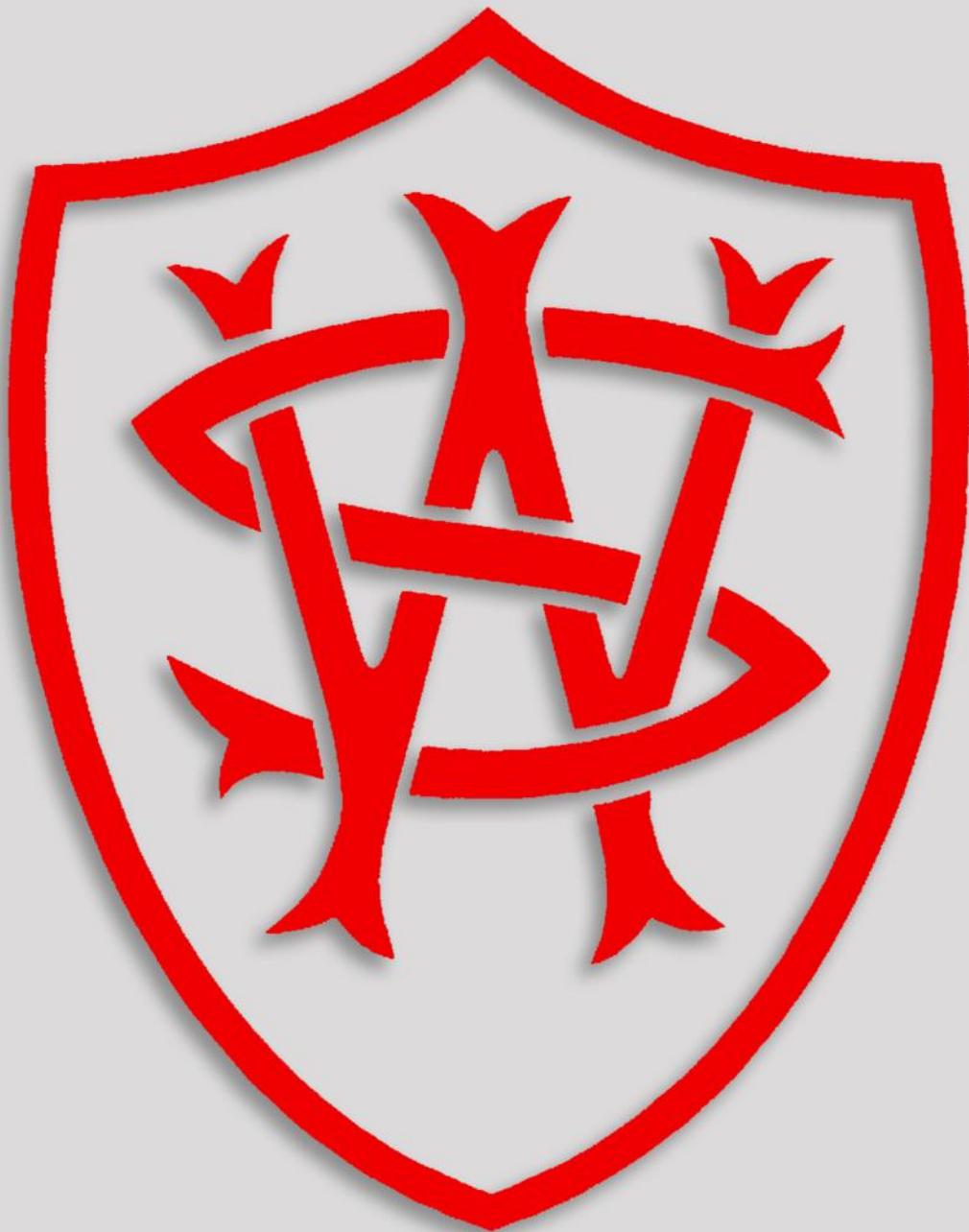


WETHERBUZZ

2018/19 | Autumn Term | Week 3



WEEK 3: Monday 17th - Sunday 23rd September 2018

Monday 17th

- CATS TESTING ALL WEEK – WHOLE SCHOOL
- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Swimming for **Year 3, 4 and 5C** – 9-12pm
- Games for **Year 6** – 1:30-4pm
- U11 Franchise Football Round 1 (H) – 2:15pm
- U11 A-D vs. The Hall (H) – 2:30pm

