Prep School is Mrs Gentle.

Internally, Miss Garrod has been appointed as the Teaching & Learning Lead at the Prep School and Miss Lloyd is the new Key Stage 2 English Coordinator. At the Senior School, we welcome Ms Walford back from maternity leave as Key Stage 3 Maths Coordinator, Head of Year 8 and Assistant Timetabler. Mr Nugteren has taken on the role of Data Manager alongside his commitments as Teacher of Mathematics and Assistant Timetabler, while Mr Edwards will be Head of Year 10 for the Spring and Summer Terms 2020. Ms Chandran will be moving from Senior School Reception to become the part-time Administrator to the Principal's Office.

As previously announced, Miss Wilkinson will be on sabbatical until

the end of the academic year, in the build up to the 2020 Olympics. Her current classes will be taught by Mr Watkinson and Mrs Daly for History and Mrs Harrison for Politics.

There are so many highlights to look forward to in the Spring Term, including the School Musical at Epsom Playhouse with pupils performing from across the Prep and Senior School. I hope to see a number of you at the next Principal's Breakfast on Thursday 30th January

2020.

For Year 11 and Year 13 pupils, the season of goodwill is inevitably the pre-cursor to the season of mock examinations. I trust that they will all get a proper break, balanced with some measured revision, so that they all return to us refreshed. For the rest of us, when it comes to homework, all I can say is: get lost in a good book; use some mental maths to work out the percentage reductions in the January sales; and

get out to some museums, parks, art galleries, exhibitions, performances and whatever else you do as a family for fun and adventure.

A peaceful Christmas to you all and a prosperous new year.

Silas Edmonds
Principal of Ewell Castle School

CO-CURRICULAR FAIR

The inaugural Co-Curricular Fair took place in the afternoon of Wednesday 4th September, our first day of the School year. Its aim was to give all pupils the opportunity to find out a bit more about the range of activities on offer at Ewell Castle Senior School. Pupils visited over 25 different stalls accompanied by tutors and teaching staff, and some clubs were fully subscribed within the first 15 minutes. We will be looking to repeat this popular and successful event at the beginning of the next academic year to ensure pupils make the most of the opportunities that being part of Ewell Castle School affords them.

Mr B Essenhigh



YEAR 7 TEAM BUILDING TRIP

After only a week of School, the new Year 7's went on their first school trip to Go Ape and Laser Tag.

We left on two coaches in the morning. Everyone was chattering with excitement.

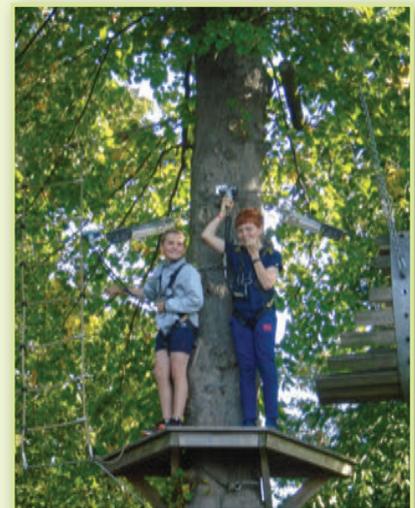
After what seemed like ages, we arrived at Go Ape.

We had the choice of a long and short course. We did the long course. It was about 10 meters high and everyone completed the course without showing any fear.

The best part was the zip line at the end.

After lunch, we hopped back onto the coach for an adrenaline pumping game of laser tag.

It was so much fun, and when the teachers got involved, the game



became competitive. Mr Ballard gave his form class a talk telling us 'We had better win!' Lucky for him - or us, we did! After we were shot at a few times, it was time to get back on the coach to come home.

Thank you for organising such a fun day for us all.

Emily Saiban and Phoebe Yuill



YEAR 9 BUSHCRAFT

Bushcraft 2019, bushcraft is a great experience where you learn lots of new things and take part in fun activities. It is also a great opportunity to learn and be more involved with outdoor activities like: building your own shelter, starting a fire, cooking your own food, learning how to make traps, sharpening wood to use as tent pegs and other fun activities like man hunt etc... The trip was very

beneficial to us because not only did we learn to do all the things above but we also learnt to: work as a team, be more so sociable (no phone rule) and there is also an element of responsibility especially when dealing with with fire. To conclude my friends and I had a great time and we are grateful for this opportunity.

