Gonville House Newsletter

Summer Term 2022

I am pleased to say, at the end of my third year in charge, that I have finally managed a full year in the house with all the terms complete! Here's hoping that things continue in this vein. Certainly, the boys have thrived on a return to normality, the chance to chat with other year groups, the ability to see the full expression of a staff member or friend & the removal of other limitations. The lingering effects of the last two years were apparent, however, and it was strange to see an entire house of pupils without any experience of public exams. I remember during my GCSEs having older pupils regale me with how hard everything was over a bowl of cereal. The classic "What? You haven't started working yet?" was not to be heard (apart from teachers). I know that the boys worked hard and I look forward to them scaring next years' exam cohorts and a return to the normal ebb and flow of the school year.

As we await the academic results in August, there is a lot to reflect upon with pride. The house came second in the house sports competition this term with wins in the basketball, badminton and second place in the tennis. Gonville were also proactive in raising money for the Matthew 25 Mission - a local charity supporting those who are homeless or otherwise lost in our community. Over the year we donated close to £3000 which will have made a huge difference. Huge thanks must go to Helena for spearheading and inspiring our fundraising. I think all would agree that the Chapel service



she organised with the Mission this term was among the most memorable. One of their patrons shared his story, an incredible tale of bad luck, poor choices and, in the end, the impact of kindness on people's lives. I hope we can continue to work with them in the future. Following the concert and brownie sale, this terms effort was the Channel Challenge where the boys swam the equivalent of 1.7 crossings in three hours.

Congratulations to following on receiving full or half colours at the end of term assembly:

Herbert Keung	Music	Full
Emmanuel Bawa	Cricket	Full
Finn McKeown	Cricket	Half
Finn McKeown	Tennis	Half
Arthur McKay	Tennis	Half
Shin Kawagoe	Tennis	Half

KEY DATES:

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Thursday 18 August

A Level results day

Thursday 25 August

GCSE results day

Wednesday 31 August

12pm New pupil induction day (year 10,11 & 12)

530pm New year 9 return

6pm Other boys return

Thursday 1st September

Lessons begin

Friday 23 September

U6th parents' meetings

Exeat begins

Sunday 25 September

Boys return after 6pm

Friday 14 October

L6th parents' meeting

Half term starts

Sunday 30 October

Boys return after 4pm

Saturday 11 November

Gonville Revue

Friday 18 November

Year 9 drama followed by parents' meetings

Exeat starts

Sunday 20 November

Boys return after 6pm

Sunday 11 December

Gonville Christmas Supper

Friday 16 December

Term ends!

Academic Review

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Voor 12		Most Improved:		
Year 13 Wilson Zhang	6.67			
Arthur McKay	<i>'</i>	Harry Prescott + 0.2		
Theo Wong	5.79 5.64	James Hall	+ 0.23	
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Most Improved:		Year 9		
		Isaac Lee	6.25	
Arthur McKay	+ 0.63	Jack Carr		
Jago Goodsell	+ 0.5	Samuel Lee	5.31 5.17	
Nils Houben	+ 0.42	Jamuel Lee).1 /	
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Edward Rowell	5.63	Felix St John Parker	+ 0.34	
Matthew Geddes	5.52			
Shin Kawagoe	5.4I	Show Hsm Roll of Hono		
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Herbie Flint	+ 0.33	Oliver Bearcroft	4 (3)	
Luke Clifford	+ 0.31	Arsène Chaté	4 (I)	
		Ben Whiteley	4 (I)	
Year 11				
Elias Ritterbusch	5.68	Year 9		
William Daniels	5.13	Isaac Lee	10 (5)	
Oliver Du Feu	5.1	James Mattison	4 (5)	
		Daniel Li 4 (4)		
Most Improved:		Class effort awards:		
Oliver Rose	+ 0.25	Nils Houben I	Economics	
Max Crowther	+ 0.22		Economics	
			Physics & Biology	
Year 10			English	
Oliver Bearcroft	5.67		English	
Archie Stephens	5.44	Barley O'Conor Biology & Chemistr		
Ben Whiteley	5.30	Isaac Lee Geography		
Arsène Chaté	5.28	Daniel Li	Chemistry	

Prize-giving

Congratulations to the following for winning prizes this term. It is no mean feat to overcome all the rest and get the chance for a round of applause at prize-giving. That said some of them should learn to smile and Emmanuel managed to completely avoid the photo!