Monday Clubs:

- Chamber Choir – 4-5pm
- Creative Writing – 4-5pm
- Debating – 4-5pm
- Drawing – 4-5pm
- Fencing (Years 3 & 4) – 5-6pm
- Indoor Football Club – 4-5pm
- Reasoning – 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing – 4-5pm
- Table Tennis – 5-6pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

Tuesday 18th

- CATS TESTING
- Swimming for **5B, 5K and 5S** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 6** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Years 3 and 4** – 1:30-4pm
- U9 Franchise Football Round 1 (H) – 2:15pm
- U9 A-D vs. Sussex House (H) – 2:30pm
- U8 A and B vs. St Stephen's (H) – 2:30pm
- Mr Baker to Mulberry House Event – 5:30pm

Tuesday Clubs:

- Architecture – 4-5pm
- Arts & Crafts – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Fencing (Years 6-8) – 5-6pm
- Photography – 4-5pm
- Running – 7:45-8:30am
- Table Tennis – 4-5pm – CANCELLED
- Wetherby Choir – 4-5pm
- Wetherby Voices – 8-9am
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

Wednesday 19th

- CATS TESTING
- Second Hand Wetherby Prep Uniform Sale – 8:15-9am
- Games for **Years 3 and 4** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 1:30-4pm
- Senior Franchise Football Round 1 (H) – 2:15pm
- 1st and 2nd XI vs. Rokeby (A) – 2:30pm
- U12 A and B vs. Rokeby (H) – 2:30pm
- SLT Meeting – 4:30pm
- Mr Baker and Mrs Brookes to Dulwich College Heads' Dinner – 7pm

Wednesday Clubs:

- Code Club – Lower School – 4-5pm
- D&T / Engineering Club – 4-5pm
- Detectives – 4-5pm
- Elite Chess – 8-9am
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- General Knowledge Quiz Club – 4-5pm
- Harry Potter Club – 4-5pm
- Maths Games and Puzzles – 4-5pm
- Music Club – General Musicianship – 4-5pm
- Music Scholars Club – 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing – 4-5pm
- Swim Squad – Upper School A&B – 7:45-8:45am
- Swim Squad – Lower School A – 4:15-5pm
- Swim Squad – Lower School B – 5-5:45pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

Thursday 20th

- CATS TESTING
- Rowing at Putney – 7:45am
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 5** – 1:30-4pm
- U10 Franchise Football Round 1 (H) – 2:15pm
- U10 A-D vs. Arnold House (H) – 2:30pm
- School Management Meeting – 4:30pm
- New Parents' Evening – 7pm

Thursday Clubs:

- Bowed Strings – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Code Club – Upper School – 4-5pm
- Drama Games – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Horse Riding – 4-5:30pm
- Lego Building – 4-5pm
- Maths Revision – 4-5pm
- Science Club – 4-5pm
- Young Philosophers – 4-5pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

Friday 21st

- CATS TESTING
- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Whole School Assembly at Church of the Annunciation with David Chaplin from Rwanda Aid – 8:30am
- THIS EVENT WILL BE STREAMED LIVE ON INSTAGRAM 
- Games for Year 5 – 9:15-11:45am
- U12 A and B vs. Sussex House (H) – 2:30pm

Friday Clubs:

- Whole School Clubs – 2:15-4pm

Saturday 22nd

Sunday 23rd

From the Headmaster

Dear Parents,

On Tuesday, we held a most productive meeting relating to the pre-testing and selection process for senior schools for Year 6 boys this year. The ISEB Common Pre Test has been around for a few years now and is adopted by the majority of schools at which our boys continue their education. Though written and produced by the same company that developed CAT tests (which the boys are familiar with, having completed them every year) there is still an air of mystery around this form of testing as specific marks are not disclosed, only an invitation to enter into the next stage of a school's application process or not. This puts a great deal of pressure onto the boys, and their parents, for a single set of tests, so an important part of our work this term is to keep them calm, prepare them as thoroughly as possible for such testing and metaphorically 'hold everyone's hand' throughout the process.