George Noel – Year 9



SIXTH FORM TEAM BUILDING TRIP

On the 12th September the Sixth Former's took part in a team bonding experience in an attempt for the Yr 13's to integrate the new Yr 12 students into the Sixth form through an escape room challenge in Kings Cross. We were split into groups of six and had to complete various tasks, most of them being fairly complex and difficult. From the escape room we then moved on to Coal Drops

Yard, where we had a picnic, "A place where art, commerce and culture come together", whilst at Coal Drops Yard all of the 6th former's had to take part in a photography competition, where the most innovative and original picture won. In conclusion, the Sixth Form Bonding trip was a fun and successful experience.

James Suri

BIOLOGY I FLY TRIP

On Friday 13th September 33 Year 11 pupils went on an ideal out-of-classroom learning experience at the ifly centre in Basingstoke. When we finally arrived after a long coach journey adrenaline rushed through our body as we entered the building. We arrived at the ifly centre in Basingstoke an hour before our flight to check in and go through the pre-flight briefing with our instructor. We went through the basic flying position as well as a couple of hand signals to use in the tunnel, then put on our jump suit and helmet. Watching others go in and come out with amazing reactions was fun. The feeling in the air vent was fantastic. The vertical wind tunnels were incredible. The flight in the wind tunnel was an exhilarating experience.

We then went to the paragliding Virtual Reality. One after the other, we went up and experienced an amazing feeling of being high in the sky flying over mountains and forests. A truly amazing experience.

Finally, we went on to a work shop to learn about the science behind the wind tunnel and the physics of flight, covering syllabus topics including materials, experiments, forces, air resistance, energy transfers, and gathering and recording data.

The whole trip put a smile upon all our faces and we all left with an experience that we would never forget.

Thanks to all the staff involved in planning this wonderful trip and taking us – an experience that will stay with us forever.

Zaeem Navid Year 11

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH SILVER EXPEDITION

This was our fourth Silver Expedition on the New Forest. After a training weekend on the South Downs the boys travelled by train down to Brockenhurst. The route started from there in an environment that was unfamiliar. Silver is a step up from Bronze and the boys are really



left to their own devices. Staff were there to run the expedition and to assess whether they have reached the standard. They were not there to help.

The weather was certainly better than last year and the groups functioned extremely well. A few navigational mistakes were quickly rectified. Unfortunately, wild camping is no longer permitted on the New Forest – apparently a group, unconnected to us, set the area on fire last year. Instead, we stayed at two commercial campsites, which worked very well. The first one near Lyndhurst was especially good as they set aside a remote field in the woods, which replicated the wild experience. The campsite was on an old United States fighter base with plenty of evidence remaining of its wartime role.

All the groups finished with no particular difficulty. It was particularly pleasing to see a few candidates who had struggled on Bronze, but really become organized. They were

better organised, more determined and kept up with the pace. It was also gratifying to see that the lessons learnt on Bronze (especially compass work and camp organisation) had become second nature.

I am currently planning Silver for 2020, which will be in much the same format. There will however be one welcome and overdue change. Ewell Castle has been fully Co-ed for five years and girls are fully integrated into all aspects of school life. The last remaining exception is the Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expedition which no girl has yet attempted. It is the last link with Ewell Castle as an all boy's school. I will shortly be offering the Silver Award to the current Year 10s who are finishing Bronze. I look forward to seeing the first Ewell Castle girls on the New Forest in 2020.

My thanks as ever to Mr Nugteren and Mr Land for their assistance in running the expedition.

Mr J C W Blencowe



LANGUAGES DAY

This year, language day at Ewell Castle School took place on the 23rd of September.

It was an amazing opportunity for pupils of all year groups to participate and grasp cultural aspects of modern foreign

languages, which helps to enrich and develop their growth mind-set.

Year 7s did a quiz on flags, while Year 8s got some taste of foreign food. Year 9s made national decorations for homemade cakes and Year 10s listened to traditional songs from all

over the world. Years 11, 12 and 13 participated in a language quiz.

All activities were challenging and engaging and they proved to be a success!

Mr A Osoz

DT YEARS 10-13 TRIP TO TUSCANY

In October the DT Department went to Tuscany, Italy for a four day trip to allow us to see manufacturing and design processes in real life as well as enjoy some classic Italian architecture and experience the streets of Florence. The trip was for DT students years 10 - 13 and helped us with our coursework we are currently working on as it allowed us to see many of the manufacturing processes and techniques we practice ourselves for our coursework as well as get inspiration for our design ideas.

Our first close up experience of manufacturing and design in practice was during our tour of Ducatti. We were extremely fortunate enough to be toured around the factory itself where every Ducatti bike is made and saw a production line in progress and some of the high-tech tools they use to make these bikes.

