



## E-NEWS SUMMER TERM 2023

### YEAR 13 GRADUATE

On Thursday 29 of June, Year 13 and their parents gathered in the beautiful setting of the mansion lawns and marquee for their graduation. Dinner was served, group photos were taken and memories were reminisced on. Well done to everyone for completing their A levels. We will miss you Year 13!



### PRIDE MONTH

Throughout June we have been supporting Pride month by fundraising and educating our pupils. Senior School pupils have got involved with cake sales in aid of charity 'All Out'. Thank you to Senior School staff for conducting Pride themed tutor quizzes and library displays.



### PUPILS REACH TOP 10 IN THE UK IN THE PETER JONES TYCOON COMPETITION

Pupils from Year 10 and Year 12 who participated in the Peter Jones Tycoon competition met with Mr Briery to receive a prize for finishing in the top 10 nationally in their Key Stage category. Kayley G and Joanna V from team Buddy Boost made over £800 in sales from their eco-friendly dog toys made from old t-shirts and tennis balls. Josh B, Finn W, Josh C and Giuseppe B from TD Designs created custom hoodies for our school sports teams. They were praised for their resilience and their teamwork. All the participants in the competition gained valuable skills and experience which will benefit them in years to come.



# ART, PHOTOGRAPHY AND TEXTILES EXHIBITIONS

## *Art and photography*

We hope that parents and pupils have enjoyed seeing the Year 11 and 13 art and photography on display. The artwork showcases a wide range of different ideas and processes experimented with by pupils ranging from work created in Year 10 into Year 11 and Year 12 into Year 13. Pupils should be proud of their achievements; every single one of them has created some impressive and unique outcomes this year. Comments from guests visiting the show observed that the pupils work was 'impressive' individual' and of a 'high standard'.

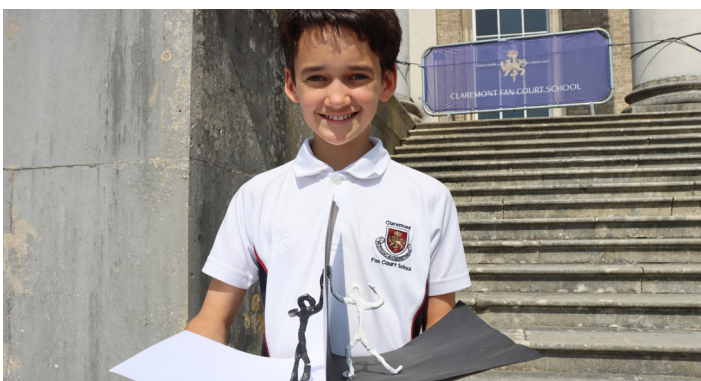
## *Textiles*

Textile design GCSE and A level work was exhibited this half term. Parents were very proud to see the excellent work produced by Year 11 and 13 students for their coursework and externally set exam projects. The A level students' work explored a wide range of diverse themes including: 'Music, Fears and Phobias', 'Physical and Natural protection', 'Crime', 'Emotional and Physical pain', 'and 'The Seasons'. They constructed exceptional outcomes which included a variety of textile responses: dresses, jackets, installations, a bird cage and a suitcase. The GCSE pupils displayed a brilliant range of amazing textiles, garments, and wall hangings which were the result of their hard work over the last two years.



## **SPIRITED ARTS COMPETITION WINNERS**

All Year 7 pupils have participated in a national arts competition for theology, and we have now awarded the top winners at Claremont. Congratulations to Sasha WL, Finlay H, Olivia C and Elea F. Well done for your contributions and your creativity in producing such brilliant and unique pieces of art. In a few weeks, we will be submitting your artwork to the judges for the national competition and we can't wait to hear about the results!



## YEAR 7 TRAVEL SHOW

On Monday 3 and Tuesday 4 July, parents and staff were invited to an unforgettable adventure with Year 7 pupils, who brought the wonders of the United Kingdom to life at the annual Travel Show.

Year 7 pupils have been working hard in their geography lessons to research the human and physical geography of their region and sell it as a tourist destination. From the rugged Highlands of Scotland to the picturesque beaches of Cornwall, the Year 7s took their roles as regional ambassadors very seriously and impressed us with their enthusiasm and energy, local knowledge, and superb displays.

The new dining hall was transformed into a vibrant collection of posters, leaflets, display boards, local delicacies to sample and costumes. Guests were serenaded by a violin playing Welsh dragon, several palaeontologist dinosaurs and a dancing Irish leprechaun. The range of food to try varied from crab and chips, to delicious scones and homemade cakes. Well done, Year 7!



