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E-news!



Olympic Swimmer Adam Whitehead at Chessington

A thoroughly enjoyable year!

The end of my first year here as the Headteacher at Chessington and I finish the year knowing that I have the very best job in the world!

One year on and I know we are very much on the path from Good to Great. One year on and I find myself ever more instilled with true pride in the school but more importantly the students. One year on I know that the teachers we have are committed to our children and are of the high quality our children deserve. One year on I feel we are becoming evermore important in the local community. One year on and I now am part of the community; literally as I become a Chessington resident in the first week of the summer holidays!

I genuinely think a busy school, particularly in the last weeks of the summer term, is a school that offers a great experience for all. Just this last fortnight we have had an array of trips for every year group, in-house plays, a unique sports day with activities such as Olympic weightlifting, boxing, golf, lawn bowls, rugby and much more, drop down academic days, hundreds of Year 5s in from the local schools, school council elections to name but a few. It has been so pleasing to walk around the school and see that your children are truly making everyday an opportunity. Next year we will be adding many more opportunities to enable our children to experience new and different things that will help them grow and into well rounded young adults.

So, at the end of this year I want to take the time to thank you as parents for your support and the great job you do in looking after your children. Thank you for many of your kind words and for being critical friends over the year.

I hope you have a wonderful summer, and that you get to spend quality time with your children. Please remind them to keep reading regularly throughout the summer. While it may be the summer holidays I will be available on email if there are any queries you may have during this period just email the contact us email address on the website.

Next year will be full steam ahead and will be a Great year. I look forward to seeing all the students, staff and parents in September.



Thank you.

Mr A Ali, Headteacher

Parent clinics and conversations

A reminder that every Thursday I will be available from 1700—1800 for parent clinics. These are an opportunity to meet, discuss the school and for you to feedback to me, should you want to. Should you wish to book a 20 minute slot here please contact Elaine Opie eopie1@ccc.rbksch.org or call the school on 020 8974 1156. If you can't make that time then do let us know of a more convenient time for you.

Coming up...

Monday, 05/09/16	STAFF INSET, school closed to
Tuesday, 06/07/16	STAFF INSET, school closed to students
Wednesday, 07/09/16	08:30 Years 7 and 11 start 10:40 Years 8, 9 and 10 start
Wednesday, 07/09/16	Year 7 photographs
Friday, 09/09/16	Years 8—11 photographs
Monday, 12/09/16	Start of Year 11 Work Experience

A word from Mr O'Reilly...

It is summer time.

What a fantastic end to the school year this has been for KS3.

The last week consisted of visits to London, Hampton Court, Horton Park etc. The teachers were highly complementary of all of the pupils on their days out.

I had the pleasure of going to Thorpe Park with 40 of our fantastic students and will be one of the great memories that I take with me from CCC.

I am really sad to be leaving and I would like to thank you all for the wonderful memories you have given me. This now really is such a fantastic school.

The school is well on its way to great and I wish you all the very best in whatever you do in the future.

Thank you!

Summer afternoon, summer afternoon; to me those are the two most beautiful words in the English language (Henry James)

PSHE day

On Friday, 17th June all of KS3 had a PHSE day. There were sessions on First Aid, delivered by St. John's Ambulance. Charities came in to talk about Peer Influences, Well Being And Self Esteem. There also were information sessions on Shisha*, Drugs and Alcohol and PC Perks spoke about Online Safety.

We discussed Dementia, Self Esteem, Ambition and Resilience. Art as Well Being was another session, with the day finishing with an Art Assembly and an Evaluation of the day.

All in all, our students said that they had a very informative, valuable and fun day.