Our favourite one was an automated machine nicknamed Wall-E, which was a robot that carried engines around the factory by following black lines along the factory floor. What really stood out to all of us was the attention to detail with which these bikes are made and how every single bike is tested once made to ensure ultimate customer satisfaction.

We also visited the museums of Lamborghini and Ferrari and were all a bit stunned at the vast display of super-cars we were able to have a look at. The Lamborghini



museum took us on a tour through time and showed us how their cars have changed as the years have gone by. One that was found amusing by us was one of Lamborghini's first ever 4X4s that used 1 litre of fuel to travel 70m due to its vast weight.

They had on display their range of cars from their racing carbon fibre bodied cars to their luxurious more modern and efficient 4X4s. The Ferrari had an amazing rotating display where they change the cars every year, sometimes borrowed from private owners to put them on display. We saw custom one-off Ferraris that are only used on racing tracks with the most expensive one costing over €6 million for production; this car was ruined for Mrs. Sarmiento however, as there was a bright red tow hitch on the back of it to get it on and off of the track. "Who would want to pay €6 million to have that sticking out of the back of it".

Throughout the trip, we had the opportunity to explore Florence, its

stunning architecture and its iconic Italian Cuisine. We toured around the Pitti Palace and admired some of the most impressive works of art we have ever seen. Alongside this, we got to visit a very impressive sustainability exhibit at the Salvatore Ferragamo Museum where the entire exhibit was sustainable, including the carpet made out of recycled plastic. We had the chance to interact with pioneering new sustainable materials such as fabric made from old apple skins and 3D printed from recycled plastic.

On our final day, we were lucky enough to watch the sunset over Monti Pisani from the top of the Leaning Tower of Pisa which made for a lovely end of an incredible trip.



NATIONAL ARMY MUSEUM

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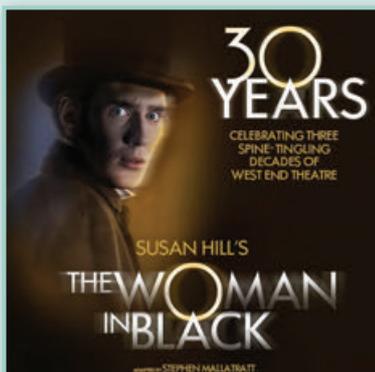
On the 15th October six pupils from sixth form studying history went to the National Army Museum in order to help us with our coursework. We did a workshop regarding the Indian Mutiny of 1857 where we looked at sources which we could use in our coursework. We also learnt more about the background of the mutiny and the mutiny itself in order to help us with our coursework.

After the workshop we looked around the museum and looked at some great exhibitions about the army and its history. The exhibitions varied in subject such as the army in media and the changing structure of the army and were really interesting for us to look at.

It was a great day out as we were able to get help for our coursework but to also look around an interesting museum.

Michael Norton

THE WOMAN IN BLACK THEATRE TRIP



YEAR 8 TRIP TO KEW GARDENS

On Thursday 17th October, the Geography Department took Year 8 to Kew Gardens. The fieldtrip helped to support their understanding of the 'Fantastic Places' topic, looking at the World's ecosystems, particularly Tropical Rainforests and Deserts. The pupils worked in groups during the day, exploring different parts of the Gardens through various



activities. The Glasshouse was a highlight for many of the pupils, where they were able to experience what it feels like to be in a Tropical Rainforest. Here, they also got the opportunity to use field equipment to collect data allowing them to compare the characteristics of Deciduous Woodlands and Tropical Rainforests. The groups then split their time between The Hive – an interactive beehive that converts the bee's movements into light and sound, and the Tree Top Walk, which enabled them to look at our native forest area from above. Despite the slightly soggy weather, the pupils participated with enthusiasm and put their geography knowledge into action!

Miss N Maskell



SAFE DRIVE – STAY ALIVE

All our Year 12s attended the annual 'Safe Drive Stay Alive' performance at Dorking Halls in November. This sobering educational show features both short films and live speakers in a bid to make our potential young drivers aware of their responsibilities as both a driver and passenger. For all the freedom and excitement driving brings we want to see all our fortunate drivers get to school, and back home, in a safe manner. Safe drive stay alive.

Mr S Getty



YEAR 9 HISTORY - VISIT TO THE SOMME



Model
United
Nations

SIXTH FORM MUN AND DEBATING

The MUN went off with a real bang this year with the whole Sixth Form throwing themselves into the idea of role-playing the United Nations. The topic was Climate Change, which is a hot topic at the moment, especially on the back of Greta Thunberg's appearance recently. The students were allocated their countries the week before and were told to research their countries policies on Climate Change. It was the task of each country to write a proposal with the idea of having it voted in. They spent the week forming alliances with other countries and attempting to gang up on one particular country - this time the USA.