Wilson Zhang Ellis Firkins Senior DT Prize
Luke Burnham L6th Economics Prize

Matthew Geddes L6th Physical Education Prize

Isaac Lee Year 9 Art Prize Daniel Li Year 9 DT Prize









Further to academic awards, the following were awarded for wider contribution to the school:

Emmanuel Bawa PG and DG Gilbert Prize for contribution

to boys sport

Arthur McKay Godden Memorial Prize for services to

Gonville

Herbert Keung Level 4 Diploma in French Horn



House Awards

Academic Performance: Luke Burnham

Sportsman of the Term: Harry Heming

Matron's Award: Yuki Nagata

Yeargroup Awards:

Year 9: Daniel Li
Year 10: Arsène Chaté
Year 11: Elias Ritterbusch
Year 12: Shin Kawagoe
Year 13: Wilson Zhang

GONVILLIAN OF THE TERM: Daniel Li

This term house colours were awarded to:

Matthew Campbell
Matthew Whiteley
Yan Tarpan
Nils Houben
Theo Wong
Mosope Oyemade
Elias Ritterbusch
Alvaro Pérez Ruiz-Esteller

GONVILLIAN OF THE YEAR: Isaac Lee

Creative Review

The art department has been a hive of activity as pupils prepared work for their public exams and I hope many of you were able to attend the display on Speech Day. During the Easter holiday **Isaac Lee** was able to visit Goldsmith's Centre for Contemporary Art to see his prize-winning work on display. No one in the house was involved in drama productions this term, but with a number of our year 9 choosing this as a GCSE option and with 7 or 8 auditioning for the school play next term, I am hopeful that we will have much to review in future newsletters.





A sample of **Yan Tarpan's** A Level work and a sculpture made by **Rowley Emus** (year 9) which will be part of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations (sadly delayed by poor weather). Now this and other sculptures like it will be displayed on the South Downs as part of the Queen's Green Canopy Project..

Isaac Lee's winning entry from the Monument's competition for Goldsmith's. On the subject of contemporary art it is exciting to have the Turner Prize 2023 at the Towner Gallery just next door to the school art schools.





Creative Review (cotd.)

In music, congratulations to **Herbert Keung** who once again made the final of the senior class of the Young Musician of the Year competition with his French Horn. He played Francis Poulenc's *Elegie*. Herbert was also in the Symphony Orchestra for speech day along with **Elias Ritterbusch** and **Isaac Lee** for their fabulous rendition of the Pirates of the Caribbean theme. He has been a member of the choir for five years and, latterly, has also been part of the Chamber choir.





Music continues to grow in the house with ten or fifteen of the boys either doing formal lessons or just playing in their spare time. It is another area I look forward to seeing more on in the future, whether in singer-songwriter performances, the Jazz Band (like **Arsène Chaté**) or at the house concert.





Herbert receiving his Level 4 Diploma in French Horn from the Headmaster at Prize-giving.

Service Review

With Helena at the helm, Gonville's charitable events continued to raise money for The Matthew 25 Mission. Following the success of the brownie sale, we held a quiz in house to raise funds and then attempted to swim the Channel in the College pool. In the event all bar two of the house took part in the event (those unable to swim marked the tally) and Gonville managed to swim 1.7 'Channels' or nearly 2,500 lengths of the pool in just three hours. Special mention should go to **Harry Prescott** who swam 254 single-handed.

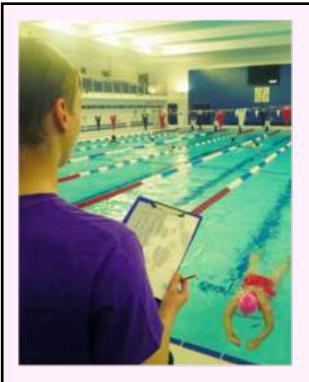






















Service Review (cotd.)

