

# WETHERBUZZ

2019/20 | Autumn Term | Week 8



# WEEK 8: 4th — 10th November 2019

## MONDAY

- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Swimming for **Year 3, 4 and 5A** – 9am-12:30pm
- Games for **Year 6** – 1:30-4pm
- U11 A – D vs. Surbiton High (A) – 2:30pm

## TUESDAY

- **Lower School Assessments**
- Swimming for **5K, 5O and 5T** – 9-11am
- Games for **Year 6** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Years 3 and 4** – 1:30-4pm
- U9 A – F vs. Arnold House (A) – 2:30pm
- U9 G & H vs. Arnold House (H) – 2:30pm
- U8 vs. Arnold House (A) – 2:30pm
- 8B, 8G and 8S Parents' Evening - 5-8pm

## WEDNESDAY

- **Lower School Assessments**
- Games for **Year 3 and 4** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 1:30-4pm
- U8 NHP Football Tournament (A) – 1:45pm
- U13 A vs. Cothill School (A) – 2:15pm
- U11 A vs. Cothill School (A) – 2:15pm
- U12 A, B & U13 B vs. Fulham Prep School (H) – 2:30pm
- U12 C, D and U13 C, D vs. Fulham Prep School (A) – 2:30pm

## THURSDAY

- **Lower School Assessments**
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 5** – 1:30-4pm
- U10 A – G vs. The Hall (H) – 2:30pm
- IAPS U11 Rugby Qualifiers @ Trinity School – all day
- 7B and half of 7L (Ali Hussain-Goetz) Parents' Evening – 5-8pm

## FRIDAY

- Staff Meeting – 8am
  - Whole School Assembly at Church of the Annunciation – 8:30am
- THIS EVENT WILL BE STREAMED LIVE ON INSTAGRAM 

## SATURDAY

- Chamber Choir Rehearsal Weekend at WSS – 10am-4pm
- Royal Russell U9 Football Tournament – am

## Monday Clubs

- Chamber Choir – 4-5pm
- Creative Writing – 4-5pm
- Debating – 4-5pm
- Drawing – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Football – 4-6pm
- Latin – Scholarship – 4-5pm
- Indoor Sports – 4-5pm
- Lego – 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing – 4-5pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

## Tuesday Clubs

- Morning Mental Maths – 7:45-8:20am
- Morning Running – 7:45-8:20am
- Wetherby Voices – 8-9am
- Art & Crafts – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Cricket Academy – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Latin – Common Entrance – 4-5pm
- Robotics – 4-5pm
- Wetherby Choir – 4-5pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

## Wednesday Clubs

- Morning Drawing – 7:45-8:20am
- Swimming – Upper School Swim Squad A&B – 7:30-8:30am
- Elite Chess – 8-9am
- Code Club – Lower School – 4-5pm
- D&T / Engineering Club – 4-5pm
- Detectives – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Maths Games and Puzzles – 4-5pm
- Music Club – Theory and Musicianship – 4-5pm
- Reasoning – 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing – 4-5pm
- Swimming – Lower School Swim Squad – 4:15-5pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

## Thursday Clubs

- Morning Mental Maths – 7:45-8:20
- Rowing – 7:15-9am
- Running – 7:45-8:45am
- Swimming – School Swim Squad – 7:30-8:30am
- Bowed Strings – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Code Club – Upper School – 4-5pm
- Drawing Club – Upper School – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Maths Revision – 4-5pm
- Science Club – 4-5pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

## Friday Clubs

- Whole School Clubs – 2:15-4pm

## SUNDAY

- Chamber Choir Rehearsal Weekend at WSS – 10am-4pm

# From the Headmaster

Dear Parents,

I think I say it every year but, 'Wow!', where did that half term go? A colleague in a previous school always used to say to me, "The reason I like being a teacher is that you're never more than six weeks away from a holiday." A fair point but the majority of colleagues I have worked with would say that wishing one's life away is not a fulfilling way to exist and the speed at which the terms seem to fly by is an indicator of job satisfaction for the teaching community. The standard of work produced by the Wetherby boys has been particularly outstanding this half of term and one only needs to look at the bill for our match teas for this half term to see that over two-and-a-half thousand boys have participated in football matches at Wetherby Sports Ground – that is a truly great stat. New boys settling in really well, previous boys continuing from where they left off; it is all good here and we look forward to the second half of the term when 'Wetherby does Christmas'. Jingle all the way...