## GERMAN PLAY PERFORMANCE

As the weather has been gloriously sunny the past few weeks, the pupils have enjoyed having some outdoor lessons. In particular, Year 8 had a fun time doing a German lesson in our peace garden. Pupils wrote their very own plays in German and performed their scenes in front of their class mates in the sunshine.

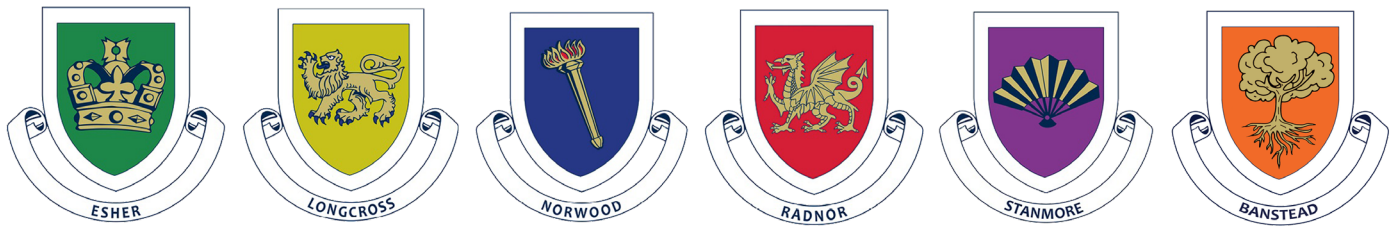


# Enrichment week 2023

Enrichment week is always a highlight of the year for our pupils. Year 7 had a blast on their residential trip to Osmington Bay's PGL centre where they took part in outdoor activities. Meanwhile, Year 8 ventured to scenic Pembrokeshire where they enjoyed boat trips and gathering around campfires. Year 9 conquered their Duke of Edinburgh bronze expedition in the Surrey Hills, took on rollercoasters at Chessington World of Adventures and learnt about sustainability at Twickenham Stadium. Year 10's silver Duke of Edinburgh expedition took place in the New Forest, whilst remaining pupils went to Sandown Park dry slopes and took part in textiles, ceramics and criminology workshops.







# HOUSE UPDATE

It has been a wonderful half term for house competitions which culminated in house sports day on Wednesday 5 July. Dressed in their house colours, Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 took part in exhilarating events ranging from team relay races to nerf throwing, high jump to sprinting the 150m. Well done to Esher who won the sports day overall.

Pupils have been battling it out for house points throughout the year, in the hopes that they could win the much-anticipated house cup. We are pleased to announce that Stanmore have once again triumphed and lifted the house cup in the end of term assembly. Congratulations Stanmore!

Have a great summer!  
-The heads of houses



# CENTENARY GALA DAY



As our centenary year draws to a close we are still reflecting on the wonderful Gala Day we shared with the entire Claremont community. So many happy memories were made on Saturday 1 July, that we will enjoy for many years to come. We hope everyone enjoyed the fairground rides, food village and activities on offer. Please view our Facebook album to see more photos.

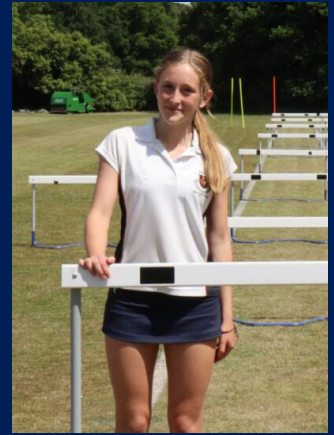


# SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

## ATHLETICS UPDATE

### PUPILS REPRESENT NORTH EAST SURREY AT THE SURREY SCHOOL ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

A number of Claremont pupils represented NE Surrey at the Surrey School Athletics Championships. Congratulations to Lucas D, who for the second-year running was crowned junior boys javelin champion with a throw of 45m 47cm. Well done to Genna L who came second in the 75m hurdles. We are delighted to announce Lucas has been selected to represent Surrey at the English School Championships.



### NATIONAL PREP SCHOOL ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Well done to the following pupils who were selected to represent West Surrey at the National Prep School Athletics Championship on Monday 3 July.

The following pupils were selected to represent Surrey at Pingles Stadium.

Josh H – U14 boys long jump

Holly R – U13 girls javelin

Ella S – U13 girls javelin

Eloise P – U13 girls 200m

Holly R – U13 girls discus

Giles H – U13 boys shot put

## TENNIS ACHEIVEMENTS

### HOUSE COMPETITION

Well done to the following students won their year group –

Girls

Year 7: Jessica L

Year 8: Anais P

Year 9: Rachel R

Year 10: Ava P

Boys

Harry S

Fred W

Oliver R



### LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION NATIONAL LEAGUE

From an extremely busy season our U13 Girls have won their group stages of the LTA League. Well done to the following girls that played in these matches – Anais P, Olivia B, Maddie M, Poppy M and Daisy G.

