

# Reeves all about it



## Michaelmas Term Review

This term has been a long journey, with many events happening inside and outside of the College that have impacted us all in some shape or form. From the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in the first few weeks of this term to the success of the inter-house events, the panic, and the stress of putting together the house concert to watching the thrills and spills of the world cup together in the house and for some the impact of severe weather conditions stopping them from getting to

the College for 24 hours in the final week of the term. This term we have once again seen many new faces in the house as we welcomed another very large cohort of 16 new Year 9 boys who have been superb in everything, they have done this term. They have impressed with their willingness to participate in all aspects of college life and as a group, they continue to grow in confidence. We have welcomed Matthew Clark and Cameron Pert in Year 10, Isaac Elwood has been a fantastic addition to the sixth form

and all the boys have settled in very well indeed. The boys have responded positively to many of the challenges that they have faced this term and they continue to show resilience and a willingness to succeed across many spheres of school life. On top of their academic commitments, the boys have been extremely busy with sporting fixtures and extra-curricular

activities including house drama and singing competitions. I hope you have found the weekly emails useful, and you enjoy hearing about

what is happening in the house on a weekly basis. Below is a snapshot of some of the house and wider achievements this term. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support this term. I wish all the boys and families in Reeves a fantastic festive break. I hope that you all enjoy some quality time together as a family over the holidays. I wish you all every success and happiness for 2023 and look forward to seeing you in the New Year. Matt



## Key dates for Lent Term 2023:

### Sunday 8 January

House open 10am-8pm

### Monday 9 January

New term begins for all HM Assembly

### Thursday 26 January

Y10 parents meeting 15:15

Exeat begins at 14:35 (staff meetings)

### Friday 10 February

Half term starts 14:35

Y11 Parents meetings and A-level info 15:15

### Monday 20 February

Term resumes for All pupils

### Saturday 25 February

Reeves and Blackwater Dinner

### Friday 10 March

Exeat begins at 14:35

### Friday 24 March

Term end of all pupils

### Tuesday 18 April

Summer term begins

## Academic

In what has been a long and demanding term there have been a considerable number of academic achievements, too numerous for them all to be mentioned here. Yet there are some that stand out as examples of genuine excellence, worthy of our collective recognition. William Curtis should be congratulated for achieving a grade 9 in his GCSE mathematics examination which he sat during Year 10 we wish him the best of luck with his further maths GCSE this year. In chemistry, Karam Al-Robaie and William Goddard achieved silver awards in the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge.

At the pinnacle of academic endeavor, Jacob Kremer, Alex Cardoza, Dylan Pearson, William Liggett and Karam Al-Robaie put forward an application to Oxford or Cambridge. All the boys should be commended for the time and effort they have put into putting together and preparing for their application. Our best wishes to Karam as he waits to hear feedback from his interview after the Christmas break.

UCAS applications for all Year 13 are well underway and I have been pleased to see the offers flooding in for many with lots of decisions to consider in the Lent Term. Ben van Noort and Cass Stallion and another pupil in Year 13 who achieved a recognised financial qualification in early December successfully sat their Chartered Institute of Securities and Investments Level 2 qualification. They are followed by a year 12 cohort who is now well underway with their studies, aiming to repeat this success in June. Ewan Clark should also be congratulated for the time and effort he put into preparing his application to the Ward and Burke Arkwright Engineering Scholarship.

In maths 55 pupils entered the recent Senior Maths Challenge with Karam Al-Robaie, achieving the best result in the College. Alex Weame achieved a gold certificate while Jonah Ripley, Alex Cardoza and Ewan Clark achieved bronze certificates.

In Years 9 and 10, the boys have had assessments/exams towards the end of this term and a special mention should go to Thomas Hoskinson who had the top average grade (8/9) in Reeves during the end of term Year 10 examinations.

In September, the winners of the Headmaster's Challenge were announced with Freddie Timlin (Year 9), Eric Wood (Year 10) and Noah Titterton-Manos (Year 11) winners of their respective year groups.

Also earlier in the term, the Immerse Education national essay competition scholarship was won by Alex Weame. While Hector Lawson was the first Reeves boy to have accumulated 30 reward points. Hector was awarded a café voucher for all his hard work throughout the term so far.

Praise points winners listed below have received a prize at the end-of-term house celebration assembly.