On the day, it was clear to see who had put in the miles, with France showing themselves to be the favourites. The initial speeches were passionately made and emotions were running high. France delivered the best and most professional proposal with Matty Garner working hard behind the scenes. Hamish Jauffret's speech was well delivered by James Suri and they eventually went on to win the prize. There were notable speeches from the USA and from Russia.

Everyone enjoyed the afternoon's Enrichment and is looking forward to the next hotly contested MUN.

Zakaria Dada – President of MUN

SENIOR MATHS CHALLENGE

Senior Mathematics Challenge:

Congratulations to the following pupils who successfully participated in the following Maths competitions this term:

British Mathematical Olympiad

Jemin Park

Senior Kangaroo

Jamie Campbell
Kelvin Cheung
Taewon Kang

Gold Certificate

Jamie Campbell
Jemin Park
Kelvin Cheung
Taewon Kang

Silver Certificate

Sewoong Jun
Samuel Elson
Ben Dunckley

Bronze Certificate

Ella Danks
Max Dunlop
Orhun Isikoglu
Varshan Subaskaran

Senior Mathematics Team Challenge:

Congratulations to the following pupils who successfully competed in the Senior Mathematics Team Challenge:

10th Place Regional Final

Jemin Park, Kelvin Cheung,
Taewon Kang, Max Dunlop

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE



YEARS 11-13 ART TRIP TO THE V&A MUSEUM



THE CANDLE CONFERENCE



On Friday 22nd November, Year 13 Philosophy, Religion and Ethics students attended a detailed packed lecture presented by Dr Peter Vardy in London. It covered broad topics like the problems of Religious Language and Meta-Ethics extensively. There were allotted times for essay practice and techniques that would help us in our exams. There was also an

open debate at the end where other students could have open discourse to convey their opinions on a specific issue and have others agree or disagree with each other. The whole experience was extremely rewarding as we got a chance to improve our essay writing and learnt good debating skills.

Philipp Fisher Year 13

6TH FORM ART & PHOTOGRAPHY TRIP TO TATE MODERN



NATIONAL POETRY DAY

On Friday 8 December, Ewell Castle School held a special assembly to announce the winners of the KS1 to KS3 poetry competition, held in celebration of National Poetry Day. We invited a local poet, Rachel Sambrooks, who spoke briefly about the importance of poetry and shared some of her poems with the students. Year Eight and Year Seven then had a workshop with Rachel, where they were encouraged to write creatively by finding 'the extraordinary' in everyday life.

Miss J Kerry



2019 AUTUMN TERM HOUSE CHESS COMPETITION'

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Seniors
Essex	3	5	15	1	0
Raleigh	6	5	9	11	18
Castlemaine	24	24	12	22	18

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Seniors
Essex	3	2	1	3	3
Raleigh	2	2	3	2	1
Castlemaine	1	1	2	1	1

	House Points
Essex	8
Raleigh	10
Castlemaine	14



SIXTH FORM VISIT BANK OF ENGLAND

Years 12 and 13 Business, Economics and Mathematics students visited the Bank of England Museum on the 2nd December. The purpose of the visit was to better understand the financial supply of the economy and how the Bank of England uses interest rates to keep inflation at the target rate of 2%.



SPORTS RESULTS

For full Match Reports please visit the Ewell Castle School SOCS page <http://www.ewellcastlesport.co.uk/>

Football Playing Summary

Teams	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goals Difference
Boys 3rd XI	8	2	1	5	21	38	-17
Boys U13A	3	3	0	0	20	5	15
Girls U13A	1	0	0	1	1	3	-2
Girls U12A	1	0	0	1	0	6	-6

Match Report: 3rd XI vs Sutton Grammar School U17B - 9th October 2019

This match we attempted to end our consecutive losing performance and we managed to do so. We succeeded to show our passions during the match and we produced a lot of chances, which allowed Harvey Sellers to score his first goal at his senior games, which helped us to have our first lead in this pre-season. James Suri also scored his goal as soon as he was substituted in. The opponents began to feel frustrated and they attempted to reduce the gap of the goals, but their efforts were denied by a fantastic defensive performance from Jemin Park and

Varshan Subaskaran. However, a lack of our concentration towards the end of the first half almost cost a goal from the opponents.