Another thing I say every year is how impressed we are with the Year 8 boys at our annual Open Evening which occurred on Wednesday. This year the boys were particularly superb – a marketing army that did so much to promote our School and make a positive impression on all the prospective parents they toured around the building. Engaging with strangers, old and young, is a skill and an art and arguably the most important lesson the boys will ever learn. Our boys seem to develop this communicative ability, osmosis-like, from one another, pupils and staff alike, in and around the atmosphere of the School. Whatever the magic concoction is, it clearly works as these boys have conversational skills that are articulate, confident, engaging, charming and humorous — no-one can fail to be impressed by them. Good parenting, good education #wetherbypreteamwork

I trust everyone has enjoyable plans for the half term break. If you're the wife of Nick Baker, you swan off to Majorca with some girlfriends for the first five days but that gives me time to relax, reflect on a productive half term just gone, write the Year 6 ICAS references and let my two boys educate me in the new season of Fortnite and FIFA...which both look identical to the previous versions but what do I know...

Have a great half term and thank you for all your support this term.

Nick Baker

# *From the Deputy Head*

**Mrs Furnell writes...**

## **WhatsApp Guide for Parents**

On Monday, Mr Thorne spoke to Year 6 about the importance of using social media safely and appropriately in an assembly. As such, we have attached to the Wetherbuzz a 'WhatsApp Guide for Parents' to share some advice/tips with you to support your son at home.

## **Year 8 Tour Guides – Open Evening**

I would just like to thank all the brilliant Year 8 boys who took part in Open Evening and stayed behind after school to help tour prospective parents. We had such positive feedback from the parents with many saying the Year 8 tour guides were the 'highlight of the evening'. They really are the perfect ambassadors for Wetherby, holding conversation well and displaying excellent manners. Thank you, Year 8!



## *Citizen of the Week*

This week's Citizen of the Week is **Fergus F in 7M**. As I mention in my notes above, the Year 8 boys were outstanding tour guides but we also had some Year 7s who did equally impressive work in the Science Department working through the various experiments with prospective parents and boys. One member of staff noted this morning, "Special mention to our star of the evening, Fergus (Year 7), whose social skills and scientific knowledge was fantastic! He didn't need any teachers around. He was brilliant!"



## *Sportsman of the Week*

Sportsman of the Week this week is **Sebastian W in 8B**. Sebastian loves his football and really inspires his teammates with his enthusiasm and will to win. He has grown in confidence on the pitch this season and is a real 'go to' teammate. Well done, Sebastian!



## *Class-Achievement*

Miss Flomet's 5T French Class

# Kindness Cup



## Kian F (6C)

- ◆ When Zach's tooth came out at break this week, Kian swooped in to help him and got him some tissue to wrap it up and stop any bleeding. A medic in the making! **Mrs Furnell**
- ◆ In French, I was feeling a bit unhappy from what happened in a previous lesson. Kian kindly ran downstairs and got me some tissues so I think he should get the Kindness Cup. **Aydan I**

## Other notable 'Acts of Kindness'

### ◆ Ardavan P (8V)

Brilliant during the show-round for prospective parents and always so kind. **Mr Gascoine**

### ◆ Beckett W (7B) and Sebastian D (8B)

This week, Beckett was kind enough to take my tray all the way from my office to the History classroom so I didn't have to carry it and then when I forgot my surface pro, Sebastian very kindly went to get this for me. Thank you, boys! **Mrs Furnell**

◆ **Shiv D (7M)**

Shiv helped me last week on Thursday when I hurt my knee and on Friday, he helped me carry my bag and assist in helping me walk. I really think he should be nominated as he was a good friend and helper. **Daniel L**