Praise marks Roll of honour – Michaelmas Term 2022				
Top 5 pupils in each year for this term *				
Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
1. Hector Lawson - 55	1. Tom Hoskinson - 19	1. Eddie Anderson - 26	1. Isaac Ellwood - 17	1. Dylan Pearson - 24
2. Freddie Timlin - 44	2. Rowan Bell - 17	2. Noah T-M - 23	2. Zizie Ndlovu - 14	2. Ben v-N - 17
3. Zeph Brown - 29	3. Henry Hollands - 17	3. Billy Mannion - 19	3. Ewan Clark - 13	3. Jacob Kremer - 15
4. Will Fellows - 29	4. Billy Hart - 16	4. Reuben Mace - 18	4. Charlie Jenden - 10	4. William Goddard - 14
5. Aaden Wong - 29	5. Jonah Ripley - 14	5. Christopher MW - 18	5. Alex Weame - 7	5. William Liggett - 13

## Services

The annual Harvest Appeal for Eastbourne Foodbank started the term with over 2,300 quality meals provided, and this term we introduced our two Chapel Charities – namely Crisis, supporting homeless people and Bushbells, - providing equipment, buildings, and teachers for a school project in Kenya.

This year's Poppy Appeal raised over £900, which is the first time we collected for the Community Christmas Chest - to bring a little joy in difficult times. In late November the Reeves House Concert raised £415 for challenging MND in support of those affected by Motor Neurone disease. In the summer Oliver Beaton (picture, second left) walked over



of enthusiasts enjoyed a cold but enjoyable overnight exercise in late November. Well done must also go to Felix McAndrew, Daniel Caroe and Hector Lawson who were involved in providing the music for the Remembrance Service on Remembrance Sunday.

Year 11 has focused on the humanitarian role of the Royal Navy with Reuben Mace demonstrating particularly good application of their knowledge to complete the challenges set in assisting the British Virgin Islands in the aftermath of Hurricane Irma.

Beyond CCF, 120 members of the Lower Sixth have been involved in service activities. In Reeves Alex Farlam and Oliver Tutt have been involved in the green team. Ewan Clark, Isaac Ripley, Isaac Ellwood and Alex Wearne have been giving support with maths and languages via Teams to pupils from local secondary schools. While Zizie Ndlovu and Charlie Jenden have been directing Year 9 drama productions.

This term saw our DofE numbers swell with seventy Y10 joining the Silver and eighteen additional Y12 applications for Gold DofE. During the Oct half-term, William Curtis, Finlay Eadie, Oguz Karaca, James Katz, Reuben Mace and Noah Titterton-Manos were part of a group of fifty-nine Y11 pupils who completed their practice silver expedition on the South Downs and Y13 pupils Cass Stallion and Karam Al-Robaie (pictured, right) successfully complete their gold assessment on the Brecon Beacons.

Congratulations to Oliver Tutt, Isaac Ripley, Alex Wearne and Zizie Ndlovu who were awarded their Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award. While at the end-of-term assembly Karam-Al Robaie was informed that he had been awarded his Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award which he will receive at the Palace later this year.



110km over six days to raise money for SUDC UK (Sudden Death in Children. To date, Oliver and his three compatriots in Year 11 Craig House have raised just over £4000 for this very worthy cause.

In CCF Reeves Y10 programmes got underway whilst the majority of those who have stayed on for Year 11 are developing the skills of instructing and leading, with a view to future responsibility. On Remembrance Sunday all cadets paid their respects to The Fallen, either at the College or by marching in the town parade and in addition a small number



## Creatives

Year Nine house drama was a fun and light-hearted event where each house was given a part of the movie Harry Potter and the Chambers of Secrets to recreate on stage. This year's directors Charlie Jenden and Zizie Ndlovu did a fantastic job and under their tutelage, the boys managed to win the competition. Charlie and Zizie were awarded Best Directors for their efforts and Louis Poulton won the special prize for having the best beard.