At the end of June Matthew 25 sponsored the Eastbourne 10k run and three Gonvillians got up at 7am on a Sunday to volunteer their time as stewards. **Ryan Liu, Samuel Lee** and **Jack Carr** were tasked with handing out snacks, refreshments and the removal of GPS trackers.









In May the house contributed to a shipment of supplies heading to Eastern Europe to help those fleeing the conflict in Ukraine. This fundraising was spearheaded by **Yan Tarpan.**



Service Review (cotd.)

The term ended with the annual year 10 CCF camp. Pupils in year 10 get to visit museums in London, sail, build rafts, develop some survival skills and camp out overnight in the woods.



In support of Craig's initiative to raise money for Young Minds, a teenage mental health charity, Mr Wingfield Digby gave the boys a chance to pelt him in the stocks. Despite being confident that most of the larger boys were absent on study leave, a couple of painful blows were taken (spot the sponge competition). Well done to the Gonvillians that contributed to this wonderful cause.





Sport Review

Gonville had a remarkable run in the house sport this term, at one point close to the top spot, after wins in the junior and senior basketball, the junior badminton and second places in senior badminton and all the tennis competitions. In the senior basketball, Matthew Campbell, Theo Wong, Aidan Yao, Matthew Whiteley, Mosope Oyemade and Nathan Woodall saw off each competition until the thrilling final match against Pennell. Very evenly matched, the match ebbed and flowed until a late Campbell free throw saw the scores levelled. In the end first place was decided by the extra bonus point Gonville had scored in an earlier round.



In the junior competition **Barley O'Conor**, **Herman Ris**, **Harry Heming**, **Daniel Li**, **Samuel Lee** and

Ryan Liu were undefeated with a large points difference. The hoop in the garden appears to be paying off and it seems as though Eastbourne basketball will have a Gonville flavour for some years. The same could be said for tennis. The Year 9 and Year 10 were red hot favourites going into the competition and, although they lost all three finals to Wargrave there is once again a sense that tennis will be pink for the foreseeable future. Well done to **Arthur McKay, Shin Kawagoe, Luke Clifford** and **Rohan Van de Ven** in the senior competition (where



they overcame a very strong Powell outfit), Harry
Heming, Oliver Bearcroft, Archie Stephens and
Lucas Jayaraj in year 10 and Daniel Li, Herman Ris,
Jack Carr and Samuel Lee in the year 9 competition.







Sport Review (cotd.)

In badminton, the senior pairing of Yuki Nagata and Aidan Lo came close to beating favourites Pennell, but in the end had to settle for second place. In the junior competition Isaac and Samuel Lee set their stall out for five year of domination as they dismantled all-comers (including some year II pupils with large wingspans). It was wonderful to see the understanding between the two brothers as they picked the opponents

apart. This final racquet-sports win, off the back of the Meek Cup for squash last term, suggests that Gonville has a bright future in these events. House fives required a single pairing from any year group. In the end three boys represented

Gonville valiantly securing third place. Lucas Jayaraj, Oscar Fox

and William Daniels managed some memorable wins. This leaves just swimming and

cricket to deal with before Sports Day. In the pool, Harry **Prescott** should be congratulated for winning the Intermediate 50m butterfly and 50m freestyle. Jack Carr won the 25m junior butterfly. Overall it was just wonderful to see such a large number of pupils all getting the chance to swim for the house. The success was varied, but the spirit never wavered and I was hugely impressed by the effort all the lads put in. Similarly, the house cricket competition



With most of our cricketers sidelined by injury or the ball crew at the Rothesay International, it was down to our non-cricketers to represent the house. One chap even took guard on the wrong side of the stumps. It is wonderful to think that a number of people have now had a taste of cricket and it was a lovely atmosphere of inclusion and participation that saw all houses seek to ensure that all had a really positive experience. The next few pages show a few action shots of these competitions, followed by a round up of Sports Day.



































































