◆ **Fergus F, Jack G and Leonardo B (Year 7)**

All three volunteered to help Science out for open evening. They went out of their way to speak to everyone who came to the labs. They were so kind to all of the boys who were nervous doing the practicals. They were absolutely INCREDIBLE during open evening in the Science Department and made the Science Department very proud. **Miss Casserly**

◆ **Alexandre D (5K)**

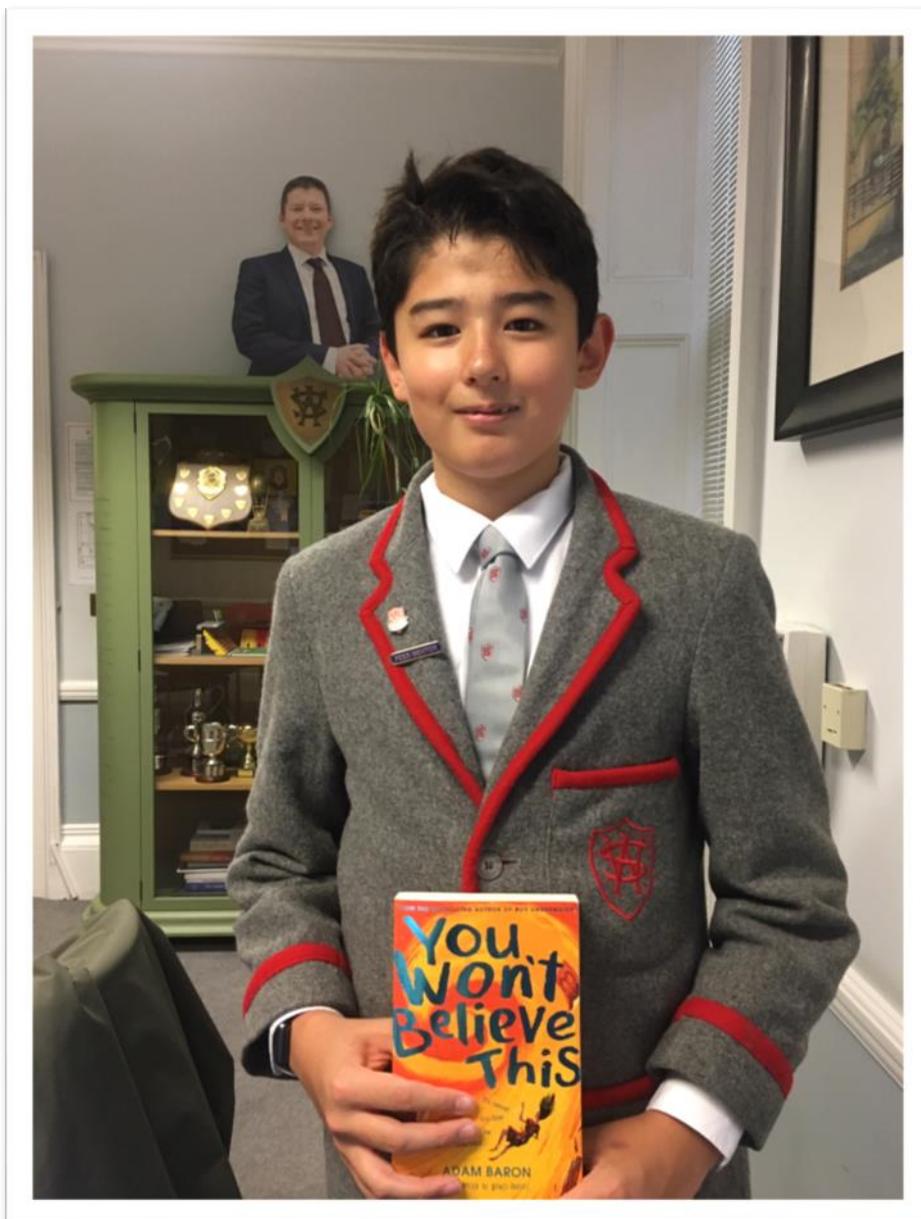
Alex always shows impeccable manners at home time and always offers to take lost boys to homework club or help look for their belongings. He is always so cheerful and is a fantastic role model for the Year 5s. **Miss Bevan**