In the second half, we managed to concentrate on our match again and Olly Atkins succeeded in scoring but this goal was ruled out due to offside rules. However, he did not give up and discovered a way to assist James Suri's second goal. Although the opponents attempted to create their chances, they did not change those chances to their goals by Jemin Park and Varsh Subaskaran's great defenses with a

good save by Jack Cooks. Meanwhile, James Suri managed to receive another assist from various players and he succeeded to make his first hat trick in this pre-season. Although he already had his hat trick, he continued to fire his shoots. In the end, he scored an extra goal, which was helped by opponents' howler mistake and the goal-line technology. This helped us to have our first win in this pre-season and Jack Cook also succeeded to have his first clean sheet. We hope to continue this positive performance at the match against Glyn School next week.

Match Report: Boys U13A vs Kew House School - 2nd December 2019

Ewell castle started fast and with good passing between the midfield, we quickly added 5 to the scoreboard. In the Second half Ewell Castle took the foot off the gas but still managed to get

one before conceding. But then, after a few pieces of play by the midfielders and good run from our forwards we scored 2 but after a miscommunication between the goalkeeper and the

defender they scored one. The match finished 8-2. Overall, a good performance from Ewell Castle.

Match Report: Girls Football U13A vs Lingfield College - 12th October 2019

On Saturday 12th October, Ewell Castle U12 girls played Lingfield College in their first football match. We started with a simple warmup, learned our positions for the game and stood in preparation for the whistle to blow. Once the game started, we did some nice clean passes but as the game progressed, we started gathering

around the ball together and not getting into a space, and ended up letting a couple of goals in. After a very encouraging talk from our coaches, we started to use the space better and noticed when we didn't. Although we tried our best, Lingfield still scored a few more times. Our amazing goalie saved a lot of goals with the help of

our defenders and the attackers slowly started to drive up the pitch. The final score was 6-0. Although we lost, we knew we had tried our hardest and it was still fun. Well done to everyone that played and thank you to the teachers for organising it.

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Netball Playing Summary

Teams	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goals Difference
Girls 1st VII U18	10	1	0	9	117	250	-133
Girls U14A	3	2	0	1	38	37	1
Girls U13A	3	2	0	1	49	28	21
Girls U12A	3	0	0	3	19	28	-9
Girls U12B	2	0	0	2	8	39	-31

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Match Report: Girls Netball 1st VII U18 vs Radnor House Twickenham Girls U18B - 27th November 2019

On Wednesday 27th November, Ewell Castle's U18's played Radnor House. They were a good side who played well together, they played fast and were able to pass the ball between each other at speed which made defending difficult. However, our defence were

able to adjust to this and intercepted their passes. Similarly, our attacking was good as the ball was moved up the court and the shooters were able to score as they moved well for each other. We also had some extra help from girls in younger years who

played excellently. We were successful and won the game 21-13, which was a deserved win as the whole team worked well and were continuously moving and calling for each other. The player of the match was Eloise Warren who played GA.

Match Report: Girls U14A V Emanuel School Girls U13C - 28th September 2019

We started-off really quickly and awake in the first quarter winning it at 5-2. We carried on driving into space and defending leading us to 12-5. Going into the third quarter, we were still very

awake and ready to score more goals leading us to 16-6. In that last quarter we were ready to score more and keep up our excellent defending and driving into space finishing the match at 18-8.

There was excellent driving into space by Eesha, Evie, Sophia and Oralie. Great shooting from Izzy and Millie who was player of the match.



Match Report: U13A vs Harrodian Girls U13C - 14th September 2019

On the 4th of September the under 13s A team played their first game against Harrodian. When we arrived at Harrodian School we got straight into the stretches and warm up. After we did our warm up we started the match and we started with the ball. We started-off slowly with only one goal in the first quarter but had Rosie, Abi and Meghan strong in defence as Harrodian didn't score. In the second half, we had a strong attacking side as we got nine shots in from Kate and Niki and the defence stayed strong with Leonor coming in to the defence side as our opposition didn't score in the second quarter as well. When we got into the third quarter, our energy was getting low

as we had been working hard in the first two quarters. In the third quarter, we scored three shots with Alisa coming in as WA but we slipped a bit in the defence side as they got two shots, in but we stayed strong. In the last quarter we gained back the energy and picked up the effort that we were putting in as our attack was strong with Lily and Sakura coming in. Our shooters were able to score 8 shots as we were going strong in the attacking end we also had a strong defence as Harrodian only had one point in that quarter. Overall, we had a great start to netball this year, a great team spirit and support. Well done to all the girls and the players' player Niki who did an amazing job shooting.