## U15 ISFA SHIELD TOURNAMENT FINALISTS

On Tuesday 13 June, the U15 girls were invited to the ISFA Shield Finals Day after beating Radnor House in the quarter final.

The day was hosted at The County Ground in Hertfordshire where they took part in the semi-final and then final. The girls should be extremely proud of all their hard work and effort this season to go on a fantastic cup run and it is history for us at Claremont Fan Court School making an ISFA Shield Final.

Well done to all the girls who took part this season and we can strive to go again next year!



Further information and details regarding all sports achievements this term are available via the school website:

[www.claremontfancourt.co.uk/whats-on/news-and-views/](http://www.claremontfancourt.co.uk/whats-on/news-and-views/)



## COUNTY LEVEL RUGBY SUCCESS

Congratulations to Conall C in Year 10 who recently won a county medal with his Windsor RFC U15A team. He was also awarded most improved player for the season in the A team.



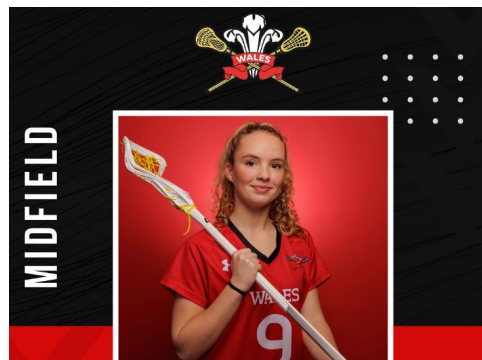
## HARLEQUINS STOOP WINNERS

Well done to Nico W and Lucas D whose team won the Surrey U14s final at the Harlequins Stoop. Lucas and Nico are part of the Esher Rugby Club A team and they played Battersea Ironsides at the Harlequins Stoop ground. It was a thrillingly close game but we are pleased to say they won 12-10! Lucas got the first try which was exciting. Nico had a super weaving, lengthy run past lots of players (a Nico trademark all season) to set up the second and winning try.



## WAKEBOARDING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Good luck to Raffa who is competing in the World Wakeboard Championships next week and Plastic Playground, another big worldwide competition the following week. He has been working so hard, training three hours on the lake after school every night, as well as most of the weekends. We are rooting for you Raffa!



## PUPILS COMPETE AT NATIONAL LEVEL FOR LACROSSE

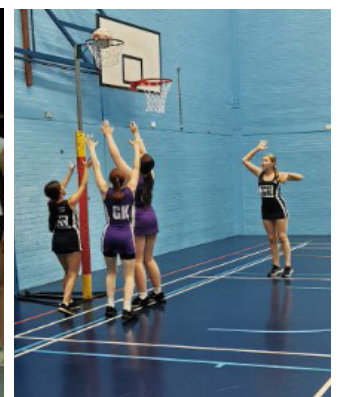
Best of luck to Year 12 student Molly R who is playing for the Welsh national lacrosse team. Well done to Sophia R in Year 12 who is also competing for the Spanish lacrosse squad. We are very proud of them.

## TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP WINNER

Well done to Olivia B who won the U15 Girl's Tennis Championship at the Lensbury (her local club) on Wednesday 5 July. She beat several people on her way to the final and played really well.

## KEELE NETBALL TOUR

Year 9 had a great time on their Keele netball tour. Well done to the U14a team who came fourth in the cup and the U14b team who came sixth in the shield. They had a fantastic weekend of netball and enjoyed a talk from Serena Guthrie.



# Clubs

## CONSERVATION CLUB

Conservation club enjoyed a thrilling (yet slow) snail race one lunchtime this half term. This involved eight giant snails racing to eat a piece of cucumber at the edge of a circle. Remarkably, we found some archived photos of a snail race from 1992 which look almost identical to conservation club's activity!



## WAR HAMMER CLUB

This creative club runs each week in the art room. Sixth form student Jack J leads the club and the members range from Year 7 to Year 12. The group have painted for weeks on end and are now playing the game.



# PTA UPDATE

Thank you to all for your support of the PTA this year. As you all know we have been supporting the school by raising funds for the Claremont 100 charities and we are so pleased that we have raised over £55,000. It was wonderful to see everyone out enjoying all the activities on Gala Day and at the Centenary Ball. What a fabulous way to end the year!

Next year the PTA will be changing it's name to Friends of Claremont Fan Court School and will be returning to focusing on raising funds to support enrichment activities at the school and organising social events for the Claremont community. We look forward to welcoming you to all the forthcoming events starting with our Annual AGM on Wednesday 13 September at 7pm.

TICKETS FOR ALL PTA EVENTS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH: [www.claremontconnect.co.uk/events](http://www.claremontconnect.co.uk/events)

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