



**NEWSLETTER** 

## Headmaster's message



Welcome to the final InForm of the 2021-2022 academic year. A year with so much to celebrate, including a most welcome return to school normality for children and adults alike. As seems customary though, the last week of the Summer term

has yet again faced disruption — this year due to unprecedented heat — which has meant the postponement of our Junior Speech Night that usually affords the opportunity to reflect all the many achievements and opportunities enjoyed by students and staff over the past 12 months. We will, however, be holding the Awards evening for our Junior students along with our Senior Speech night in September.

I was delighted to attend our PE Sports Awards evening last week. As ever, the speeches delivered by students from all year groups were so impressive. It was a real pleasure to see so many exceptional and highly committed individuals (and teams) earn well deserved recognition for their contributions throughout the year. The evening capped off a year of so much sporting activity and, in particular, our first full summer sports programme since 2019. Highlights have to include the multitude of students who earned school, district, county and national recognition for athletics as well as our competitive cricket successes including an honourable draw against the MCC in our traditional summer fixture, as you will read later in Mr Clark's Sports round-up.

Another highlight of the past term has to be the number of trips and activities we have managed to organise including a Year 7 trip to Normandy and our recent Music tour to the Netherlands. Year 8 enjoyed a 'Bushcraft' team building trip and Years 9 and 10 experienced a number of careers and enterprise related visits in school from a variety of guest speakers.

The Creative Arts have certainly not been forgotten this term with the return of our exceptional 'Celebrating Creativity' Exhibition. The display of visual and design artefacts was so impressive, as was the live musical and dance entertainment.

#### **Staffing**

As always at the end of the academic year, we say goodbye to a number of colleagues. Moving on to new teaching positions are:

Mr Ahmad (Maths), Mrs Brooks (Maths), Miss Coakley (PE), Mr Gulino (MFL), Ms Kyriacou (Computer Science), Dr Monks (Science), Mr Ridout (PE Apprentice) and Mr Yeo (Music). We also say goodbye to Ms Appel (Cover Supervisor), Mrs Lord (Language Assistant), Mrs Beamon (Administrator) and Miss Davison (Director of Whole School Development and Quality Assurance).

We bid farewell and good luck to Ms Stylianou who has been Head of RS for 17 years and Mr Somerset who has been the Head Groundsman for the past 18 years.

Retirement beckons for Mr Holloway after 20 years teaching English at Parmiter's. We are delighted that he will continue to run our Duke of Edinburgh Award programme.

A special mention must go to Miss Lloyd who retires this week after 40 years at Parmiter's. Miss Lloyd will be fondly remembered by the hundreds of students whose lives she touched as an amazing teacher of Maths, a Form Tutor and Head of Year and by the colleagues who worked along side her. It truly is the end of an era.

All our leavers go with our sincere thanks and very best wishes for the future.

#### Parmiter's 300

The summer term has seen us continue to celebrate the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our school. Since half term our celebrations have included, most recently, our Big Street Party on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July – one day short of 10<sup>th</sup> July which is the date when the keys to Parmiter's first ever school building were handed over to the Trustees in 1722. Great fun was had by all with a delicious cake sale (as one of the judges I write with first-hand experience), a dog show, plus sporting fun and games led by our brilliant Year 10 Sports Leaders. A huge thank you to the Parents' Association who have been busy supporting this and so many other events throughout the term.

I wish you all a wonderful summer, whatever you are up to. Having worked so hard over the past school year, I can only urge you to play hard and I hope you all thoroughly enjoy the break.

I look forward welcoming staff and students back to school in September.

Nemo sibi nascitur!

### Parents' Association

With holidays approaching we'd like to remind you of the recent and forthcoming PA events. The Parmiter's 300 Year Street Party was a hit! The PA supported by serving food, running a cake competition and sale and providing a refreshments bar. What an amazing day and a reminder of what an amazing school we raise funds for.

Prior to this we supported the new Year 7s' Tea Party followed by their Transition Day. A number of new parents and carers signed up to help volunteer, which we hope will allow continuity of the PA as parents and carers inevitably move on. We appreciate every hour you can volunteer to help and your variety of skills, so do get in touch if you're interested.

Don't forget the Second Hand Uniform & Book Sale on Saturday (23<sup>rd</sup> July) which is always popular.

Please refer to the PA page on the school website for further event and meeting details, or contact us on Classlist, Facebook or email.

Have a wonderful Summer and we look forward to volunteering with you soon.

Our next meeting is on

# Wednesday 28 September

at 7.00pm in the New Dining Hall

Come and join us!