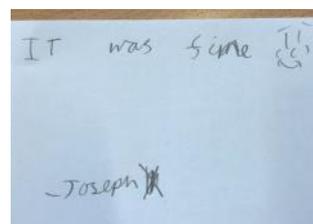
It can be stressful; I know that from my own experience. We Bakers live in a grammar school county and Patrick, our 12 year old, having achieved the magical 121 score two years ago, is now thriving at the local grammar. Joseph, our 10 year old, sat the same entrance test yesterday with the outcome due in a few weeks' time. Brigid and I are relatively sanguine about the outcome: if he gets in, great; if he doesn't get in, also great. There are lots of alternatives that we can consider that we will all be perfectly happy with. The downside though is that siblings will inevitably compare themselves to one another and, whilst Joseph is a happy and pragmatic child, if he does not follow the same path as his brother we will have to manage his (not our) disappointment very carefully. And children, particularly siblings, can say cruel things at times – be it intentionally or unintentionally – and we have to be careful that any throwaway or misjudged comment could have far-reaching and long-standing consequences.



Therefore, a tricky day for us Bakers, along with thousands of other families in Bucks yesterday, and no doubt a tricky one for all Year 6 families with children sitting the pre-test later this term. It is difficult to stay calm as a parent sometimes and I am always impressed with the attitude of the boys in this school during examinations and testing. Joseph too. Many of you will know that my wife Brigid works at the same school that Joseph attends and she was on edge all morning, worried how Joseph was getting on a few classrooms away. But she needn't have worried. When coming back from lunch, she found the note below on her teacher's desk. Maybe children are more resilient than we give them credit for and are socially intelligent enough, even at a young age, to try and put their parents at ease...

Have a good weekend,

Nick Baker



Wetherby GCSE Success

A real highlight of my summer was hearing of Wetherby Senior's first set of GCSE results. The boys have done outstandingly well, with 71% achieving 9-7 or A*/A in their subjects. This is a truly excellent outcome and reflects the talents and capabilities of Seth Bolderow and all our friends and colleagues at the Senior School. I am proud of all these 'pioneer' boys and particularly those that came through from Wetherby Prep: Nicholas (7A*, 3A), Giacomo (6 A*, 4A) and Oli (9 A*, 1 A) are of special note but every boy has a set of results to be proud of. Well done, boys!

Here are our 'WPS Alumni' in their very smart Sixth Form suits. How many can you recognise, just three years on from Wetherby Prep?



School Council

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 11th September 2018

Time: 8:30am

Attendance: School Council Representatives and PLT

Issues/Ideas brought up during meeting and action plan:

- **School Council 'ideas' box** – Each form needs to create a School Council 'ideas' box for their form so that they can submit ideas and suggestions. They can enlist the help of the boys in their form and even their form tutor but all boxes will be judged on Tuesday 25th September in two weeks' time. The winning box will receive a prize...
- **Wetherby water bottles** – We are very excited to announce that the Wetherby water bottle is up and running. These can be ordered online (link in the Wetherbuzz) or below:
<https://activebottle.co.uk/collections/wetherby>
- **Wetherby iPhone cover** – This initiative is starting to take off and last term, we chose our winning design. We are still stuck on the writing to go on the cover and the vote from School Council was for 'Keep Calm and Team Wetherby'. We will think about how to launch this new cover at our next meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 18th September at 8:30am in the Dining Room.





This week's Citizen of the Week is Ethan in 4S. New to the school this term, Ethan has already made an impact on his teachers and peers. Kind and helpful to others, Ethan is very much a Wetherby champion in the making. Well done, Ethan!

Citizen of the Week

This week's Sportsman of the Week is Jacob in 5S. Despite having a year out of competitive sport due to injury, Jacob has returned with a fantastic attitude. He embodies the qualities of a good sportsman and scored a superb hat trick for his team against the Falcons. Well done, Jacob!