◆ **Alexander G (6F)**

I suggest Alex for the Kindness Cup because I could not play on the football pitch because of my shoes so Alex, very kindly, swapped shoes and with no fuss, kept on playing. **John C**

# Birthday Books

Happy Birthday to Jonny C who celebrated his 13th birthday recently. Thank you for the book for the library and Happy Birthday!



# Notices

**Mrs Jenne writes...**

## **Atom Learning**

All boys in Year 5 are now set up with a login for Atom Learning ([www.atomlearning.co.uk](http://www.atomlearning.co.uk)) to help them with their Non Verbal and Verbal Reasoning. I regularly upload homework for them to complete and there are additional practice exercises on the website to help with their Reasoning revision at home over half term.

ATOM LEARNING

# MATHS CHALLENGES!

Pupils who have answered correctly and therefore achieved greatness!

## LOWER SCHOOL BRAINIACS

Ziyang P	James B
Alexander K	SushiMaster
Burrito Boy	Sebastien B
Raahil U	

## UPPER SCHOOL BRAINIACS

Burrito Byson	Canadian Bacon
Laith A	Taymour A
Rishaan U	The 5B's
Afonso de Lacerda	The Great Great Snail
Oliver 'the boss' B	

## LOWER SCHOOL CHALLENGE

**puzzling circles**

An island of seals inhabits this circular island of ice. One day the family row they agree to divide the ice island into three identical pieces with the same number of seals in each part as they are positioned now. How do they do it?



**circle**

She then placed 10 penguins into a magic circle. She then drew 3 more magic circles inside the large one so that if none of the penguins crossed any of the magic lines they would each have 3 penguins in each compartment. How did she do it?

## UPPER SCHOOL CHALLENGE

*The Boss (lower Bush) Hyname*

**47 What's the time? LEVEL 3**  
This one's twice as hard as our first clock problem. Work out to which number the little hand should be pointing on the third clock face and also the number to which the big hand should be pointing on the fourth clock face.



Please remember to write your full name on the answer sheets.



# Top Ten Speed Kings

1.	Raahil U	Year 3	1 min 35 secs (WWR)
2.	Zaym Z	Year 3	1 min 38 secs
	Samuele B	Year 4	1 min 38 secs
3.	Oliver P	Year 5	1 min 40 secs
4.	Ezra W	Year 5	1 min 51 secs
5.	Elias R	Year 5	1 min 58 secs
	Max B	Year 5	1 min 58 secs
6.	Gleb I	Year 3	2 mins
7.	Diego R	Year 5	2 mins 15 secs
8.	Alessandro A	Year 5	2 mins 17 secs
9.	Jonah K	Year 5	2 mins 18 secs
10.	Dylan E	Year 4	2 mins 27 secs

## Mr Gascoine writes...

Just goes to show the calibre of this year's Top Ten when times of 2 mins 42 secs (Eren), 2 mins 28 secs (Mir) and 3 mins 28 secs (William) do not get into the big 12! Therefore, it's as you are. Time out for half-term.



# English Department

## Figurative TOP 5

### #1

*In the sea of my dreams, unreal, mind-blowing fish of all hues make friends with sharks, which have teeth shaped like daggers that shine like stars.*

Sholto S, Year 6

*All of a sudden the creepy policeman looked carefully and deeply into the prisoners eyes.*

Theodore H, Year 4

*“The sky change to orange and then red, and the sun rose in a glorious explosion of pink and gold.”*

Raahil H, Year 5

*“Came the dazzling sun of beaming amber at dawn,/ Candied smiles of golden embraces surround me,/ Awash with sparkling chatterings.”*