Rugby Union Playing Summary

Teams	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goals Difference
Boys 1st XV	12	2	0	10	177	401	-224
Boys U15A	11	5	2	4	293	192	101
Boys U15B	1	0	0	1	20	26	-6
Boys U14A	8	3	0	5	160	196	-36
Boys U14B	3	0	1	2	45	95	-50
Boys U13A	6	3	0	3	110	120	-10
Boys U12A	9	8	1	0	350	55	295
Boys U12B	6	3	0	3	125	130	-5
Girls U15A	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Girls U13A	1	0	0	1	0	0	0

Match Report: Boys 1st XV vs King's College School (KCS) Wimbledon U16B – Wednesday 12th November

Ewell started with the kick off and a deep kick from Fraser allowed Ewell to instantly put the pressure on King's early on, which they did. This allowed Ewell to realise that they were the physically stronger side in the match and more attacking runs were being made. This lead to a rare run being made from Jeremiah who broke through the King's defence and scored

his first try of the season making it 7-0 to Ewell. This then opened the gates for more tries to be scored as Ewell finished the first half with a 21-0 lead with George and Dan scoring the other two tries. Going into the second half Ewell made some subs and gave other players some more game time, this lead to a slow start from Ewell and King's pounced on that scoring a try

very early on in the second half. This however relit Ewell's spark and a good run from Gabriel finished the game off for Ewell, however King's did make an attempt to come back into the game but a defensively strong Ewell stopped that and helped them come out with the win.

Match Report: Boys U15A Rugby vs Donottar – 21st September

At the start of the game, Ewell kicked off. We applied a lot of pressure on Dunottar. In a few minutes, Tom ran through their defence line, scoring the first try. No conversion. The second try was quickly followed up, by an amazing kick from Sidney, leading to the try line and then scoring. Third try was by Joel.

Ewell then scored another four tries in the first half. At the end of the first half, the score was 35-0. At the start of the second half, Ewell started with the same aggression that they did in the first half. The first try of the second half was scored by Joel with a strong pick and go to score. A few minutes

later Ewell made a break and Tom crashed through for the second try of the second half. With about 10 minutes to go, it was Dunottar who were in the lead and they broke the line and went through to score. There were no more scores and the game ended 48-5 to Ewell. Man of the Match went to Tom.

Match Report: Boys U12A Rugby vs Claremont Fan Court School – 5th October

On Saturday, the 5th October, Ewell Castle played in a rugby match against Claremont. Ewell Castle started strong getting to every ball they could and rucking over very well. A few passes later, Ewell Castle scored a first try. They were one try up. Cristiano Nobrega kicked off to Claremont to start the game. Ewell Castle chased after the ball. Claremont caught the ball and ran up. Ewell Castle tackled strong and quickly won the ball back and started their attack passing down the line and running up. Claremont tackled but by rucking strong, Ewell Castle kept possession of the ball and scored a 2nd

try. Cristiano Nobrega kicked off again. Claremont caught the ball and the half time whistle went followed by a team talk. The half ended 2-0 to Ewell Castle.

The second half opened strong for Ewell, with Claremont kicking off. Ewell caught the ball, with a clear run up the pitch, but Claremont tackled well and brought down the runners. Great rucking from Jamie Grantham and Daniel Clarke led to another good try from Ewell. Five minutes later from kick off, Ewell scored another – their fourth try of the match. Claremont still no score on the board. After another kick off from Claremont, Ewell gained possession again. After a

few great passes, the 5th try for Ewell was scored. After this, Claremont chose to receive, and Ewell kicked high, with a thorough chase. Claremont caught the ball and knocked it on, leading to a scrum. Ewell won the scrum and passed along the line resulting in their sixth try. Still Claremont have not scored because of great defending from Ewell.

About six minutes before full time, Ewell kicked off, resulting in another great tackle, and Ewell rucked over and went on the attacked with Rory Stevens scoring the final 7th try of the match. Final score was 7-0 to Ewell. A great result and terrific teamwork.



CHARITABLE WORKS COMMITTEE

This term the CWC has been involved in many fundraising and awareness projects. Unlike previous years where we have adopted either 'home' or 'away' charity, we have signed up to the WE movement. We are therefore supporting charities that support the 17 Sustainable Development Goals. After an inspirational talk from Paul Goldstein, we will be sending money to <https://www.wecharity.org/>

At the end of the summer, we visited one of our Sixth Formers who has volunteered for many years at The Diamond Centre in Carshalton. We have decided to use some of the money we raised last year to sponsor one of the horses at RDA.