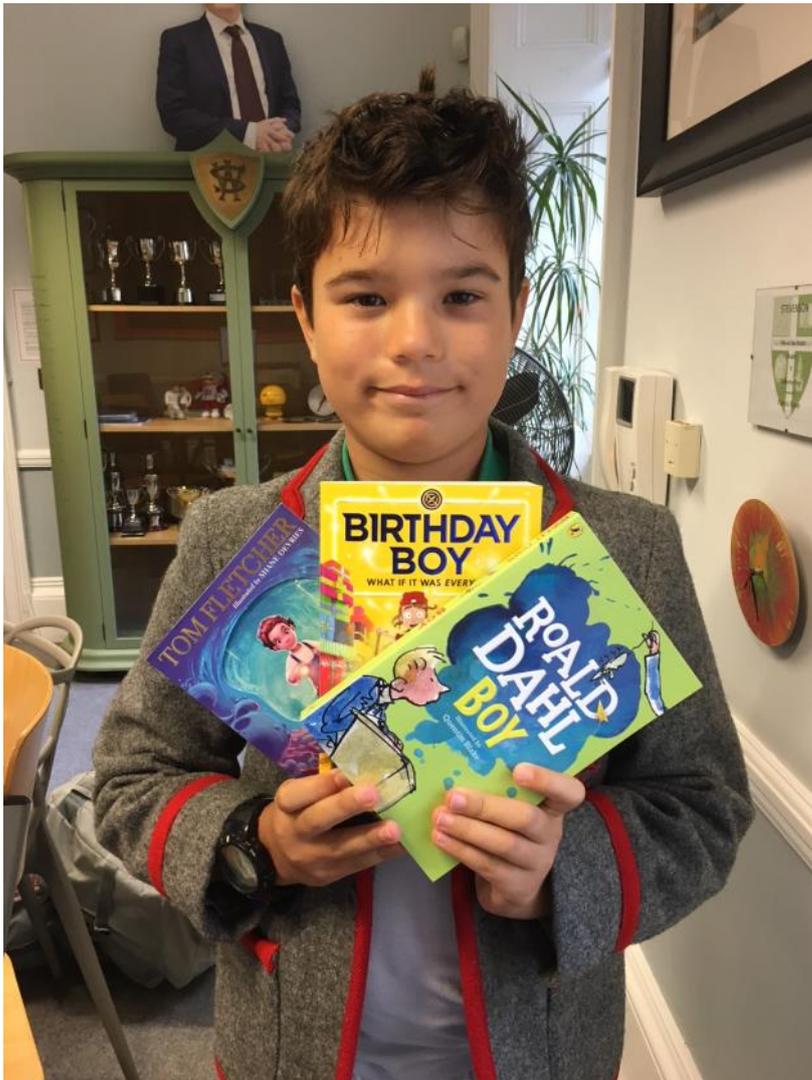


Sportsman of the Week

Birthday Books

Happy Birthday to Oliver who was 10 on Tuesday and has very kindly donated some (very apt!) books to the Library.

Happy Birthday Oliver!



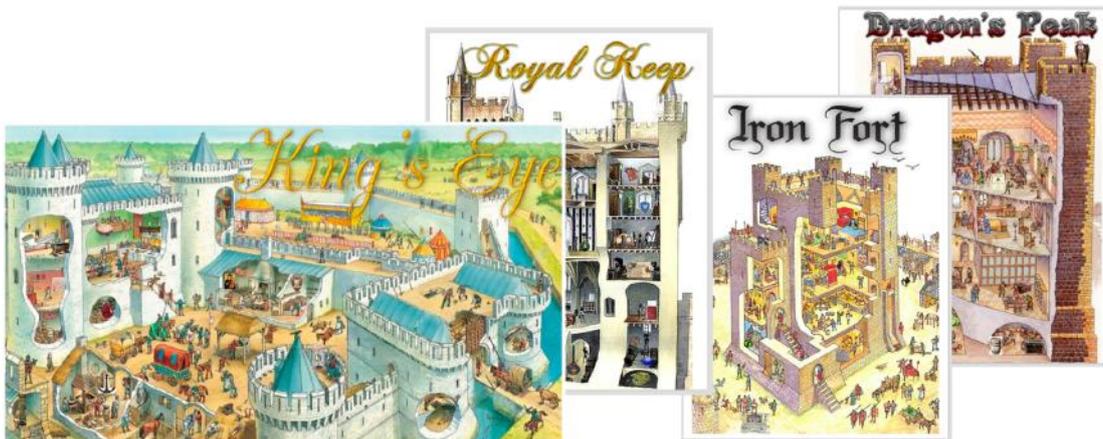
As a reminder to all existing and new parents, boys are welcome to donate books on the occasion of their birthday. We will put them in the Wetherbuzz and the books will contain a special sticker which records the birthday and donation.