Thank you for all the volunteers who came in and spend the day with us. *Miss Sessions*

Kingston Sports Partnership

Over the past year the Kingston Schools Sports Partnership have held lots of primary events including football, gym and basketball at CCC. Over the year 1,676 primary school children from across the Borough have come to the school to take part in competitions. The calendar of events is already filling up for next year and we look forward to welcoming all schools and competitors here at CCC. *Ms S Blenkinsop*



CCC Enrichment Week

On the 19th July we took a group of year 9 students to London to visit the Tate Modern as part of their Enrichment Week. We all took a leisurely stroll along the South Bank to the museum where the students visited several art galleries. I think it is safe to say we all struggled with the heat but a good time was had by all. *Mrs Chapman*

New Timings of the Day from Sept 16:

Time of day	Activity
08:25	Students on Site
08:30 – 09:00	Tutor time
09:00 – 09:50	Period 1
09:50 – 10:40	Period 2
10:40 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 11:50	Period 3
11:50 – 12:40	Period 4
12:40 – 13:20	Lunch
13:20 – 14:10	Period 5
14:10 – 15:00	Period 6
15:00 – 16:00	Extra-curr. activities

House Competition

House	Achievement
Blake	1861
Curie	2392
Fry	1665
Shackleton	2090

Our Attendance

W/B
06/07/16

7AON	91.6
7BFD	94.7
7MSR	93.3
8AFy	96.2
8AVN	91.7
8NJL	88
9AER	98.7
9JNY	87.3
9SLE	93.8
10CCN	93
10MAN	96.3
10JMA	91.3
10LRS	96.5

CLT Election Compliments a Successful Sports Day

Yesterday marked the first Chessington Leadership Team (CLT) election; the race for captain, and the various leadership positions, was hotly contested.

For the past two weeks students in years 7-10 have been meticulously compiling their CLT manifestos (and proudly sporting their CLT t-shirts) in preparation for the election. In tutor time, those not in the council signed the electoral register and completed their ballot cards ready for the big day. The policies ranged widely, from adapting the school uniform to providing more opportunities for primary school transitions, and caused a surge of votes at 1.05pm - this was in no doubt aided by Jack (year 8) who ventured far and wide, from sports hall to muga, reminding voters that "CLT election voting will begin at 1.05!"

As students eagerly approached the desk of smiling school council (CLT) members, they were met with the passionate video manifestos of our potential captains: Katie, Grace, Albin, Alex and Liam. For all categories, voters were reminded (by our diligent reps) to vote for policies rather than popularity, and were encouraged to recap nominee's policies before vital voting was cast. All of the nominees used lunch as the eleventh hour to remind voters of their pledges - recognition must go to Liam for craftily using the megaphone to encourage the school body to vote for him - and his policies of course. Voting closed following a very successful Sports Day - credit must go to year 7 who turned out in their droves (97% turnout) and year 10 who had a turnout of approximately 90%.

On behalf of the CLT, special thanks must be made to Ms McCoach for filming the video manifestos; Ms Sier and Mr Newby (and all of the staff who supported with the t-shirt printing) and Mr Dallas and the ICT team who provided a whopping level of support with editing and setting up all of our IT equipment.

Well done to all students who took part in the elections and those who are on the CLT - I'm looking forward to the positive changes you will make in the school and the wider community - have a great summer! *Mr Stevenson*

Teachers' Learning never Stops!

In the classroom

As the end of year exams are now over, teachers have been busy analysing students strengths and areas for development based on the exams. This allows teachers in September to have a personalised learning checklists of the areas that students need to consolidate and where they are secure.

Staff development

Staff continue to reflect on their practise right up until the end of term. The humanities team have all had observations this half term and have been given developmental feedback. In addition IRIS (our video technology software) has been launched with staff so they can watch themselves and reflect on their teaching.

Book club has now finished for the year and staff are looking forward to implementing all the memory techniques they've learnt from their reading. Finally our new staff had their induction day on Thursday, ready for a smooth start in September. We can't wait for them to join our team here at Chessington. *Ms Smith*

Horton Country Park

We started the day with sit down volleyball and then we played a game of capture the flag, to develop our team building skills. After that we got into groups of four, collected our maps and compasses and started orienteering. I interviewed some people and this is what they had to say:

'I was really happy, because I found the first post' Liann Yr 7.

'I was happy because teachers didn't have to follow us around and we didn't have to find the posts in a particular order.' Terri-Leigh.

After lunch we played Chinese whispers following on from this we got into groups of 2-4 and created some drama about 5 minutes long, about one of the following areas: your surroundings, A Midsummer Night's Dream, The Hunger Games. After some rehearsal time we performed our pieces most people performed The Hunger Games.