Sports Day

As is tradition, the final sporting event of the year is an afternoon of athletics. Always a vibrant occasion, this year was made better by an increased number of competitors which allowed every single pupil present the chance to compete at something. Sadly some confusion around a last minute illness and the U17 cricket semifinal meant that a couple of events were missed, but overall the spirit and willingness to get stuck in stood out. Sadly we only had one year 11 in attendance, but the year 10s stepped up to have a go and I hope they will choose to be part of next year's event. Overall Gonville came 5th (just one point away from 4th) and the seniors came 3rd with some excellent results. Those on the podiums are highlighted below. Special mention should go to **Barley O'Conor** who came second in the 100m race that counted for points, but in the showpiece final grabbed gold with a stunning PB of 11.17 (there was a strongish tailwind, but still 0.7 of a second quicker than his previous best.

	Senior	Time	Place	Inter (year 11*)	Time	Place
Hurdles	Emmanuel Bawa	17.77s	İst		17.84	5th
	Luke Burnham	19.07s	3rd	Archie Stephens		
1500m	Tom Hutton	4:50m	İst	Oliver Bearcroft	5.41	5th
	Yan Tarpan	5:55m	10th	Oliver Bearcroft		
	Luke Clifford	1:00.58m	2nd	D \A/L:I	1:20,43m	4th
400m	Shin Kawagoe	1:09.55m	8th	Ben Whiteley		
200	Theo Wong	DID NOT COMPETE			20.44	-
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100	Emmanuel Bawa	11.52s	3rd		13.33s	4th
100m	Finn McKeown	12.21s	7th	Harry Prescott		
000	Luke Burnham	2:16.43m	İst	Arsene Chate	2:46.72m	5th
800m	Alejandro Maria Besora	2:45.67m	9th	Arsene Chate		
	Luke Clifford	1.5m	4th	01: 0 6	1.2m	5th
High Jump	Shin Kawagoe	1.3m	Hth	Oliver Bearcroft		
•	Emmanuel Bawa	5.73m	İst	44000044400400	4.54m	3rd
Long Jump	Theo Wong	3.98m	10th	Harry Heming		
	Mosope Oyemade	10.58m	2nd	DID HOT COMPETE	N/A	N/A
Triple Jump	Jago Goodsell	7.05m	Hth	DID NOT COMPETE		
24.0	Arthur McKay	6.6m	10th	S SWEET	6. lm	6th
Shot	Matt Whiteley	6.9m	8th	Ben Whiteley		
Javelin	Finn McKeown	22.8m	7th	O OFFICE AND ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PR	12.38m	6th
	Edward Rowell	13.82	l l th	Lucas Jayaraj		
	Emmanuel Bawa		6th	Barley O'Conor		5th
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	Year 9	Time	Place	Inter (year 10)	Time	Place
Hurdles	Harry Doe	14.27s	2nd	Will Rennie	18.23s	3rd
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1500m	Daniel Li	5:18m	İst	0	5:48m	5th
	Herman Ris	7:25m	Hth	Oscar Fox		
	Felix St John Parker	51.66s	7th	James Hall	1:10.19m	4th
300m/400m	Samuel Lee	53.52s	9th	james Hall		
200	Isaac Lee	30.01s	5th	Alvaro Perez Ruiz-Esteller	28.84s	320
200m	Ethan Ajikobi	37.86s	Hth	Alvaro Perez Kuiz-Esteller		4th
100m	Daniel Li	13.42s	5th	PI 0'C	11.90s	2nd
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	Rowley Emus	2:25.91m	2nd	Upon Upon	2:22.43m	2nd
800m	Jack Carr	2:34.02m	3rd	Harry Heming		
	Harry Doe	1.3m	4th=	PIO'C	1.5m	4th
High Jump	Daniel Li	1.3m	4th=	Barley O'Conor		
	Isaac Lee	4.03m	5th	DID NOT COMPETE	N/A	N/A
Long Jump	James Mattison	3.39m	9th	DID NOT COMPETE		IN/A
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Triple Jump	Felix St John Parker	8.46m	4th	yvillam Kennie		lst
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Samuel Lee



























