English Department

Spell Seekers

Week 2 charms and word lists:

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
		
<p>Plurals ending -ch and -sh</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. stretches 2. scratches 3. sandwiches 4. torches 5. reaches 6. watches 7. witches 8. arches 9. washes 10. crashes 11. eyelashes 12. heard 	<p>Plurals: ending -ss -s</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. addresses 2. actresses 3. witnesses 4. dresses 5. guesses 6. illnesses 7. mattresses 8. princesses 9. successes 10. geniuses 11. business 12. important 	<p>Words ending -le</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. multiple 2. vehicle 3. article 4. sensible 5. recycle 6. staple 7. triple 8. shuffle 9. sprinkle 10. turtle 11. knuckle 12. struggle 13. muscle 14. forty



Figurative Top 5

#1

"The dry air brushed past me as if it wanted someone to talk to."

- Nur Y8

"The bikes flew by in a flash sending a wave of sand behind, leaving the horizon view of the huge tumble weed reaching for the blazing sun."

- Oscar Y8

"The gargantuan combination of monster and metal towered over them."

- Aidan Y8

"Beautiful birds flew across the endless sky like jets preparing for a parade."

- Antony Y5

"I was in a dark and enchanted forest with thickets of trees looming over me like soldiers ready for battle."

- Michael Y5



Science Department

Miss Sharp writes...

During the summer term just gone, Year 3 (current Year 4) planted seeds in Science.

I have been very impressed to see an update of how the plants have been getting on. As you can see from the photo below, Bear's sunflower is now taller than him! Well done, Bear; I can see you have been watering the plant well, especially in all the heat we have had this summer.

Keep up the green-fingers!



Art Department

Miss Kirby writes...

<http://www.serpentinegalleries.org/exhibitions-events/christo-and-jeanne-claude-london-mastaba>

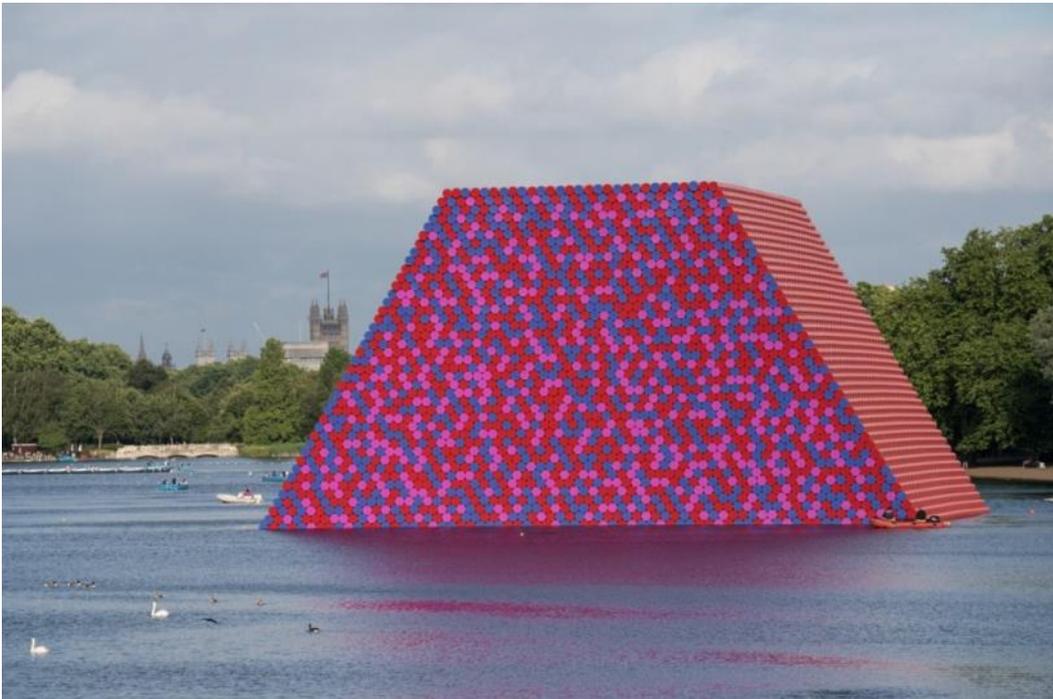
The Wetherby Running Club have been intrigued by the huge floating Public Art work 'Mastaba' by Christo and Jeanne Claude as they jog through Hyde Park. Composed of over 7,000 oil barrels, the sculpture by the revered artist will float on the Serpentine Lake in London's Hyde Park until September 23 2018.