Extract from a poem, Damien G, Year 7

*The clash of lives had ended for the field, as the blood gave growth to the ignorant towers of nature once more.*

Elliot C, Year 8

# Lower School

## POETRY WRITING

### SHORTLISTED

#### Truth

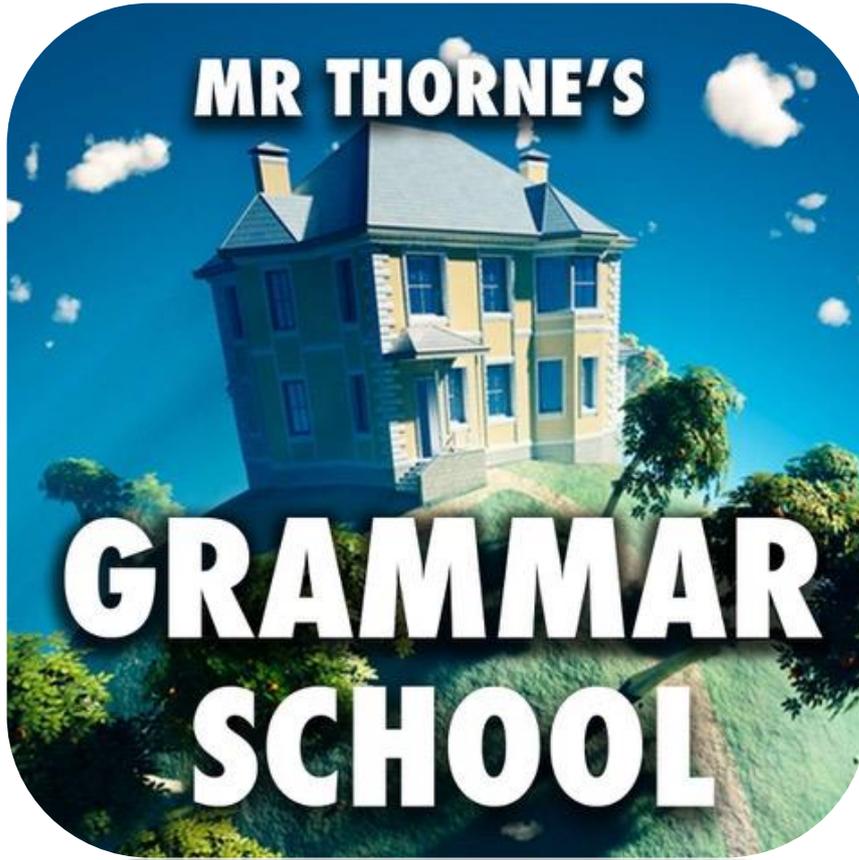
*By Jack G (7M)*

What happened to the truth in the news,  
Leading to thoughts we did not choose.  
Never the politicians say the real thing,  
We've been taken under a liar's wing.

Never the leaders have good morals,  
All they want are petty quarrels.  
Never the leaders lead a good life,  
All they want is petty strife.

All the general public need,  
A person without personal greed.  
Someone to care, with the purest heart,  
And then the peace would finally start.





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# Music Department

Miss Orpwood writes...

## Breakfast Concert

On Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October we kicked off our performance season with an absolutely fantastic Breakfast Concert. A huge well done to the following boys for their performances: Hugo M-S (4S), Theodore H (4S), Methu M (4S), Hugo S (4E), William S (4H), Amar De R (5O), Elias R (5O), G L (5O), Dylan Du C (5O), Bear S (5T), William D (5T), Alessandro A (5A), Ziyang P (5A), Oliver P (5K), Henry M-S (6A), Kit K (7B), Thomas D(7L), Innes A (7M) and Andre D (8S). They have set the standard extremely high for the rest of the year.