We have also collected for the Epsom and Ewell Foodbank and have supported the QEF (Queen Elizabeth Foundation) by selling Raffle Tickets and offering a Christmas present wrapping service in Sutton. The CWC

have also helped different forms raise money each week by helping them with their cake sales. Events next term include; the Senior Girls organising a 'bra' collection for Breast Cancer Awareness in Charity Week, a Sixth Form Meal, toilet twinning and helping with the collection of Easter Eggs for The Children's Trust Fundraising Easter Fair.

Ms C Hoddell

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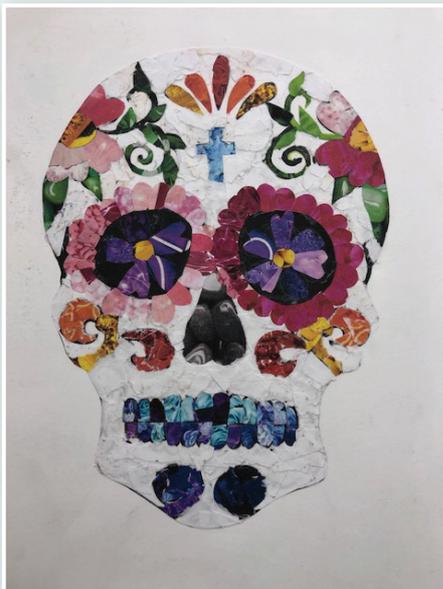
ARTISTS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS OF THE TERM - AUTUMN



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Fruit Bowl



Matthew Walmsley, Year 8
Pop Art Portrait Collage



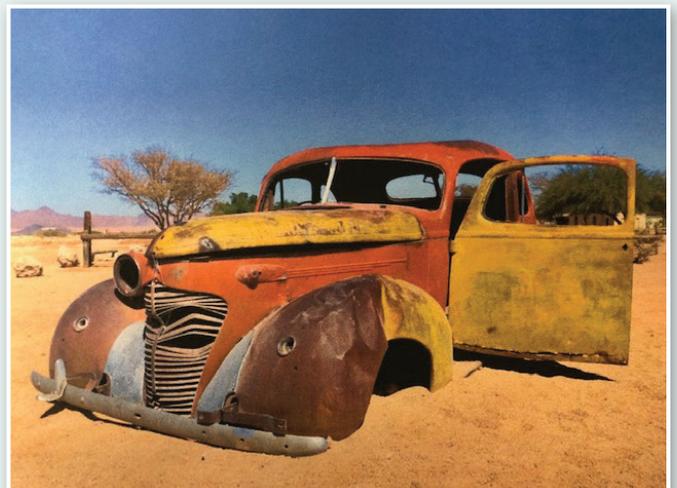
Oralie Rayner, Year 9
Day of the Dead Collage



Maya Boneva, Year 10
Half colour-half black & white Portrait



Danny Turner, Year 11
Multicoloured Skull in the Desert Sulpture



Jago Banham, Sixth Form
Car in the Desert

YEAR 11 HISTORY TRIP TO WHITECHAPEL

On Thursday 12th December, the Year 11 History pupils were transported back to the grim world of Victorian Whitechapel in the 1880's. Our guide Angie really brought the past to life. The tour focused on the squalid living conditions and the sites of the 'Jack the Ripper' killings. While the Blitz and post war development has seen the end of much of the London that the 'Ripper' knew, there is still plenty of original stuff if you know where to look, and Angie certainly did. One thing that was clear was the immense problems facing the Police in an era before modern technology. The standards of the 'Gutter Press' was if anything even worse than today and cartoons of the time parodied the Police as incompetent bunglers - a charge that was unfair. There was no forensic evidence, witnesses were unreliable and muck racking journalists and enthusiastic vigilantes muddied the waters. The police repeatedly warned the 'ladies of the night' not to take

strange men into dark corners but economic necessity meant this was rarely heeded. Overshadowing it all was a virulent anti-Semitism whipped up by newspapers and unscrupulous politicians. This could have resulted in a pogrom if a person fitting the popular perception of 'the Ripper' was put on trial and acquitted. My suspicion is the police had a pretty good idea who it was but just couldn't prove it. The pragmatic option was to have any obvious suspects admitted to the local lunatic asylum with a quiet word to the

manager that they should never be released. In any event the killings stopped.

The pupils' behaviour was exemplary and it was particularly gratifying that Angie commended the group for their good behaviour and attentiveness. This was especially so as the weather wasn't brilliant. 'Jack the Ripper' is my top tip for the June exam so get revising.