Does this piece of Artwork change the way you see the Serpentine Lake and the Hyde Park? How did you feel when you saw it for the first time? What questions would you have for the artist?

Accolades will be given to any boy who writes a brief reflection on this Artwork or if preferred, just pop into the Art Room for a chat about it.

Follow this link for a fantastic BBC documentary on the work of Christo and Jeanne Claude:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b0bjj23v/christo-and-jeanneclaude-monumental-art#>



Creating Christmas Cards in the Art Department

It has been wonderful to hear about all of the culture that the boys have soaked up over the summer holidays. We begin our term creating individual Christmas cards that will be sent to the printers in the next few weeks. The boys have really enjoyed making their designs and hearing about the Art topics we will cover over this term.



Wetherby SPORT

Football Term

7/9/2018

Under 13A vs. Bede's School

The A team lost in the opening round of the National cup competition 2-3 but showed great character to score a late goal to make Bede School's defence nervous in the latter stages.

Man of the match: Samuel

8/9/2018

Under 11A and 1st XI

Both teams did incredibly well and made it to the final of the Arnold House cup competition. Unfortunately, both teams finished runners up as the under 11A team lost agonizingly on penalties and the 1st XI 1-0. Highlights for the under 11 included 5-0 and 6-0 wins and the 1st XI impressive 2-1 win over Arnold House and reaching the final.

1st team Man of the tournament: Adam

Under 11A Man of the tournament: Beckett

10/9/2018

Under 11 A-D v Arnold House

The B and D team both lost whilst the A's and C's recorded wins in their opening game of the season, netting 5 goals each.

Man of the match A: Sami

Man of the match B: Ayrton

Man of the match C: Samuel

Man of the match D: Joshua

11/9/2018

Under 9A-C v Falcons School

Mammoth wins for all 3 teams as Wetherby complete a 25-1 aggregate across the 3 games.

Man of the match A: Alessandro

Man of the match B: Alexander

Man of the match C: Arlo

12/9/2018

Under 13A/Under 12A v Falcons School

Two wins out of two for Wetherby as the 13A's won 4-3 whilst the under 12A's won 7-0.





Under 9 Franchise players in action demonstrating the Rondo.



Under 9Bs against Falcons School (Top picture) and Under 8's training session (Bottom picture).



Classics Department (Lingua Latina)



Institutum Studiis Latinis Schola Wetherbiana

NUNTIO (announcement): Classics essay writing competition



Magister Vogiatzis scribit...

The Classics Department at Wetherby School would like to invite **Year 6, 7 and 8** boys to participate in an exciting Classics essay writing competition. The topics as well as the application process have just been announced and the deadline is the **30 November 2018**. I would like to encourage as many boys as possible to participate in this fun competition and one that will help them develop their analytical, thinking and writing skills when researching Greek and Roman Mythology and Civilization. This is the first out of the three competitions that the Classics Department will be running this academic year 2018-2019. The other two will take place during the Spring and Summer Terms and will assess the boys' mnemonic as well as linguistic skills through activities of memorizing ancient poetry and finding English derivatives from Latin and Greek words.