Stay connected with the PA social apps:

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#### Parmiter's Music in the Netherlands!

37 student musicians, accompanied by the Music staff team, travelled to Soest in Holland on Friday 15 July.

A bandstand in Baarn, church in Amsterdam (Kerk de Bron) and a busy shopping mall in Utrecht provided the venues for the 3 concerts. Local villagers and surprised shoppers enjoyed the enviable talent and varied repertoire of our amazing musicians!



## **Debating Competition**

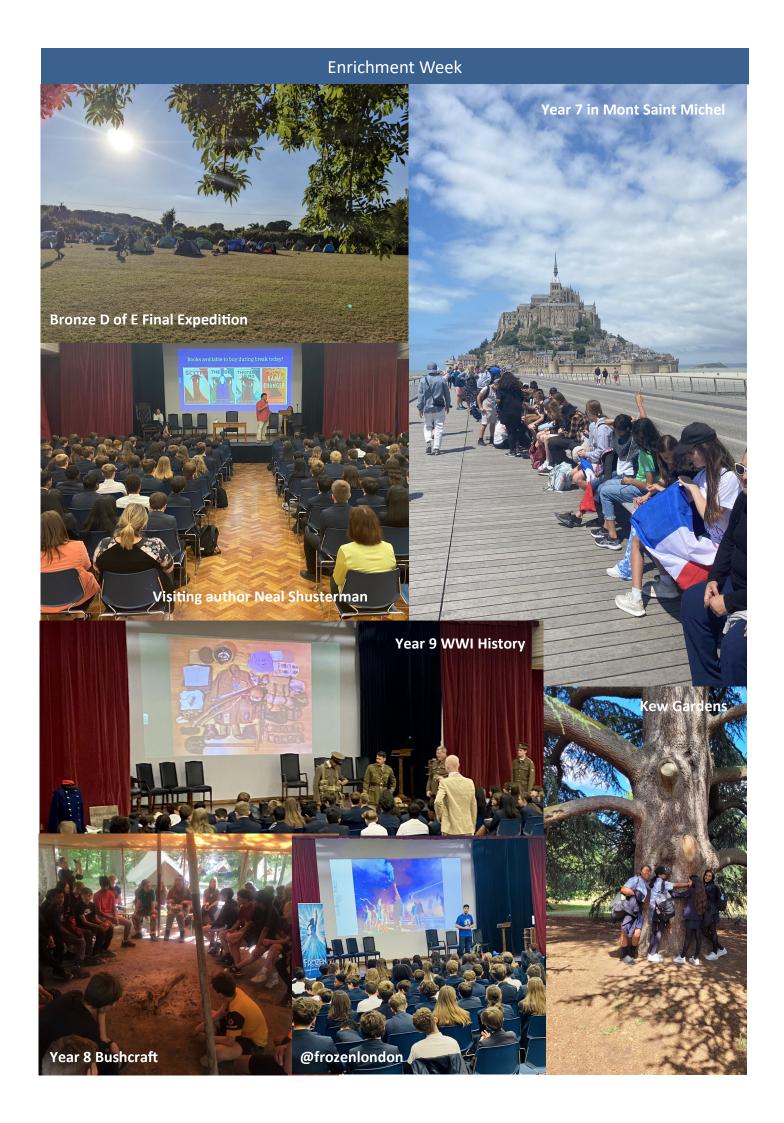
A group of Year 12 Economics students entered the Inter-School Economics Debating Competition at Haberdashers' Girls' School in Radlett on 29 June. It was the first time the school had been invited and it was a new experience for everyone. The topic for debate was, "The best way for the UK to deal with the refugee crisis is to export migrants to Rwanda."

