



ST. CATHERINE'S SCHOOL

TWICKENHAM

SENIOR NEWSLETTER

Friday 7 June 2019

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 12 June	Year 7 to The Globe Theatre
Thursday 13 June	Years 8 & 9 Maths (sets 1) to Bletchley Park Art Exhibition—Private View 4.15pm
Friday 14 June	Art Exhibition 4.00pm
Saturday 15 June	Whole School Open Afternoon 1.00pm-3.00pm
Tuesday 18 June	Upper School Production at The Exchange 7.30pm
Wednesday 19 June	ISA Athletics Finals at Birmingham NPL Rocket Challenge (6 pupils only) Summer Concert 7.00pm
Thursday 20 June	Year 8 to Black Country Museum
Friday 21 June	Mufti Day for Summer Fair
Sunday 23 June	FOSC Summer Fair 11.30am –3.00pm
Monday 24 June	Dance Soiree
Tuesday 25 June	Sixth Form Experience for Year 10
Thursday 27 June	Year 8 to V&A Museum New Year 7 Induction 6.30pm
Friday 28 June	Key Stage 3 Pastoral Day DofE Silver Assessment

FROM THE HEADMISTRESS

Welcome back to you all after what I hope was an enjoyable half term. As I write today, the rain outside looks quite wintery; however, it was lovely that the girls were able to enjoy some sunshine over the break, which must have been especially welcome for those busy revising.

Public exams have been running for a few weeks now and I have been pleased to hear from Year 11 and 13 girls about some of the ones they have been happy with, and impressed with some very resilient comments about the papers that were more difficult than expected. The School is very proud of the girls' commitment and approach during this period and we all wish them continued good luck for the papers to come. And of course, girls in other years have also been working hard in their internal exams.

Assessments aside, there is a sense of anticipation as we all prepare for the exciting events to come this term. I look forward to seeing you at these.

With best wishes
Mrs McPherson

Richmond Borough in Bloom Floral Art Competition 2019

This year all our Year 7 and 8 Students produced a piece of work for the competition. We selected about twenty of the best and entered these for the two categories C and D, which covered the ages 8-11 and 12-16.

We were delighted that Mia Feldmar won both the Category D and over all with her piece being selected for the final poster.

We went along to a lovely presentation at York House in the afternoon of May the 20th and Mia won a bumper pack of Art Materials and a £50 Garden Centre voucher for the school.



DRAMA PRODUCTION

'Alle The Dysk's A Stage!'

Rehearsals are well underway for the 2019 Upper School Production. Girls from Year 9 and upwards will be performing Terry Pratchett's 'Wyrd Sisters', adapted by Stephen Briggs, at The Exchange in Twickenham. The cast have been working extremely hard on this humorous adaptation of Shakespeare's 'Macbeth', featuring 'a wicked duke and duchess, the ghost of a murdered king, dim soldiers, strolling players, a land in peril. And who stands between the Kingdom and destruction? Three witches: Granny Weatherwax (intolerant, self-opinionated, powerful), Nanny Ogg (down-to-earth, vulgar) and Magrat Garlick (naïve, fond of occult jewellery and bunnies).'



Rehearsals are in full swing.

Key information:

Where? The Exchange, Twickenham

When? Tuesday 18th June

What time? 7.30pm - although the bar is open beforehand

Suitable for? Ages 8+

Tickets are £5 for adults and £3 for children. They can be purchased by returning the slip that is pinned to Twitter (@stcatherinessch) and will also be emailed.

We look forward to seeing you and making you cackle with laughter!

Sarah Collett—Head of Drama

ISA Athletics Results: 5th June 2019

We are extremely proud to announce that St Catherine's achieved 3rd place overall at this event. This is a fantastic achievement, given there were 17 other Senior Girls Schools competing. All students were a real delight to work with, excellent ambassadors for their school and should be extremely proud of their collective achievement.

We await confirmation of those competitors who are to be selected to represent London West at the National School's Championships in Birmingham on Wed 19th June.

U17. Yr10/11: Event	Name	Position	Score
Relay	B Roberts, T Palmer, A Kenningham, J Thomas	3rd	00.56.50
100m	J Thomas	4th	13.35
200m	A Kenningham	7th	29.71
300m	B Roberts	5th	49.32
800m	P Simms	6th	02:55.45
1500m	T Palmer	3rd	05:38.33
80m Hurdles	J Thomas	1st	00:13.37
Discus	A Ndauguibe	2nd	18.99
Javelin	P Simms	2nd	21.45
Shot	A Ndauguibe	7th	7.13
Long Jump	B Roberts	7th	4.1
High Jump	T Palmer	2nd	1.35
Triple Jump	M Foster	1st	9.25 New record!