WETHERBY CLASSICS ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION 2018

For Years 6, 7 and 8: approximately 1500 – 2500 words. Illustrations (with captions) are welcome. Choose ONE of the following topics:

a) GREEK GODS

Zeus wishes to recognise the gods' benefits to mankind and has decided to offer an award to the other gods entitled "Most helpful to mankind". You, as one of the Olympian gods, would like to compete for it. Set out your case in a style of your choosing.

In your answer you should explain why your chosen god is more helpful to mankind than the others. You will need to use relevant mythological material to back up your argument.

b) GREEK MYTHOLOGY

"From its origin to its final consequences the Trojan War was an ongoing cycle of meaningless revenge." To what extent is this an accurate description of the mythical conflict?

In your answer you should include reference to the causes, events and after effects of the war. You may use both ancient literature and art in support of your answer.

c) GREEK/ROMAN ART

What do you consider to be the finest example of Ancient Greek and/or Roman sculpture that has survived to the modern day?

In your answer you should aim to compare at least three surviving examples of sculptures, either architectural or free standing, before reaching your conclusion. You should provide illustrations of your chosen works and consider such aspects as form, composition and aesthetic quality amongst other things in your analysis.



d) WARFARE

In whose army would you rather have served: Julius Caesar's or Alexander the Great's?

In your answer you should imagine what life would have been like serving both generals. You might wish to consider such aspects as their leadership style, battle strategy, military campaigns and their treatment of their soldiers amongst other things in reaching your conclusions.

e) ROMAN BRITAIN

You are a Roman soldier that has taken part in overcoming the revolt of Queen Boudicca in Roman Britain. Write a letter home to your family telling of your experiences and of your hopes and fears as the Roman Army went about opposing the revolt.

In your answer you should mention both the facts of the conflict and your own personal response to the events.

f) SPORT

Gladiator games were banned in AD 404. Should they have been banned sooner?

You should consider what was good and bad about gladiator games, and refer to specific examples of benefits and problems. You should reach a conclusion as to whether banning gladiators as entertainment would have been a good thing.

Submission of entries for 2018 Competition

Candidates must put their **name**, and **form** on the FRONT COVER PAGE of their entries. This information should NOT be placed on the pages of the essay itself.

[The judges would like to see a bibliography or a list of the sources consulted.](#)

[A word count should be given.](#)

Entries may be submitted electronically or by post.

Electronic Submission

Entries should be submitted in Microsoft Word format only. Please do not use difficult

fonts (e.g. all capitals).

Entries should be emailed as attachments to

thomas.vogiatzis@wetherbyprep.co.uk

With the email subject 'Wetherby Classics Essay Competition Entry 2018'.

Please include your name and form.

OR They can be handed in person to Mr Vogiatzis in (8V).

The **closing date for entries is the 30 November 2018.**

Please feel free to submit entries before this deadline.

Gratias Vobis Ago,

Thomas Vogiatzis (Head of Classics at Wetherby)



CLUBS

Miss Bevan and Miss Kroiter write...

Running Club

On Tuesday morning we were so pleased to have such a great turn out for the first running club of the year. The boys did really well, only stopping for a quick photo in front of Christo's 'The London Mastaba' which is currently floating on the Serpentine Lake in Hyde Park.

Could we please remind parents that boys should be dropped off at school no later than 7:40 so we can make a prompt start at 7:45.

Thank you!



Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

Lower School		Upper School	
3P	Samuele	6J	Chase
4A	Raphael	6L	Kyu
	Dylan	6T	Rocco
4L	Murad	7H	Nadhmi
4M	Alexander	7M	Max
4S	Elias	7W	George
5B	Daniil	8B	Frankie
5C	Jack	8F	John
5K	Miron	8G	Alexander
5S	Kieran	8V	Brick

Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

Samuele – 21

Weekly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Chepstow	Dawson	Pembridge	Westbourne
467	456	443	404

Yearly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Pembridge Captain Z. Roda	Dawson Captain N. Sesson-Farre	Chepstow Captain N. Dyer	Westbourne Captain A. Jayaraj
623	616	607	546

Form Class Winners

First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Form 4L 148	Form 6T 147	Form 5C 139