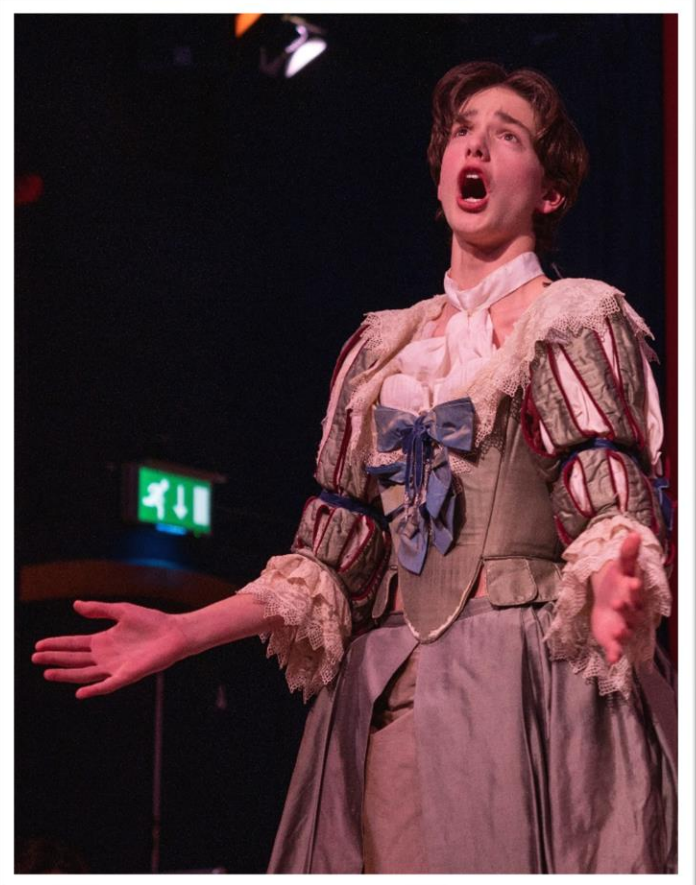




Ahead of the half-term break, we had the house singing competition. Unfortunately, the house did not place but our version of One Direction's – History was rousing. Perhaps we need to change genres next year...

Meanwhile, this term we have been treated to Reeves Year 10 and 11 drama scholars' production of *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*. Well done to Billy Mannion, Neffion Myles-Hall, Noah Gould, and Noah Titterton-Manos who were involved in the performance.

At the end of the term, we were treated to the college production of *Nell Gwynn*. Zizie Ndlovu, William Travers, Hector Lawson, Noah Gould, and Noah Titterton-Masons are to be congratulated for creating a spellbinding performance that has been universally praised.



In music, Felix McAndrew and Hector Lawson have taken part in a series of informal concerts this term. The Advent Carol Service, this year held in Chapel, featured the joint choirs of St Andrew's and the College. Well done to Felix McAndrew, Daniel Caroe and Hector Lawson who were involved in the choir and to Cass Stallion for a strong reading. On the last week of term, the Christmas concert, featuring the Symphony Orchestra, Brass Group, String Ensemble, Flute Group, and Jazz Band got everyone into the Christmas spirit. It was great to see a large contingent of Reeves boys involved. Well done to Elliot Hibbert, Felix McAndrew, Hector Lawson, William Fellows, and William Curtis. Lastly, the two carol services on Thursday and Friday provide an uplifting and festive flourish to celebrate Christmas at the end of term and a special mention to Dylan Pearson and to Theo Bathard-Smith who were readers at the services.



At the end of November, the boys put together a strong house concert with each year group contributing an act or video. Special mention should go to those who were involved in solo performances. Well done to Cameron Pert, Hector Lawson, Felix McAndrew, Daniel Caroe, Nima Sorooshian, Elliot Hibbert and William Curtis. Pictures from some of the performances are included below. At the end of term assembly, Felix McAndrew was awarded his grade 3 in the clarinet, William Fellows grade 6 in the trumpet, Daniel Caroe grade 5 singing and Hector Lawson grade 4 and grade 5 in the trumpet.



## Sports



It has been a busy term with many Reeves boys in action. We have had 12 sports and 38 teams in 182 fixtures with over 75% (almost) 500 pupils wearing the College crest and competing in the weekend, mid-week, and cup matches.



Over 220 boys have competed in the 70 rugby fixtures this term. All players deserve credit for their spirit and determination and plaudits must go to the 1st XV playing sometimes three times a week. Not only have the 1st XV won 10 from 13 this term, including a satisfying win over Brighton College, but also enjoyed a second consecutive successful run in the national cup. This year they played up a level and won through to the Vase quarter final. Well done to

Dylan Pearson, Jack Pincus, Karam A-Robaie and Louis Fisher who were part of the team.

### Sporting Honours list:

- Louis Fisher – full colours – rugby
- Jack Pincus – half colours – rugby
- Karam A-Robaie – half colours – rugby
- Dylan Pearson – half colours – rugby
- Reuben Mace – half colours – equestrian

The 2nd XV has impressively won five from seven this season



playing some superb rugby too. Other teams worthy of mention are the U16Bs five wins from eight, the U15As four from eight and the U15Bs four wins from six. Well done to all the Reeves boys who have been involved in these teams throughout the term.