## Miss Orpwood's Concerts in November

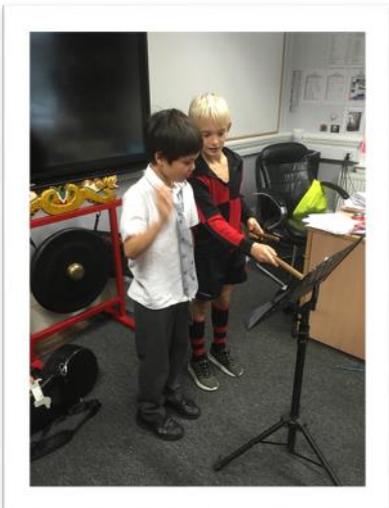
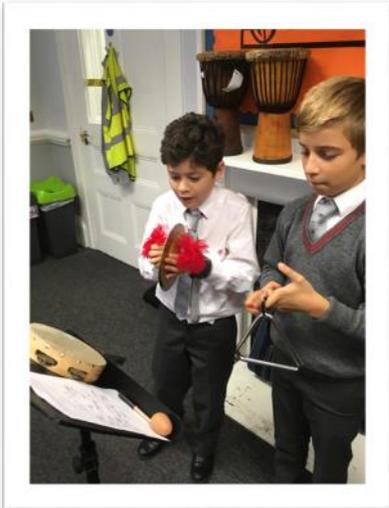
Miss Orpwood will also be performing in two concerts in November with London City Orchestra. These will be taking place on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at St Andrew's Church in Holborn (EC4A 3AF) and Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November at St Peter and St Paul's Church in Bromley, both starting at 7:30pm. The orchestra's theme for the concerts this season is 'The Elements' and during this concert we will be performing pieces inspired by water. We will be playing an incredible piece by Vaughan Williams which includes a full orchestra and choir, his 'Sea Symphony'. Please do come along and watch if you are free, I really think the boys would enjoy and benefit from watching an orchestral and choral work and it is always lovely to see some friendly faces in the audience. You can purchase tickets via the orchestra's website:



Mrs Tomsett-Rowe writes...

## Composition

Year 5 and 6 have been composing using the percussion instruments. Year 5 have been focusing on the elements of music and used their knowledge to compose music to accompany a chase scene, having studied 'In the Hall of the Mountain King' by Grieg. Year 6 have been listening to Baroque music and learnt about different musical structures. They have all composed Rondo form pieces.



# Art Department

Mrs Garvey writes...

## Aboriginal Dot Paintings

Year 5 have been painting Aboriginal dot paintings onto canvas using acrylic paints. This great project allows them to tell a story using Aboriginal codes and dream patterns. What a lovely way the end the half-term in Art.



# Wetherby SPORT

## Football Term Sports Report

### U8 and U9 A team tournament at Cothill School

Both the U8s and U9s travelled to Cothill for a fun packed day of football. The U8s came away with 1 win and 3 losses but played some excellent football along the way. The U9s went one step further coming away with silverware after going the whole tournament undefeated.

### U10 A – G vs. Thomas's Battersea and Newland House

The U10s recorded 4 wins and 1 draw on Thursday with the highlight being a 13-1 win for the C team against Thomas's Battersea B team.

**Man of the match A's: Arlo N-R**

**B's: Alexandre D**

**C's: Redmond M**

**D's: Lewis D**

**E's: Alex Q**

**F's: Jamie H**

**G's: Louis L**

### U11 A,B,D,F vs. Thomas's Clapham

The U11s picked up 3 wins and 1 draws from their 4 matches against Thomas's Clapham. The highlight being a come from behind victory for the F team 5-3 against Thomas's D team.

**Man of the match A's: Yousif Al-S**

**B's: Arthur G**

**D's: Elendu U**

**F's: Elliot S**

### U9 B, D, F and H Quadrangular vs. The Mall, Falcons and Hampton Prep

The U9s picked up 3 wins from 8 matches. The highlight being an outstanding 4-1 victory for the A team vs The Hall A team.

**Man of the match B's: William S**

**D's: Justin W**

**F's: Theodore E**

**H's: Romell J**

### U9 C, E and G vs. St Stephens

**Man of the Match C's: Lorenzo R**

**E's: Miles C**

**G's: Theodore S**

### U13 A, C and D vs. Westminster Under

The U13s came away with 1 win and 1 draw from there 3 matches the highlight being a 4-0 for the C team.

