

The first half of the summer term has gone by in a flash, so much so that we didn't get time to get the newsletter out before the end of last half term. It was made even more difficult that many of the sports events happened in the last week of the half term.

It's always a busy half term with the introduction of summer sports such as cricket, rounders and athletics whilst many of the winter sports come to a conclusion with finals and further festivals. At the time of writing this newsletter, we have already had a number of key events take place this half term but these will be reported in our next sports newsletter.

This half term, an additional 59 children have represented the school in a competition or festival for the first time making it a total of 545 who have done so in this academic year. Our summer extra curricular provision is also well underway with a fantastic offering of athletics, badminton, pickleball, cricket, netball, rounders and fitness all available to various year groups at lunchtimes and before/after school. This is in addition to the provision provided by our externally run clubs and groups. These are really impressive figures and I would like to congratulate all the pupils that take part in these opportunities.

There's lots to report on below and I hope you also enjoy looking through the many photographs.

### SWIMMING GALA

On a Thursday evening at the beginning of May, 18 of our pupils in Years 5/6 took part in the annual Cobham Cup swimming competition, hosted by ACS Cobham. It was a fantastic evening of exciting races with the Cleves swimming squad excelling.

The results were very close at the end but I am pleased to report we secured an impressive 3rd place, winning bronze medals. Huge congratulations to the team and well done to those who put themselves forward for representing the school in something a little bit different. I hope the swimming team will continue to grow in strength and numbers next year.



## TAG RUGBY

The final festival of the year saw both the girls and boys squads head to Old Cranleighans RFC for a wonderful day of tag rugby. Both teams played over 10 matches throughout the day and performed extremely well winning all of their fixtures. This set of results has grown on the back of all the hard work in training across the year - the handling and running was a joy to watch. Martin (Girls coach) wanted to pass on how proud and impressed he was with the girls playing today. The girls showed great teamwork, enthusiasm and spirit and they have been a joy to coach over the last year (and some for the last 3 years!). The girls were very proud to have secured 13 wins out of 14 matches! Martin and his co-coach Ian would love to see any girls wishing to continue their rugby development at Reeds Weybridge RFC. They are running informal non-contact rugby over the summer.

Boys: Andrew, Austin, Barsam, Eli, Ethan, Jacob, James, Kristian, Otto, Matthew, Max, Timothy.  
Girls: Abby, Annabel, Awan, Eliza, Ella-Rose, Elleah, Emma, Georgia, Lucy, Martha, Megan, Sophia, Thaleia.

As a final mention, a huge thank you to all the parents who were able to help out with transports to all the events - very much appreciated



## CRICKET

The cricket season is well and truly underway with matches and tournaments coming thick and fast for our Year 5/6 girls and boys. It's also great to see so many children regularly coming out to our cricket clubs at lunchtime - there is certainly some really strong emerging talent. Here is a quick summary of what took place last half term.

The final week of the 1/2 term saw a flurry of Cricket fixtures. The first round of the local cricket league took place on the Monday and Tuesday evenings.

The year 5/6 boys team played 2 fixtures against Grovelands and Ashley being successful in both. The batting was of a very high quality with runs scored at a very fast rate while not giving away wickets. This was backed up by accurate and energetic bowling and fielding. A high quality start by the boys squad.



The year 5/6 girls had mixed returns from round one; 2 hugely competitive matches. The first game was hotly contested against Notre Dame but a strong all round performance ensured a win by 13 runs. The second match came down to the last ball. A very good fielding display made up for a slightly under par batting score - we needed a wicket off the last ball however it edged past the stumps by mere centimetres! The final score meant we lost to Burhill by 4 runs. Both squads are in a very good place moving into round 2 which will take place later in June.

Boys: Andrew, Eli, James, Otto, Owen, Roland, Swanik, Will.

Girls: CeCe, Diya, Ellie, Eloise, Georgia, Katie, Matilda, Sachi.

### **Year 5 Boys District Tournament**

On the Tuesday afternoon before half term, the Year 5 boys played in the district competition at Claygate Cricket Club. They were placed in a group of 3, coming across Thames Ditton and St James. The opening match against Thames Ditton saw us win by a single run in what was an extremely exciting match. We then had to beat St James to reach the cup semi finals.

Unfortunately in a game where it could have gone either way, we just fell short meaning that the three teams were all tied on one win each. Due to Thames Ditton scoring a greater number of runs, they progressed to the semi finals whilst we entered the Plate competition. In the semi final, we comprehensively beat St Charles which was followed by a similarly comprehensive win against Hurst Park in the final.

Congratulations to Bert, Jack, Harvey, Vallen, Joe, Oliver, Max and Edward. A great afternoon of cricket with great learning to be had across the competition.