Form Class Winners



Out of School Achievements

Innes — Adult Black Belt

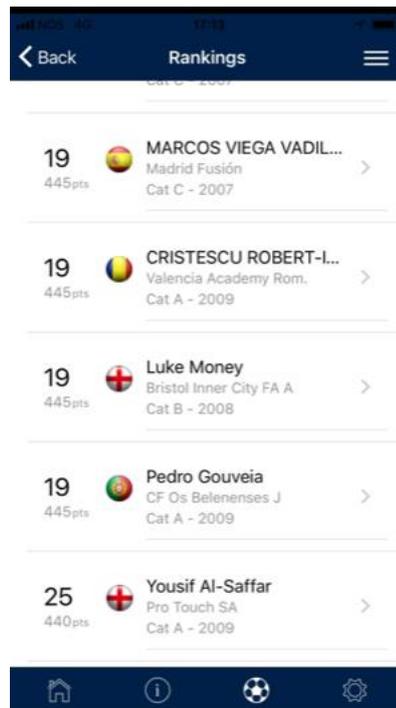
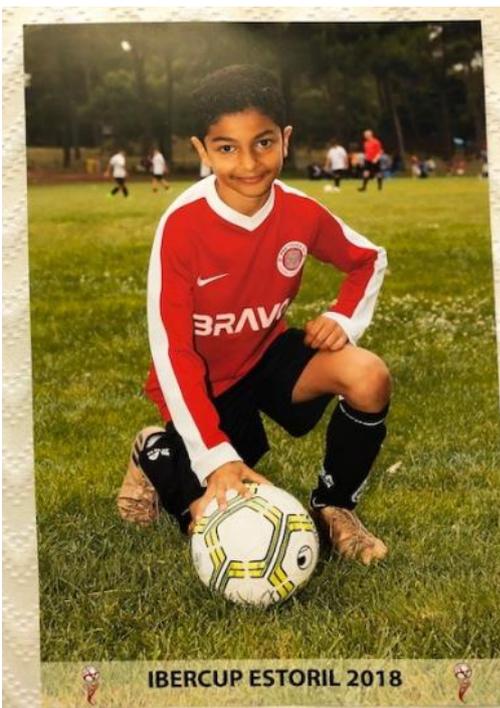
Innes (6L) was awarded his Kick Boxing adult black belt, at Xen Do School of Kick Boxing and Martial Arts.



Yousif — Pro Touch Soccer Academy

Yousif (5K) played with his teammates representing England and Pro Touch Soccer Academy for the under 9 category in the Iber Cup Tournament.

They had an amazing time there and played brilliantly until they were knocked out in the quarter finals game. Up until that game, Yousif was ranked 25th among hundreds of players between the age of 9-15 years. He scored two hat-tricks in two games in one day!



Sohum — Chess Tournaments and Championships

This summer Sohum (5B) competed in several tournaments locally and internationally. One of the highlights was the 'London junior chess classic' qualifier tournament recently where he won 1st place! He was undefeated and won 6 out of 6 rounds.



Sohum also competed in the 109th British chess championships in the city of Hull in July. He defeated some of England's top juniors to rank 2nd in the Under 9 age category.



Philip and Thomas — Ice Hockey

Philip (7W) represented the Slovenia Ice Hockey Team as they took the bronze medal after playing against teams from the US, Canada, Ukraine, Sweden, Slovakia, Austria, Germany and Italy.

Philip played centre and was the sixth highest goal scorer out of 120 players.



Last Sunday Thomas(4A) played three U9 ice hockey games in Harringey for his Streatham team. His team won all three games. Thomas scored 15 goals.

Thomas was awarded Man of the Match!



Photos of the Week



The Wetherby Prep boys have had a great start to the year!

Elias (4S), Daniel (2T Wetherby Kensington) and Thomas (4A) spent a fun-filled Friday night at Dino Snores @TheNaturalHistoryMuseum, and slept under the blue whale in the Hintze Hall!



Miss Sharp with the boys and Wycombe the horse.
The new Thursday after school riding club.



Freddie with TV historian Dan Snow after a lecture about Queen Victoria at Kensington Palace on Wednesday night.





Boys enjoying Table Tennis Club.



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