EventU15. Yr8-9:	Name	Position	Score
Relay	T Berkett, I Williams, L Subak Sharpe, I Hames	6th	00:57.15
100m	T Berkett	7th	00:13.39
200m	T Berkett	9th	00:28.54
800m	A Thomas	3rd	02:33.70
1500m	I Williams	2nd	05:12.84
75m Hurdles	I Hames	5th	00:14.22
Discus	L Subak-Sharpe	3rd	19.27
Javelin	E Pantan	2nd	26.42
Shot	A Kaur	9th	6.89
Long Jump	E Charlton	7th	4.05
High Jump	E Pantan	1st	1.40

U13. Yr7:

Event	Name	Position	Score
Relay	Z Young, N Klieger, J Sakaret, B Pritchard	3rd	00:59.477
100m	N Klieger	3rd	00:14.00
200m	Z Young	1st	00:29.08
800m	J Sakaret	6th	03:02.10
1500m	T Branson	4th	05:54.88
70m Hurdles	N Klieger	2nd	00:13.25
Discus	M O'Davids	5th	12.65
Javelin	A Bolger	3rd	17.11
Shot	C Ferdinand-Longoria	7th	5.57
Long Jump	Z Young	6th	3.4
High Jump	A Holt	2nd	1.20



Parents are warmly invited to our Senior Sports Day –Monday 1 July 2019
8.30am-1.15pm (at St Mary's University) 2.00pm-3.45pm (at school)

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD—SILVER

Mr Cox and Mr Rock wish all the Year 10 Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award girls the best of luck in their upcoming practice expedition in Swanage. Hopefully the weather will be kind to them and that they will enjoy the views.

Full steam ahead for the assessment in the New Forest later in June.

VISIT TO STRAWBERRY HILL HOUSE

Horrors Walpole!

Year 8 went for a fabulous half day at Strawberry Hill House and Garden on Wednesday 5th June. We were treated to a tour of the house and found ourselves inside the story of The Castle of Otranto following Isabella's terrifying escape from the evil Lord Manfred. We stood inside the magic room and felt our voices amplify as we were 'amazed by our own magnificence!' just as Walpole was. Then, once we had familiarised ourselves with Gothic tropes, we were able to



dress up and use the house as a back drop to make our own comic strips. The girls had huge fun using the ideas from their tours and their costumes to create some frightfully frightful poses. We found ourselves walking in the footsteps of ghosts and damsels and evil villains before being back in time for lunch!

LAMDA EXAMS

LAMDA EXAM SUCCESS!



LAMDA pupils in Year 10 are celebrating their Level 3 qualification examination success, having passed their Grade 8 Acting examination with flying colours.

Beth Kellaway, Giriya Sharma, Emma Jane Fothergill and Amisha Kochhar and Grace Harman each gained **DISTINCTION** and 30 UCAS points, the maximum number possible for this Grade. Maggie Campion and Samreen Johal achieved **MERIT** and 27 UCAS points for the same Grade. The girls now have a valuable qualification to add to their CV before even taking their GCSEs.

Year 7 and 8 students, some taking an exam for the first time, have gained both **DISTINCTION** and **MERIT** certificates for their enthusiastic character portrayals in their respective exams. Their hard work has paid off and each pupil should feel justly proud of their fantastic results!

Miss Borge
LAMDA Teacher

Dear Parents,

With the last few weeks of school upon us there are many exciting FOSC events and activities planned to kick-off the Summer season ranging from Mufti Day, Summer Fair, Cake Sales and Sports' Days, and we cordially invite you to join in the fun. We are already looking forward to seeing you at the Summer Fair on 23 June 2019!



We hope you have saved the date as on Sunday 23 June, St. Catherine's will be the place to be. Please join us for guest performers, a delicious BBQ, refreshing beverages, games and goodies galore from the Year 6 STRIDE girls and the Senior girls who are going to Costa Rica.

Class Reps will be sharing details and rotas with you soon as there are many volunteer opportunities, and parents are needed to help make this event a success. Additionally, please see the parent information letter for more information regarding Mufti-Day, bottle donations and raffle prizes.