House Squads Result



For most of my tenure, Covid and year group bubbles have impacted the ability of vertically integrated groups to interact and compete, it is nice this year to have some more 'squad'-based activity. It is true that the boys do not yet identify with their groups (or always know what group they are in), but as we continue to do activities in these groups and when reward dinners are able to take place, I hope momentum will gather. For the benefit of new arrivals to the house, I am keen to help maintain the strong community feel in Gonville by getting the boys to socialise, compete and acknowledge excellence in vertical groups. These are randomly selected when a boy enters the house and they will remain in this group for the duration

of their stay at Eastbourne. The current 'squads' are as follows:

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Oyemade	Keung	McKay	Houben	Tarpan	Campbell	Goodsell	Wong
Burnham	Whiteley, Matt	Dinh	Nagata	Lo	Harding	Zhang	Rowell
Clifford	Hutton	Flint	Bawa	Maria Besora	Geddes	Kawagoe	McKeown
Chate	Daniels	Ritterbusch	Du Feu	Van de Ven	Liu	Makarov	Crowther
Rennie	Stephens	Woodall	Jayaraj	Bearcroft	Whiteley, Ben	Perez Ruiz Esteller	Yao
Ajikobi	O'Conor	Hall	Carr	Heming	Mattison	Prescott	Fox
	Ris	Lee, Isaac	Li	St John Parker	Doe	Emus	Lee, Samuel
MTH	ACE	EHW	PRC	IPS	EMWD	LRG	PJF

As always I combined the academic efforts of each pupil with how considerate they were around the house (tidy, polite, punctual) and how involved and successful they were in activities. The scores for the Lent and Summer terms were as follows:

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O	440	1
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İ	369	6
L	309	8
LL	316	7
E	433	2

Congratulations to the winners - 'O'.

Those returning in September can expect a celebration dinner.

VALE

We say farewell to a number of staff this year. While there are big shoes to fill, I am excited about the new team taking shape next term. We wish the following all the best for their next challenge:

Alex Eadon: A duty tutor since his arrival in 2015, Alex has been an influential member of the house team who brought the very best out of the boys in the house. Year 9 and 10 will be relieved that their phones are easier to get hold of on a Wednesday evening, but we will miss his professional optimism in evaluating our house singing and A Cappella entries, his amazing accompaniment in house concerts and his willingness to get stuck into house life. It is a shame he can't be there to get his winning 'squads' reward dinner, but I promise to eat it in his honour. He leaves to become Director of Music at KES Southampton.

Lara Garrett: A stalwart in the house, latterly as a duty tutor, Lara has brought calm and class to the corridors of Gonville. The boys will miss her willingness to help with all English-based exam concerns and personal statements. She trades in her delightful pastel pink for the brutish green of the 'other boarding house'. We wish her well in her new resident tutor role.

Ethan West: It is a great shame to lose Ethan so soon, but he heads off to Clayesmore to further his career with our thanks. The kindest, most supportive and willing resident tutor a hsm could ask for, Ethan gave up huge amounts of time to the boys and was a real constant in the house.

Helena Sundstrom: Helena was wonderfully uncompromising when it came to courtesy, cleanliness and politeness, but the boys could not fail to see the care she took to enhance and support their lives at Eastbourne. Always on hand to offer help, advice and logistical support, like any great matron does, Helena set herself apart with weekend badminton challenges, the creation of a house council, opportunities to learn letter writing and ironing and, most notably, by driving the charitable endeavours in the house. She will be hugely missed and I wish her well on the Isle of Wight.

Matthew Campbell: Gonville's Steph Curry leaves with a largely undefeated basketball record, including the most recent instalment of the house competition. Notable for his patience and kindness towards the younger folk in the house and a refreshing ability (and willingness) to be honest in his assessment of a situation (or a school rule). We wish him luck as he heads into the hospitality sector.

Jago Goodsell: School rather interrupted Jago's daily 12 hours sleep and required a little more effort than he would ideally go for. That said, he must be the nicest ever Gonvillian despite this annoyance. He went undefeated on the squash court for the College, but was beaten 9-0 by a 14 year old in house in the house selection competition. Despite this he rose to the challenge and brought home the Meek Cup for the house.