Mr J W C Blencowe



CHRISTMAS CABARET

The annual Christmas Cabaret at Bourne Hall, Ewell, on Wednesday 11th December, played to a full house with a jam-packed evening of sketches, dances and musical items from pupils in Year 6 to Year 13. With a new 'round table' format, the audience were treated to table service mulled wine and mince pies, whilst being entertained by a Jools Holland-esque 3-stage spectacular. Some notable highlights were provided by the comic timing of the Performing Arts Academy and some stellar vocal performances from the likes of Jasmine Taylor-Edwards, Ishabelle Shipkolye, Ted Boulting-Williams and Anush Hydros, to name but a few. The audience were not just watching either, as the annual 'Carol-off' was joined, this year, by a Christmas Jumper Catwalk display of pupils, parents and staff in their festive best.

Mr B Essenhigh



THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH BRONZE EXPEDITION AND SILVER AWARD

As ever the year group assembled at the Plough Inn and set off on the fifteen miles including three ascents of Leith Hill Ranmore and Boxhill. The groups coped pretty well after a few navigational errors were put right. Clearly, the lessons of the Practise Week had sunk in. All the groups arrived at Boiderhurst in good order and most managed it before it got dark.

Every two years or so adverse weather is added to the Duke of Edinburgh challenge. Last year it was the Silver Expedition, this year it was Bronze's turn to suffer as the heavens opened. However, the pupils were generally well prepared and it was not as bad as the forecast had predicted. It was all a bit soggy in the morning with a few administrative and motivational problems. However, everyone did get themselves sorted and the group leaders were commendable



Year 13 student Jack receives his Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award

in cutting about and getting everyone on their feet. No one wanted to throw the towel in - not that I would have entertained such a suggestion anyway.

The second day is always tougher – the pupils are tired, the navigation is

less straightforward and mistakes creep in. However, they battled through and all arrived at Epsom Downs - the final group limping in just before six.

Our Bronze expedition is made deliberately tough and, due to the weather, this one was a sterner challenge than usual. All the candidates can feel they really earned their certificates. Again, I would stress that pupils need to get their other activities finished and the assessor's reports written. A number have already done this, which is most commendable, but most still need to make progress.

My thanks to the large number of colleagues who worked to make the expedition a success.

Mr J W C Blencowe



PTA AUTUMN TERM ACTIVITIES

WOW! - What a busy term it has been for the PTA with three events squeezed in along with a number of New2u Pop Up Shops! First, however I would like to thank the 150+ volunteers that have given their time in one form or another to help at our events - we could not have done it without you!

The term began with our annual Fireworks and BBQ Event, which had a record number of people attending. The weather just held and lots of fun was had with all the games and refreshments on offer! Ms Bradshaw and Mrs Fowler had a particular tough time judging the fancy dress and pumpkin carving completion - with so many fantastic entries. Pyromania fireworks once again did not disappoint and we were given an amazing display!

November saw our inaugural 'Bingo and Bubbles Night', which was a great community event. Lots of bottles of bubbles were drunk and many boxes of chocolate were won. Huge thanks to Aisha for the home made nibbles and Mr Essenhigh.

As the the term and year drew to a close we held our annual Christmas Fair which is our biggest event of the year supported by 90+ young people, staff and parents alike. We had a number of firsts; with 'Buzz' welcoming everyone, a Father Christmas experience, community carols and the launch of 'Elfridges&Co'. The Christmas Fair is our largest and busiest event of the year and the planning for it starts back in September; from obtaining prizes for the raffle, selling tickets, distributing tokens, organising games and sourcing prizes, to setting up and dressing the grotto, organising refreshments to promoting and branding 'Elfridges' - many meetings were held, wrapping done, lots of local companies approached. There are many moving parts of the jigsaw that need to come together - it is fantastic to see everyone on the committee and the whole School community working together.

Due to the amazing efforts, time and donations of so many people this term alone we have raised a

formidable £8,500 for value add items to benefit all the pupils. This term we have purchased a new workbench for the Prep School DT Department and additional outside benches and tables for the Senior School. Further spending discussions are planned with the Senior Leadership Team early next term.

Our next event is on the 21st March 2020, when Comedy & Curry night returns to the Castle, in addition, registration to the 100 club is still open until the 3rd week of January 2020.

I would finally like to say a huge personal thank you to the PTA committee - Aisha, Amanda, Clare, Clodagh, Jess, Katrina, Marcela, Mike and Natasha for their amazing dedication, to the New2U team Catherine, Charlotte and Desiree, and for everyone who has supported us during the year. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a very prosperous 2020!

Emma Mitchell
Chair PTA

CAROL SERVICE