Then we returned to school, everyone really enjoyed themselves!

Mr Middleton





Adam Whitehead Visiting CCC

We were incredibly privileged to be joined this week by former Olympian Adam Whitehead in the official opening of our school swimming pool. Adam gave an assembly to year 7 where he spoke of his achievements in the Olympics and Commonwealth Championships as well as the level of commitment and dedication required to achieve such results. Students were gripped by his words and there were some brilliant questions showing they had a real genuine interest. For a very lucky group of students they were fortunate enough to enjoy a swimming lesson with Adam, his methods and advice was fantastic and all improved and enjoyed the session. There was a great excitement around the day and a number of other visitors joined the school who were delighted by the buzz around the facility as students were moving around lessons and students supporting year 5 students visiting the school. It was an incredibly successful and exciting day around the school which for all the staff involved was a day to be proud of Chessington Community College. *Mr Ferrelly*

The Globe Players

On Friday 15th July Year 9 and 10 had the opportunity to see The Globe Players perform parts of Macbeth in our very own David Kemp Theatre.

As they will be studying this play for GCSE, the acting company went through all of the most important scenes and even explained some of the key themes as they went. I think that all staff and students will remember the Porter's scene as it was so funny. The whole of Macbeth is also on at The Globe theatre over the summer, so if you get the chance, take the whole family to see it. *Mrs G Massey*



Academic Stealth and Colossal Determination

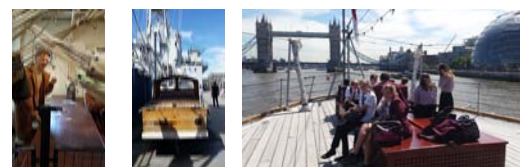
In recognition of their hard work and commitment to learning, forty CCC students were let loose in Thorpe Park this past week.

What was initially a crisp cool day descended into treacherous downpours but our students were not to be perturbed by a bit of rain.

Years 7 and 8 bravely took up the challenge of 'The Swarm,' an enormous flying rollercoaster which catapults unsuspecting riders (victims) through enormous corkscrews and loops - poor Adam's hair didn't stand a chance! The most bold amongst us, in defiance of the rain, boarded Amity Cove's 'Tidal Wave' and returned drenched to the bone in recompense of their courage. The highlight for many was undoubtedly the aptly named 'Stealth': rocketing students (and a whooping Mr O'Reilly) to a height of 62.5 metres at a phenomenal acceleration of 0-80 mph in 1.9 seconds (pictured Adam and Liam take a deep breath before being cascaded into the air on Thorpe Park's 'Stealth')

Fun was had by all, even if we were unable to persuade Ms O'Neill and Ms Matthews to board Nemesis Inferno.

Well done to our fantastic students - keep up the great work and have a well deserved summer break. *Mr Stevenson*



Year 9 History Trip

We went to the HMS Belfast in London first and then to Churchill's War Rooms.

Everyone had an amazing time. Even if we were running out of sun cream and water!... And collapsed in the heat on the train back home! *Mrs Jackson*



Wanted!!
Players
For all age groups

Boys and Girls in school years 2 to 11

From September 2016

Matches played on Saturday Mornings at:
King George V Playing Fields, Jubilee Way,
Tolworth, KT6 7NA - (Opposite 'Goals')

Non-trials Football - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!

For more information contact:
registrations@pbf.co.uk



Everyone Active

Students were put through their paces on Monday 18th July as they embarked on a day of health and fitness at Everyone Active Gym.

Year 9 Students who will be undertaking PE next year visited the fitness centre to better understand the fitness industry and to develop their knowledge of exercising safely and effectively. They met four very experienced Personal Trainers in the day and benefited from sessions of how to use equipment correctly, the benefits of different methods of training and finally how to plan effective work out plans to enable them to prepare themselves to work out in the best methods to suit their training goals.

Students were put through their paces by the Personal Trainers in a gym session which followed with them becoming the personal trainers themselves and leading some very high quality sessions independently.