FOSC Fast Facts

- Cake sales are a sweet success: We have raised £180 for the month which is thanks to your cake donations and purchases from the stall. Thank you! The next cake sale is set for 20 June 2019. If you would like to bake, buy or sell please contact your Class Rep or check the Class List app.
- Uniform sales are trending: FOSC averages £200 or more monthly through reselling donated uniform pieces. Thank you! Chrissie is on the hunt for PE uniform items. Please call her on 07769 556661 or drop any items into school.
- Barracudas Activity Day Camps are a smashing success: Did you know that St. Catherine's has a partnership with Barracudas? This is one of their most popular sites and these fun programs book up fast. To receive a discount, please use code HSCH19. Thank you!

Reminders and Requests

- Remaining cake sale dates for the school year are 20 June and 4 July 2019. Please contact your Class Rep if you would like to contribute your time or baking skills. Looking ahead to the 2019-2020 school year, we will be asking year groups to sign up for dates of their choice to ensure everyone who wishes to participate has a chance.
- Ready, steady, go! EYFS/KS1 Sports Day is scheduled for 28 June with KS2/Seniors to follow at St. Mary's University in the morning and back at St Catherine's in the afternoon on 1 July 2019. FOSC will be recruiting volunteers to work on the refreshment table, so please consider helping out when not cheering on your athlete.
- The next FOSC committee meeting will be Tuesday 2 July 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Lodge Classroom. All are welcome!



LeliaWest, FOSC Chair - Email: leliabess@yahoo.com or classlist.com/start/7u3rr

Summer Fair 23rd June 12.00 – 3.00PM

It is once again that time of year whereby FOSC are holding their annual Summer Fair. This year we have bottle tombola, jar tombola, lucky dip gifts and toys, and other fun games to challenge your luck or skill. There will be plenty of food offerings to tempt you from the BBQ to PIMMS tent and bar to sweet treats like cakes, ice cream, popcorn, and strawberries & cream. The DJ will keep you bopping along to tunes and will also introduce some special performers! This is a fabulous opportunity to have fun while shopping local vendors, visiting with friends, and helping to strengthen our St. Catherine's Community.

Donations: we are asking that all donation items be turned in on MUFTI Day, 21st of June. For the girls to participate in the school wide MUFTI Day, **Nursery to Year 4** students should bring in a **minimum of 2** jars each and **Year 5 to Sixth Form parents** should bring in bottles.

- **Jars** two or more festively decorated jazzy jars are greatly appreciated. Jars should be filled with small toys, hair accessories, stickers, loose change, sweets, or other small items. Please remember that sweets should be nut free due to allergies and chocolate free due to melting in the heat.
- **Bottles** Year 5 to Sixth Form Parents, please can you donate a **suitable (good quality) bottle in your daughter's name** to school by Friday 21st June. It is of utmost importance that parents drop off the bottles as the girls should not be hand carrying alcohol. To make other arrangements, please be in contact with your ClassRep who will provide more information. This is always one of our most successful stalls so all contributions are hugely important.
- **Cakes** one of our most popular stalls is the cakes table which brings sweet treats and smiles to all who stop by! We would be very pleased if you could make a donation of NUTFREE homemade cupcakes, biscuits, brownies, or other yummy treats for our table. Items can also be made in the home of Mrs. Tesco, Mr. Marks&Spencer, or Madame Waitrose--we're happy to accept all bakers. Treats can be sent in on Friday 21st of June and any tins to be returned should be clearly labeled with family name and year. If sending in any fresh cream cake items, please bring along with you to the fair on Sunday.



Raffle: Summer Fair raffle tickets will be coming home soon and there are some fabulous prizes to be won! Your support in buying our raffle tickets is much appreciated as it forms a large part of our fundraising for this event. Please return all counterfoils and money, together with any unsold tickets to the school office as soon as possible, but no later than the 21st to ensure they are all included in the raffle. If you are able to donate any prizes, please contact Andrea Sheehan at sheehan.andrea@gmail.com.



FOSC Stalls: The menu is set and the games and treats are ready to go--all we need is our wonderful parent volunteers! Your Class Rep will be reaching out soon to share information on what stall your year group is running and how you can sign up to help. Volunteer shifts will be for 30 mins and range from set up, selling, and clean up duties. This is a great way to mix and mingle with other St. Catherine's families while helping support our school fundraising event. Thank you for your consideration, your enthusiasm contributes greatly to our success!

Thank you so much for supporting our Summer Fair. The students, staff and teachers directly benefit from your donations and willingness to be an active part of our St. Catherine's community. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact your Class Rep or any FOSC Committee Member directly. See you at the fair!

Best Wishes,
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