Joshua Harding: Poor Josh had to wait until Christmas to arrive from Singapore and then arrived at his new school for a few hours before lockdown in January 2021! Very focused on his work, it was fun to see him come out of his shell at times - notably his turn as Asamat Bagatov in the house concert. Josh always had excellent excuses (always just plausible enough) and, possibly, needs a lesson in how to use a microwave.

Nils Houben: A rare breed of Eastbournian who has sampled more than one house, Nils began in Wargrave in year 9, popped back to Germany for year 10 and then returned in pink for the last three years. He owns about 50% of all the Yeezy's ever made (or so it appeared) and was notable for spending 60% of every games session adjusting his goggles and not swimming! Nils is not a morning person, but even on the coldest and wettest day his broad smile was never far from the surface. We wish him well in his studies in The Netherlands.

Herbert Keung: Sensational with the French Horn or the Piano, Herbert has grown from a year 9 that missed every choir rehearsal into one of the most reliable and giving pupils in the school. Nothing is too much trouble - even the poisoned chalice of preparing and rehearsing the house song or A Cappella. We wish him well in Cardiff and hope he will come back to see how we cope without him.

Arthur McKay: A wonderfully driven and caring Head of House who gave huge amounts of time to the house concert, charity and house competitions. In house, he will be remembered to for his Robocop gym get-up, his drum & bass fuelled power naps and his rollercoaster of a speech at the Christmas dinner. I am certain he will be working on something I can't understand in a matter of weeks and we wish him well at Southampton - if he manages to survive his high speed cycling I am certain he will go far.

Yuki Nagata: Among the most focused and driven young men I have met, Yuki found great success in the academic sphere and heads off to apply to study in his native Japan. That said, Yuki was some athlete when he let himself loose on the sports field. In particular, his dodgeball prowess was something, but he also was more than useful at badminton, basketball, football and swimming. We will miss his guitar in the house band and his generous spirit.

Mosope Oyemade: Mo grows closer and closer to the rim and, I hope, one day soon will be able to dunk a basketball. Reliable and loyal, Mosope impressed in the 6th form with his endeavour and his willingness to get stuck into house events. Was incredibly brave in the paintball, but got peppered for his troubles. He has a wonderful sense of himself and a clear path he wants to follow. I have no doubt that he will find success in Birmingham in the coming years.

Yan Tarpan: Incredible fortitude through some trying circumstances has seen Yan consistently pleasant, mature and caring. He has yet to fully discover his own capabilities, but I do not doubt his ability if he is passionate about something. We wish him well in the coming years and hope he gets to return to a peaceful Ukraine in the near future.

Matthew Whiteley: Compère beyond compare, Matthew has consistently chatted and entertained his way through the sixth form. Willing to get stuck into whatever was required, whether shot-put or touch rugby, he was often more effective than he realised. We will miss his jazzy sax in the house concert and wish him well in his studies down the road at Sussex University.

Theo Wong: An impressive young man to complete four A Levels to a high standard while also giving lots of time to his basketball and his friends, Theo is clearly efficient and driven. He is also a master of the innocent "I didn't realise that rule" ploy, which he deployed a few times over the years. Overall, though, the house has lost one of it's mainstays as he leaves a hole in house sport, house band and leaves at least two lower school basketball enthusiasts without a hero!

Wilson Zhang: One of the most reliable and giving young men to have graced Gonville, he has juggled incredibly hard work and high attainment with charitable endeavours, helping others and (the odd bit) of house sport. House concert and other events would not have happened without his tenacity, patience and good humour. Able to find positives in even the most wretched news, Wilson has all the tools to do us all proud at Imperial. Who will now bring me a de-stressing tea (I think it was Jasmine) at the height of pre-Christmas report writing?