Mr Ferrelly was very happy with the students tremendous attitude to learn and engage in the topic, they really took in the information and applied it very effectively in to what were some terrific gym sessions. *Mr Ferrelly*

Fortnightly Football Friday Newsletter

Don't forget to have a look at the Fortnightly Football Friday Newsletter written by Cameron in Year 9 and his team of budding journalists; you will find it on our website.

PLEASE KEEP US UP TO DATE WITH YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

including email addresses and mobile numbers. It is vital that we are able to contact you at all times, particularly in an emergency.

We can also let you know what is going on at school including parents evenings, closures and INSET days.

Please remember to visit our website,

www.chessingtoncommunitycollege.co.uk where you can see the school calendar and keep-up-to date with forthcoming events.

Absences should be reported to

Mrs Kerly (Attendance Officer) on 020 8974 1156 Ext: 207

By text on: 020 3137 6796

By email: SC3144006a@schoolcomms.com

End of Year letter from the Chair of Governors and Board

As we have crossed the finish line of another academic year, I thought it was a good time to draw a breath and look back at the ground we have covered since last September.

We have welcomed our new Headteacher, Ash Ali, who is leading a drive to push this school from Good to Great. He is supported by an energetic Senior Team and a fantastic group of teachers, teaching assistants and support staff who all have a common goal- that our students will achieve their very best and have opportunities open to them to inspire. The school also has the support of the Governing Board. Governors are strategic; we challenge the school, we are a critical friend and we monitor and measure progress to ensure that every student is receiving an education that will give them the knowledge and skills needed as they move through to adulthood.

We have so much to be proud of at CCC. My fellow governors and I are inspired by the variety of talents that we have in the school. Take a moment to think about what you and your friends have done this year- amazing isn't it?! It's not just about academic success or winning at a sporting event- sometimes it's about a personal triumph, challenging yourself to try something new, taking responsibilities and supporting your peers when they need you. It's all so important here at CCC.

I was very lucky to be on the interview panel for the roles of Head Boy and Head Girl with fellow governor, Tony Mills, recently. We were so impressed by the ideas and leadership qualities of the interviewees and choosing was difficult. Congratulations to the successful candidates, Amelia and Kupa, who with the help of the Prefects will make a big difference to the student voice and leadership within the school. We look forward to working with them all next year.

We have said goodbye recently to our Year 13 and Year 11 students and look forward to hearing of their exam success next month.

We are also saying goodbye to some staff, we are thankful for their part in our journey and we wish them all the very best in their futures.

September seems a long way off now and everyone is looking forward to the Summer break. Have a wonderful time and enjoy the lie ins!

We look forward to welcoming you all back, with our new Year 7 and new staff in September for another year building on the successes and experiences. 2016/17 promises to be an exciting year!

Kind regards,

Nicola Sheppard

Chair of Governors (Interim)

Chair of Personal Development, Behaviour, Welfare & Community Committee

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Mobile Swimming Pool



£2 per Swimming Lesson
Lessons Monday to Saturday

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Garrison Lane, Chessington, Surrey, KT9 2JS
31 May to 25 August 2016

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Or go online at www.totalswimming.co.uk

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Make a Splash is a teaching pool so the water is always warm. We teach complete non-swimmers of all ages as well as those who wish to improve or learn new strokes, including Girls and Ladies Only Lessons

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Make a Splash Summer Crash Courses