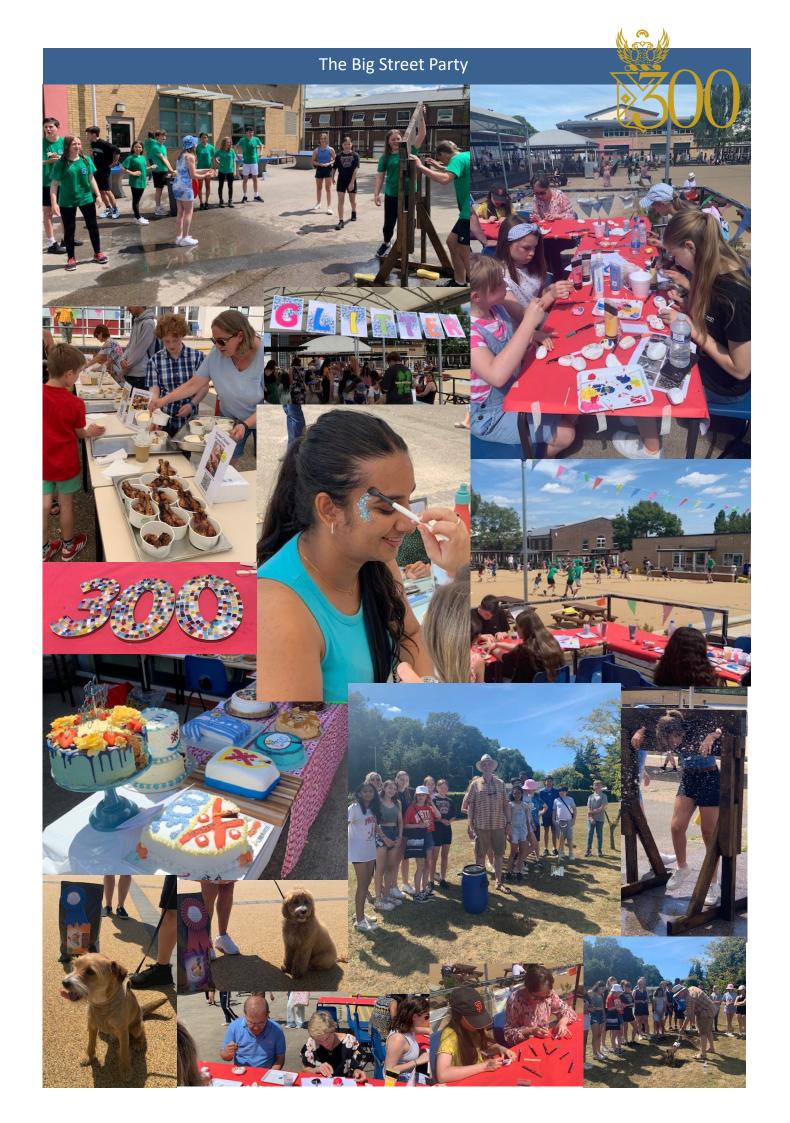
The Parmiter's team argued against the proposition. The Latymer School argued for the proposition. Muadh Ansari and Tasha Vagadia presented and were very well supported by Glauk Albani, Kierat Basi, Elijah Chin, Ronith Golkani, Andrew Henderson, Tanmay Mungale, Aidan Navanathan, Samay Shukla, Jiya Vitlani and Aarushi Yadav. The speakers delivered a strong performance and faced tough questioning. Although our team did not win the competition in the end, it was a valuable and enjoyable experience for all. Next year's Year 12 Economics students can look forward to this opportunity again in 2023.











## **House Report Summer 2022**

It has been another busy term of House competition with staff and students vying to earn some all-important House Points.

#### **Sports Day**

Friday 17 June saw the return of Sports Day after two years of cancellations and it was certainly worth the wait. On a very hot day at Woodside Stadium, students from Years 7-10 participated in a range of track and field events with the aim of winning the Sharples Cup.











#### **Open Event Winners**

Junior 1000m - Natalie Worsley Junior 1500m - Peter Bansaghi Senior 1000m - Beth Irvine Senior 1500m- James Beasley

#### **Year Group Performance Awards**

Year 7 Female - Natalie Worsley
Year 7 Male - Peter Bansaghi
Year 8 Female - Xui Hin Sezille
Year 8 Male - Charlie Henson
Year 9 Female - Thalia Mann
Year 9 Male - Romeo Rojas
Year 10 Female - Abi Charles Ojo
Year 10 Male - Ollie Wells

#### **Overall Performance Awards**

Female - Autumn Rana Male - James Beasley

#### **Award for Endeavour**

Female - Aya Nelaj Male - Dominic Critchell

#### **Boys Overall**

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Woolley 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Lee = 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Carter = 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Renvoize 5<sup>th</sup> Place - Mayhew 6<sup>th</sup> Place - Beven

#### **Girls Overall**

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Lee 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Carter 3<sup>rd</sup> Place- Mayhew 4<sup>th</sup>Place - Woolley 5<sup>th</sup> Place - Beven 6<sup>th</sup> Place - Renvoize

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## **Houses report Summer 2022**

#### **Design & Technology Competitions**

Mrs Foster continued to launch regular Design & Technology competitions over the course of the term, with the Art Textiles and Young Fashion Designer competitions taking centre stage. The Art Textiles event was won by Kushi Kotecha & Radha Mohindra (both Mayhew) and the YDF competition was won by Surani Perera (Lee). Keep your eyes open for more competition opportunities next year!