Elias Ritterbusch: As always a year is too brief, but Elias certainly did a lot. Academically impressive, he also wielded his flute with aplomb in the orchestra and jazz band (not keen on a Ron Burgundy jazz flute sketch at house concert though, sadly). Tactical timing of arrival in the dining hall to maximise chance of seconds was to be admired. We wish him luck with the 6th form in Germany

Oliver Rose: Having spent much of year 9 and 10 at the top of the house ranking for lateness, Oliver's renaissance this year has been wonderful to see. He prepared well for his exams and we hope all is as it should be in August. He heads for a new challenge at Bede's and we look forward to staying in touch and to his return for the odd basketball fixture. He had a flair for the dramatic both in the theatre and, at times, in the corridors of Gonville.

Alvaro Ruiz Pérez-Esteller: Like his brother Lucas, Alvaro has been a huge asset to the house for his year with us. Very popular with his peers, Alvaro was happy to get stuck into most activities, although he was a careful paintballer and a reluctant singer. He no longer has the threat of Matron's scissors and can grow out his barnet as much as he wishes!

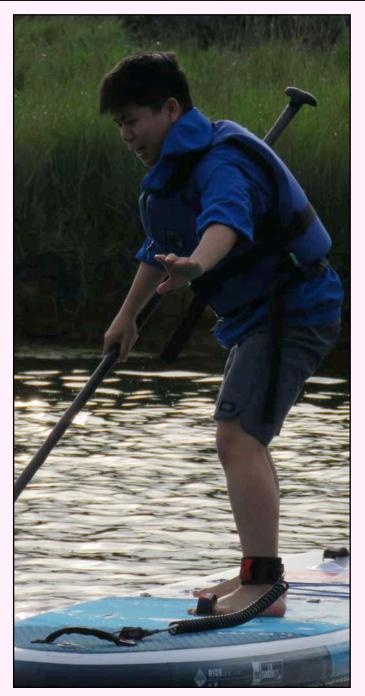
As always it is sad to see people leave, but I look forward to hearing their news in the future and also am excited about the 19 new pupils and seeing where their school experience takes them.













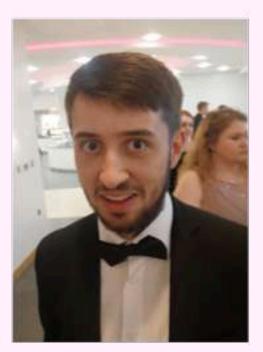






















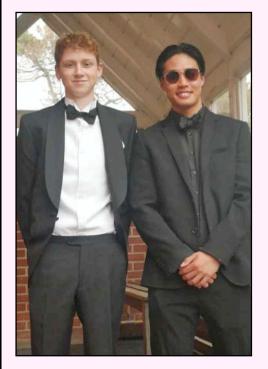




















































































































Food for thought for the holidays:

If the boys need something other than sunshine to keep them going over the summer, then they could always have a crack at one of the Headmaster's Challenges (further details on email from school on 7th July):

- 1) Academic Challenges:
 - 1) Immerse Education Essay Competition
 - 2) MASSOLIT-style video lecture
 - 3) Book review

Details for all three challenges are on the email.

2) Creative Challenge:

The Art Department invites pupils from any year group to produce an artwork in any media exploring the theme 'From A Place of Love'. This theme is inspired by a recent Tate Exchange and UK Black Pride project. This challenge is all about sending a positive message. You can interpret the theme in any way you choose. Maybe your artwork could be about / for a person you love or care about; you could respond to a place you love; or perhaps you might use your artwork to express how much you love drawing or painting or your passion for a particular hobby / interest; you could also use your artwork to send a message of love and support to a marginalised group or people going through a difficult time.

You may work at any size, in any materials you like. Submit an image of your work via Teams / email to Ms Greenwood by I September 2022. You should write a short statement explaining the idea behind your piece. You will need to bring the physical piece of work into school during the first week of term. **Art scholars (current and incoming) will be required to submit an entry to this project please.**

3) Reading lists:

For those about to start or continuing A Levels, I would encourage them to look closely at the subject specific reading list attached to the same email from the College (7th July).

All that remains is for me to wish you all a fabulous summer break. I look forward to seeing you all on the 31st August with, I hope, sensible haircuts and excitement for the challenges that next year will bring. To those leaving us for good; be yourselves, be ambitious and be in touch!