Chessington Sports Centre: 25th July to 25th Aug 2016



TIME	10.00-10.30AM	10.30-11.00AM	11.00-11.30AM	11.30-12.00AM	12.00-12.30PM	12.30-1.00PM	1.00-1.30PM	1.30-2.00PM
MONDAY							8yrs+ Ball Games & Play	Family Fun & Ball Games
TUESDAY							8yrs+ Ball Games & Play	Family Fun & Ball Games
WEDNESDAY	0-3 Years Adult & Toddler Crash Course Mon - Fri	Child LTS 4-6yrs Non-Swim & Beg Crash Course Mon - Fri	Child LTS 4-6yrs Non-Swim & Beg Crash Course Mon - Fri	Child LTS 4-6yrs Improvers Crash Course Mon - Fri	Child LTS Swim 7yrs Non-Swim & Beg Crash Course Mon - Fri	Child LTS 7yrs Improvers Crash Course Mon - Fri	8yrs+ Ball Games & Play	Family Fun & Ball Games
THURSDAY							8yrs+ Ball Games & Play	Family Fun & Ball Games
FRIDAY							8yrs+ Ball Games & Play	Family Fun & Ball Games
TIME	9.00 - 9.30AM	9.30 - 10.00AM	10.00 - 10.30AM	10.30 - 11.00AM	11.00 - 11.30AM	11.30-12.00	12.00-12.30	12.30-1.00PM
SATURDAY	0-3 Years Adult & Toddler	Child Learn to Swim 4-6yrs (Non-Swim & Beg)	Child Learn to Swim 4-6yrs (Improvers)	Child Learn to Swim 7+yrs (Non-Swim & Beg)	Child Learn to Swim 7+yrs (Improvers)	Family Swim Fun & Ball Games	8yrs+ Ball Games & Play	Mixed Adult Non-Swim to Improvers Swimming Lesson

SUMMER COURSES @ HOOK ROAD STUDIO

1ST - 10TH AUGUST 2016

MONDAY 1ST AUGUST

9 - 10:30 AND 10:45 - 12:15

DRUMMING CIRCLE

MONDAY 1ST AUGUST

13.00 - 16.00

BUILD A BAND

TUESDAY 2ND AUGUST

9.00 - 12.00 AND 13.00 - 16.00

ANIMATION - AMAZING!

WEDNESDAY 3RD AUGUST

9.00 - 12.00 AND 13.00 - 16.00

INTRODUCTION TO MUSIC THEORY

MON 8TH - WED 10TH AUGUST

9.00 - 12.00 (AGES 8 - 12)

AND 13.00 - 16.00 (AGES 13 - 16)

SONGWRITER

COST: £20.00 per 3-hour COURSE. FOR 3 HALF DAY COURSES BOOKED, A £10 DISCOUNT WILL BE APPLIED.

(Please note that the Drumming circle ONLY is £10.00)

To sign up, please click [HERE](#)

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DRUMMING CIRCLE

The djembe (African drum) is one of the most popular percussion instruments worldwide. Djembe circles can be found from beaches in Costa Rica to parks in Russia. Playing a drum has been proven to be therapeutic, social, improve intelligence and of course lots and LOTS of FUN. You will learn the most common African drum patterns plus have plenty of chance to make up your own beats. Drums are provided but you are welcome to bring your own. All ages and abilities welcome.

BUILD A BAND

Come together with like-minded students to create your very own rock/pop band. You don't need to have any previous experience to take part in this fun, creative and interactive workshop. Students will gain expert advice from our tutor and will learn how to play a simple pop song together with some friends. All equipment is provided but you are welcome to bring your own. All ages and abilities welcome.

ANIMATION - AMAZING!

In this comprehensive and popular course participants will use cameras and software to produce their own animations. Although part of the course will be the animation of clay figures, participants are welcome to bring toys and objects to work with. Each person will go home with a CD of their own and other people's animations. Suitable for ages 8 - 14.

INTRODUCTION TO MUSIC THEORY

An introduction to basic music theory to all students who are learning a musical instrument and need to brush up on the theory that runs alongside this. This course will run you through basic time signatures, key signatures, bass and treble clefs, intervals, rhythms and Italian terms. This course is particularly beneficial to those thinking of starting theory classes in September. All ages and abilities welcome.

SONGWRITER

This course will cover the song writing, production and recording process from start to to finish. Together we will write a new song utilising the experience of accomplished musicians, record any instrumentation and vocals in our impressive studio and finally edit/mix the final product ready for release! The course consists of 3 x 3 hour sessions on consecutive days. Suitable for ages 8 - 12 and 13 - 16.

T's & C's: please note we reserve the right to cancel the course if we don't have enough students. Once the course is confirmed, we will invoice you for the cost of the course IN ADVANCE and we hold a no refund policy. Tutors will be DBS checked and will sign students in and out of the studio. All courses take place at The Hook Studio, The Hook Centre, Hook Road, Chessington, KT9 1EL.