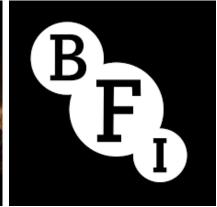
SENIOR SCHOOL

E-NEWS END OF SUMMER TERM 2022

What a term it has been! After exams finished, the celebrations were well underway with plenty of events and trips to take part in. We hope both students and parents have enjoyed the Summer Festival which featured concerts, productions, exhibitions, sports and a spectacular Gala Day. Here is the latest news from this jam packed term!







A LEVEL MEDIA STUDENTS SHORTLISTED FOR MEDIA MAGAZINE FILM COMPETITION

Congratulations to A level media students Jess F, Charlotte C, Ellie S and Millie W who have been shortlisted in the Media Magazine Film Competition 2022 for their film Dodging A Bullet. These students will attend a screening of all the finalists at the BFI (British film institute) on 6 July, where their film will be shown on the huge NFT1 screen!

ABRSM EXAMS

A very well done to all who participated in ABRSM Music exams on 13 and 14 of June in the mansion. Many congratulations to Molly C, Adeline I, Victor I, Eva S, Ben SL, Evie M and Luca L for performing so well in their examinations.





POETRY BY HEART CELEBRATION AT THE GLOBE THEATRE

Back in March, Year 7's took part in a national poetry competition called Poetry by Heart. On Monday 20 June, three pupils who entered the competition were invited to be part of the audience at the Poetry by Heart celebration event at Shakespeare's Globe. It was a fantastic day and Chloe A, Michela B and Abigail F really enjoyed their first experience of the Globe Theatre and the opportunity to see the finalists perform.

WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION TALK

Tara Mansell who works for the World Health Organisation came to speak to the Year 12 geography students. The students listened to her fascinating talk about her knowledge of studying for a geography degree at Cambridge University and her experiences in the world of work. She is currently based in Switzerland where she specialises in mitigating health issues related to social justice. The students asked her thoughtful questions about her experiences and Tara gave them some excellent advice for their personal statements, how to get the most out of university and possible career options related to geography.



ENRICHMENT WEEK AND TRIPS



















with enrichment week being the highlight. Year 7 not only put on a great travel show, but they had a great time in Brecon Beacons and Kew Gardens. Year 8 headed off to Norfolk. Year 9 expanded their cultural horizons at the Morden Islamic Community Centre and Christian Science Church. They also got to enjoy some water sports at Thorpe Lakes. Duke of Edinburgh has been a great experience for Years 9 and 10 this term and helped with their team building. This team work concept continued into Year 10's paintballing trip too. Physicists from this year group got to go to East Grinstead to test out physics in action by climbing in the woods. Year 10's also visited Portsmouth and the Imperial War Museum. Year 12 enjoyed a geography trip to Swanage where they saw some beautiful scenery.

It has been a fantastic term for trips



HOUSE DAY























HOUSE UPDATE

With the race for the house cup going down to the wire, Monday saw our final day of competition as we held our House Sports Day! As our students jostled with javelins, launched into long jumps and rapidly ran relays, a sea of red, green, blue, yellow and purple covered the front field in a fierce battle for points.

With Esher claiming first place in Years 7 and 8, and Norwood coming top in Years 9 and 10, there was an array of exceptional talent on display. However, after finishing second in both competitions, Stanmore made it over the finish line in first place overall to claim their first-ever victory in the House Cup!

Now that Banstead are joining the party next year, it will be a six-way battle in 2022/23 for the competition! We can't wait to get it all started again in September.

Thanks and have a great summer,

The Heads of Houses

ALICE

Audiences were transported to Wonderland in the Senior School production of 'Alice'. This adaptation of Alice in Wonderland, written by Laura Wade, was a different take on the story that we all know and love. In this version, the story follows the adventures of Alice, a young girl from Walthamstow, whose brother Joe had died and, in her grief, suddenly finds herself in another universe. With advice from the white rabbit, she must "Get to the Heart", to find her way home. Wade has crafted a highly original and witty text, which a cast of over 50 pupils from Year 7 to 10 brought to life in a fantastical way. Breathing fresh life into a much loved story about rabbit holes, pocket watches and talking caterpillars, Claremont Fan Court School brought audiences Wonderland like they've never seen it before.

















GALA DAY

Saturday 2 July was a great day for all of the Claremont community! Thanks to all the students, parents, alumni and teachers that came along and joined in the fun, be it sports, performances, music, arts or media, we had a blast! A special well done to our timed treasure hunt winners. All that's left to say is... we can't wait until next year!





PRIDE

At Claremont, we want all of our pupils to be proud to be themselves. When we entered the Pride month of June, we wanted to celebrate inclusivity, history and most importantly, love in all shapes and forms.