The Swim teams' commitment to training paid off with them achieving new personal bests and College firsts in national competitions once

again, culminating with participation in the national relay heats. Well done to Mark Mackie (Pictured, first left.) Mark along with the inter-boys qualified for the national finals for the second consecutive year and having seeded 18th at the Olympic Pool, they finished 10th nationally from 128 schools who entered in the medley and freestyle respectively. The squad have their eyes firmly set on the Weald and Downland Trophy and the National Bath Cup next term, the other two big competitions of the year. Well done to Mark who produced a personal best time on the day of the competition.



Other highlights this term have included the basketball team competing in the Sussex League and for the first time, the national knockout cup. Well done to Zizie Ndlovu, Oguz Karaca and Isaac Elwood who have represented the basketball team this term





The two College football teams have played in five competitive friendly matches this term in readiness for the full season in January.

At the start of this term, the U17 Cricket XI (pictured, below) competed in the plate final against Stowe. After a tough first game in the cup the U17XI ended



up on the wrong end of the result, they were matched against Eton in the last 16 of the plate. After a long bus journey, they arrived and battled hard ending up in a convincing victory. They then faced Lords Wandsworth at home and with confidence growing the team restricted the opposition to under 200 sending themselves through to the semi-finals. Bristol Grammar School were up next and with an explosive opening partnership the team scored 313 in 35 overs after a few early wickets the game was won, and all eyes turned to the final. Sadly, it was not to be, and Stowe come out as well-deserved winners on the day but we congratulate Ben Van Noort (captain) and Monty Dahms for their efforts in the squad and hope that they will cherish the experience.



The boy's 1<sup>st</sup> hockey team competed in the Indoor County Tournament, which was hosted at the College. The boys played some great hockey but miss out on advancing to the regional finals.

The Simon Green Cup for endeavour is a prestigious termly award given to a pupil who has shown the characteristics and value of endeavours within a term or over a sustained period or even years. With normally one or two winners each term there is often no recognition for pupils who have been shortlisted or recommended by staff. This term, for their endeavour in sport, Mark McKie and Zizie Ndlovu (pictured, left) should be recognised for showing the characteristics required to be shortlisted and should be very proud of what they have achieved.

The start of the annual inter-house cup has begun in earnest with four sports getting the competition underway with many more to

follow in the next two terms. This term started off with the house rugby competition. The Year 9 team finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place, the Year 10 team finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place, the Year 11 team finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place and the sixth form team finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with Reeves finishing in 5<sup>th</sup> place overall.

Then we had the Steeplechase. Reeves managed to finish in 1<sup>st</sup> place overall, thanks to some fantastic running from the Will's. William Fellows came 1<sup>st</sup> in the junior boy's race, William Curtis finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the intermediate race and William Liggett finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the senior boy's race.

Sadly, the house swimming and squash competition did not bring as much success, but it was great to see 27 different boys volunteer to swim for the house with Reeves finishing in 6<sup>th</sup> place overall. In the house squash competition, the senior team of Jacob Kremer and Theo Bathard-Smith finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place while the junior team made of up Barney Bathard-Smith and William Fellows (pictured, right) finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place with Reeves finishing in 6<sup>th</sup> overall. Overall, we finished the term in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the sports cup with the hope of more success next term. Pictures from the house events this term are featured below.



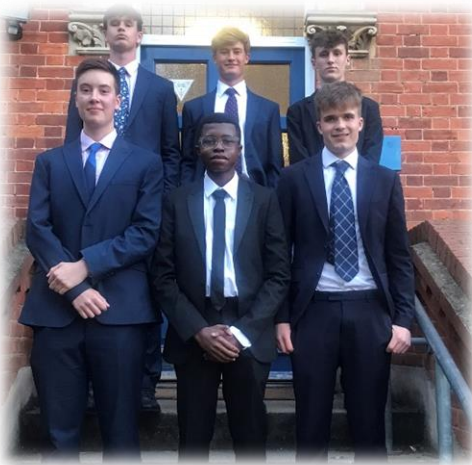








## Social



Throughout the course of this term, the house has remained busy with social activities. We have had a Year 12 induction dinner (pictured, left) where this year's theme was formal. The Year 13 enjoyed a curry evening with the Year 9 having a pizza evening at the start of term and



another to celebrate their win in the house drama. Year 10 and 11 socials are due to happen in the new year, but it was great to finish the term off with the traditional end-of-term social as the sixth form headed to Pomodoro's (pictured, below left).



Well done to everyone for their perseverance throughout the course of this term. It has been a busy one. On our return Year 11 will sit mock examinations and work will continue to ramp up for other year groups. I hope that you all have a fantastic Christmas and a very Happy New Year and I look forward to welcoming everyone back in January 2023 for what I hope will be another strong year for the house.

Merry Christmas!