**Man of the match A's: Chinua O**

**C's: Alexander K**

**D's: Sebastian W**

### U12 A, C and D vs. Westminster Under

The U12s recorded 1 win from there 3 matches against Westminster. The Highlight being an impressive 7-1 for the A team.

**Man of the Match A's: Sebastian B**

**C's: John C**

**D's: Innes A**

### U9 A team Knightsbridge Tournament

The U9s recorded an impressive 6 wins and 1 loss at the Knightsbridge tournament. Scoring an incredible 20 goals and only conceding 1 all tournament. Unfortunately the team just missed out on top spot finishing as runners up overall.

**Player of the tournament: Max M**



# Outdoor Learning

Miss Hood writes...

## 3H's First Outdoor Learning Session

3H went on their first outdoor learning session on Thursday to Hampstead Heath. We explored lots of different team building and problem solving activities, from the human knot to the ants nest to building a den big enough to fit all of the boys in! Despite the torrential rain, the boys all got stuck in (literally!) and showed stacks of enthusiasm and support for their peers. We even had some of the boys receive their first 'contour' reward for their great demonstration of resilience. A super fun experience had by all, we can't wait to learn in the outdoors again!



# Charities

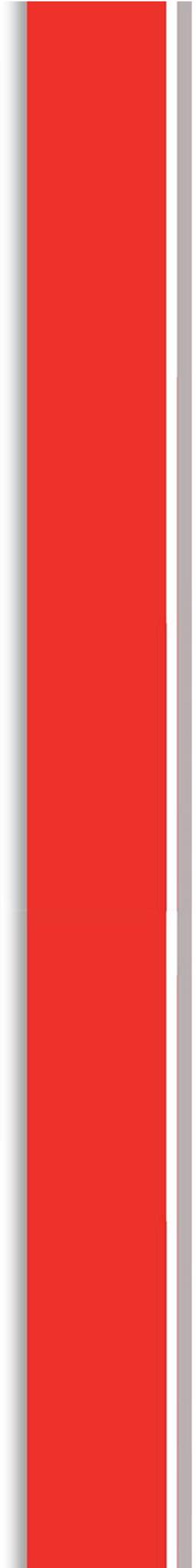
Miss Kroiter writes...

## Mufti Day

Thank you for all your donations. It was great to see you in your home clothes.

Happy half term!





### Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

Lower School		Upper School	
3H	Elliot S	6A	Rishaan U
4E	Daniel A-C	6C	Elendu U
4H	Nicolas V	6F	Samuel B
4P	Justin W	6M	Yousif Al-S
4S	Adam I		Laith A
5A	Oliver B	7B	Sebastian B
5K	Oscar D	7L	Oliver T
5O	Ethan W	7M	Innes A
	Dillon Du C	8B	Sebastian W
5T	William D	8G	Lucas N
		8S	Philip M
		8V	Jasper H

### Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

Philip Maguire – 55

### Weekly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
<b>Pembridge</b> Captain G. Granovski	<b>Westbourne</b> Captain M. Papisavvas	<b>Dawson</b> Captain B. Govindan	<b>Chepstow</b> Captain A. Pesendorfer
738	733	709	696

### Yearly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
<b>Pembridge</b> Captain G. Granovski	<b>Dawson</b> Captain B. Govindan	<b>Chepstow</b> Captain A. Pesendorfer	<b>Westbourne</b> Captain M. Papisavvas
3,928	3,809	3,441	3,313

# Form Class Winners

First Place	Second Place	Third Place
<b>Form 7B</b> 263	<b>Form 8S</b> 253	<b>Form 7M</b> 250



# Out of School Achievements

## Jack G (7M) - Charity Run

Jack did his first 5K charity run on Saturday, raising money for Great Ormond Street Hospital, and although the weather was very wet and the park a quagmire of mud, he achieved a great time of 31 minutes and 21 seconds.

Well done, Jack!



# Photos of the Week







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