At the end of May a plain flag was left in the Senior School reception area. The aim was to get passers by to grab a felt tip and colour in a small section, in the hope that it would be ready for 1 June (the start of Pride Month). Within a week the whole flag was completely filled in, which shows the support people had for this display.

On Friday 24 June, the Senior School Claremont Equality Alliance came together to hold a cake sale for charity All Out. This charity is a global movement fighting for a world where no one has to sacrifice their family, freedom, safety, or dignity because of who they are or who they love. Claremont is proud to raise funds for such an important cause. The Equality Alliance managed to raise £179.56!









Charity work



RENTSTART

As part of our community partnership programme for sixth formers, Jess C worked with the local charity Rentstart . They help people find housing and their aim is to get people back working and on their feet. Jess helped with admin which included asset lists, charity event planning and some client work. She really enjoyed the experience and urges people to get involved. The school have donated a number of kitchen kits and we are currently collecting sleeping bags for the homeless.

CHARITY CONCERT

Last month musically talented pupils from Claremont performed in a charity concert on Sunday 12 June in aid of UNICEF and Whiteley Village Trust. The concert involved 28 children, 5 of whom were a mixture of Claremont Senior, Prep and Pre-Prep pupils. Well done to Adeline I (Year 7) and Axyl B (Year 12) for participating. These students gave up their time on a Sunday afternoon to play, and the concert raised £491.00 for both charities!



ART, PHOTOGRAPHY AND TEXTILE DESIGN EXHIBITIONS

The A level textile design students exhibited their Personal Investigations, which explored a wide range of diverse themes of their choice including: 'Greek Mythology', 'Human Anatomy', 'Mental Health and the 'Planets'. They constructed exceptional outcomes which included dresses, a jacket, a corset, a screen, and an installation. The textile design GCSE pupils also displayed a brilliant range of amazing textiles, garments, and wall hangings which were the result of their hard work over the last two years.

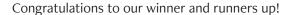
This year the art and photography department showcased work from the Year 11 GCSE art and design course and work by students who studied on the A Level fine art and photography courses. There were a range of artworks on display from drawing, collage, print making, painting, sculpture, photography, instillation and digital art. We are delighted with the quality of art work and photography pupils have achieved considering their experiences of working from home at times through the pandemic. We wish all of our pupils every success for their future and look forward to welcoming a number from the GCSE course back to study A level art and photography.



WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Well done to all who took part in the Senior School Claremont wildlife photography competition. We had some fantastic entries for all of our categories which were 'life in the garden and in the water', 'up high and down low', 'sunrise and sunset' and 'blooms and bugs'. Every person who participated received 5 house points for the effort they put in. However, the winners, with the most eye-catching entries, were:

First: Reaching for light by Zac H (Radnor); Joint second: Flowers of Paradise by Ellis A (Radnor) and Sunbathing, by Isobel P (Stanmore); Third: Frog with a flower on its head by Amy G (Longcross).











SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

ARCHERY GOLD MEDALSITS

A first for Claremont is competitive archery. The school began a league during lockdown but this term has seen the school send teams to competitive archery shoots for the very first time. Not only have we attended these shoots but we have even come away with medals. We now have a number of archers who are consistently performing and when they got the chance to compete they produced outstanding results. Sophie S, Jay D and Finn W all came away with gold medals and Monty S a silver.



NATIONAL PREP SCHOOL ATHLETICS FINALISTS

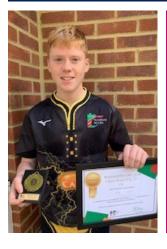
Congratulations to Lucas DLT and Genevieve L in Year 8 who have been selected for the national prep school athletics finals! This exciting sports event will involve them travelling to Coventry. Well done to the both of them!

SOUTH OF ENGLAND CRICKET CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to our under 13a team on winning the Society of Head's South of England 8 a side cricket tournament on the very last ball! Well done to our Year 8 girls who also played at this festival and came runner ups!

These results are even more impressive since both girls and boys have been training in the style of hard ball cricket, and this was a soft ball tournament.





Well done to Conall C in Year 9 who plays rugby at Windsor Rugby Club. He has won an under 14 Berkshire Plate Final winners medal and an award for "Teamwork" player of the year.



Congratulations to Demir T in Year 8 who is playing in the Kingston Lions Basketball Club under 14 team. They became the Surrey Champions last month and Demir was awarded as playoffs MVP. He has also represented England South under 13 boys team in the Allstar Tournament last weekend as part of Basketball England Talent program.

PTA UPDATE

YEAR ROUND UP

This year has been a big year of change for the Senior School PTA and we're really looking forward to expanding our team next year and celebrating with a variety of fun events. Thank you so much to all of the volunteers who helped with the treasure hunt, Good As New Sale and many other PTA events.

We would love to hear your ideas and thoughts on the role of the PTA and events you would like to help with.

TICKETS FOR FUTURE PTA EVENTS ARE AVAILABLE AT: www.claremontconnect.co.uk/events