### **Girls Starburst Cricket**

To wrap up the week the Y6 girls played a triangular fixture in the starburst cup against: St Georges; Feltonfleet and Lyne and Longcross

A highly challenging series of games saw the girl's performance improve game by game. The largest gains were seen in our bowling and fielding with this aspect the highlight. Against St Georges and Feltonfleet we were competitive but just not able to keep up with their strong batting scores. In our final match the girls produced a very polished performance in all areas winning by 4 runs - again in the last over. A tremendous performance by the girls.

Girls: Annabel, Diya, Ellie, Elleah, Eloise, Georgia, Katie, Sachi.





## NETBALL NEWS

Last half term, Year 5 played two friendly matches away at Cobham Free School. The first team to play came back from 3-1 to end the game on a draw. The teams were very evenly matched! Amara was captain and was also chosen as player of the match.

Well done - Amara A, Shiwon S, Zara E, Matilda D, Keira M, Connie L and Nandha K.

Next up, our first team played a very fast paced game and Leah managed to quickly score. Cleves were winning within the first quarter and held on despite Cobham having many attempts to equalise. In the final quarter, Cobham came back and managed to score 3 points within a few minutes. Although the teams were exhausted, they showed great support and teamwork. Chloe was an excellent captain once again and Lucas was awarded player of the match.

Well done - Leah S, Betsy M, Eloise M, Elodie C, Lucas X, Chloe M and Alba B.

## MINI MARATHON

Huge congratulations to the 40 Cleves pupils who took part in the London Mini Marathon on Saturday 26th April. This saw them all run the distance of 1 mile or 2.6km around the iconic streets of London, finishing up on The Mall.

A hugely enjoyable and memorable occasion and I hope many have been inspired to run the actual marathon when they are older. Mrs Holland put together a short montage which can be viewed by [clicking here](#).



## **SPORTS DAY**

Our annual sports day this year takes place on the following dates:

- Year 5 - Wednesday 25th June (am)
- Year 6 - Wednesday 25th June (pm)
- Year 3 - Thursday 26th June (am)
- Year 4 - Thursday 26th June (pm)

Your child will require a coloured t-shirt to wear to match their house colour.

- Arundel - Red
- York - Yellow
- Warwick - Green
- Windsor - Blue

Parents are very welcome to come along and spectate and support.

## **FOOTBALL MATCH REPORTS**

It's been another really busy year of football at Cleves with lots of children representing the school across our many teams. It appears to be a brief update below but due to many of the finals taking place either side of half term, we will report on the success of our teams in the final sports newsletter of the year which will be shared at the end of term

### **Girls' Football**

At the beginning of the summer term two festivals took place for our girls. The first saw 14 girls take part in a festival at Burhill. We entered two teams and both did brilliantly well, with one team winning two of their games and the other securing two entertaining draws.







Then, a few days later, sixteen Year 3/4 girls enjoyed an afternoon of football as Cleves hosted a football festival also involving St James and Grovelands. It was a really enjoyable afternoon and one that saw the girls grow in confidence as it went on. Well done to everyone who took part.

## **WWHSP PARTNERSHIP UPDATE**

With Cleves taking the lead on the Walton, Weybridge and Hersham Sports Partnership, we have continued to host, organise and lead a number of sporting festivals this half term. This has included a year 3 mini olympics competition which saw 3A and 3H take part in as well as a year 3/4 and 5/6 girls football festivals and a year 3/4 sportshall competition which saw Cleves dramatically draw with St James. The mini olympics competitions were led brilliantly by our Year 6 Sports Crew.

For the remainder of the summer term there are more competitions and festivals planned which include

- Mini Olympics for years 2, 3 and 5
- Year 2 Football Festival

I look forward to reporting on these in future newsletters.

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO...**

Congratulations to Jack and his East Molesey cricket team who won the Teddington Cricket Club U10 Tournament back in May.



Congratulations to a number of our Year 5 boys who got to play on the pitch at Twickenham during half time of a game between Harlequins and Gloucester. The boys were on the pitch for 8 minutes



## RUGBY

Cobham Rugby club are holding free sessions throughout June for girls in years 5-8 interested in playing Rugby. The sessions will be coached by GB 7's and Harlequins star Grace Crompton.

# GIRLS BEGINNERS RUGBY EVENING

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR GIRLS IN YEAR 5, 6, 7 AND 8  
TO TRY RUGBY FOR THE FIRST TIME!

COBHAM GIRLS RUGBY IS AN ACTIVE AND  
ENJOYABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR GIRLS TO LEARN  
AND PLAY RUGBY

RUNNING FOR 4 WEEKS ONLY

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5<sup>th</sup> June  
12<sup>th</sup> June  
19<sup>th</sup> June  
26<sup>th</sup> June

18:00 - 19:00

COACHES  
MATT LUNN  
GRACE CROMPTON  
ANDY TAYLOR  
ALEX GAZE

This rounds up a very busy spring term of sporting action. Congratulations to everyone who has been involved and we look forward to reporting on all the events that take place for the remainder of the school year.

Mr Smith - Sports Coach