#### Staff & Sixth Form Football

Wednesday 9th March saw the return of the Staff & Sixth Form Football competition, which put staff and students in their House teams to show off their skills.





1st place: Carter 2nd place: Renvoize 3rd place: Woolley 4th place: Lee 5th place: Mayhew 6th place: Beven

#### **Houses Quiz of the Week**

The Houses Quiz of the Week was as popular as ever and the quizzes have been won by the following Houses this

term:

Beven: 1 victory Mayhew: 3 victories Renvoize: 6 victories Woolley: 7 victories

The Quiz will be back in September!

#### **House Cricket**

On Friday 15th July, students from Years 7 to 10 joined forces to compete for their Houses in the annual House Cricket tournament with the aim of winning the Commonwealth Cup. There was some excellent cricket on display, but there could only be one winner, and that was Beven House who beat Woolley in the final.

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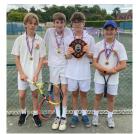
#### **Final Standings**

After a great year of House competition, and certainly a more 'normal' year, the final House standings are as follows:

1st place: Woolley 2099 points 2nd place: Lee 1992 points 3rd place: Mayhew 1889 points 4th place: Carter 1790 points 5th place: Renvoize 1749 points 6th place: Beven 1684 points

Congratulations to Woolley, winners of the 2021-22 Houses shield. Also a massive well done, to all staff and students for their participation in the many House events that ran this year. Keep your eyes peeled for many more ways of contributing to your House and helping them be the one to lift the Houses shield next year.

It has been another successful half term of sport, culminating in winning District and County events in several sports.



Our Year 8 boys' and Year 9 girls' tennis teams were both crowned Watford District Champions and invited to represent Watford in the Hertfordshire Schools Finals. Both teams played some incredible tennis, beating some very strong teams on their way to the finals.

Unfortunately, the Year 9 girls were just outdone by Presdales, losing on a tie break. The Year 8 boys managed to hold their nerve to beat St Albans Boys' School and were crowned County Champions.





In athletics, there was success for three of our teams, with the Under 14 Boys and Girls teams, alongside the U16 Girls, all qualifying from the County League to compete in the Herts finals. Both of our younger

teams qualified for the plate final, with the girls team finishing in 6th and the boys winning to be crowned Plate Champions. The Under 16 girls' team finished 2nd in the main league and, therefore, qualified for the final. There were three winners and countless 'Personal Bests' en route to finishing in 4th place. An incredible achievement for our teams.

In the District Championships we had 12 individual winners who were all crowned District Champions. They were Jake Rayner (Discus), Thalia Mann (300m), Abi Charles Ojo (200m), Ramsey Gill (Pole Vault), Jacques Mason (Shot Put), Amaia Dacres (Hurdles), Peter Bansaghi (High Jump), Autumn Rana (Long Jump), Zara Simon (Shot Put), Xui Hin Sezille (Shot Put), Jessica Dalton (Javelin) and Louie Roberts (Long Jump).

In the County Championships there was more success for our athletes, with three of them winning their events. Congratulations to Autumn Rana (Long Jump), Peter



Bansaghi (High Jump) and Thalia Mann (300m). Both Autumn and Peter were selected to be part of the Hertfordshire Under 13 team in the Counties competition later this month. Thalia (left) was also selected as part of the Hertfordshire team to compete at the English Schools Athletics Championships in Manchester. She qualified from her heat into the semi final, running a Personal Best of 41.6 seconds.

There was more success for both our Year 8 and 9 Cricket teams who were both crowned District Champions. Neither team was beaten in their league campaign and continue to set local cricket on fire! At the time of writing, the Year 9 team are waiting to play their County Plate final against St Edmunds College and are hoping to add this title to their Watford District win. Special mention must go to Nakul Trivedi for his 70 not out in the County semi final and to Anay Maheshwari who scored an unbeaten 100 against Verulam.



The Sen-

ior Cricket side, once again hosted the MCC in our traditional annual match, performing impressively against some very strong club cricketers. Despite fielding a mixed team of Years 8 to 12, they played some mature cricket to hold out for a draw. The MCC set an imposing 224-6 with our chase ending on 179-7. A special mention to Abhaypal Chauhan for his 'Man of the Match' performance, scoring a composed 52 in our innings.



Thank you to all our student performers, our officials and to all our parents and carers who have supported our department so much this year. It has been an extremely successful year and we are looking forward to building on this in the future.

#### **Summer Activities**





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