Watt House Newsletter

In humanitate robur



Summer is here (finally)!

This has been another wonderful term in Watt House, with the girls shining in all the different areas of the College. They have joined in with numerous internal fun events, as well as the inter-house ones and they ended the year by winning the big Sports Cup on Speech Day. What a wonderful surprise that was, yet thoroughly deserved too. So many of the girls volunteered to run, jump, kick, hit, debate, row and throw this year, that every single one contributed to the win, which makes it all the more special.

The house is full of lovely, kind girls and they really do look out for each other, across the different year groups. From bracelet making to assassins, there have been lots of opportunities for fun and chat and they have embraced these whole-heartedly. The house is a very happy place to spend time in and I really do thank them and the wonderful team of Watt tutors for that.

DEPUTY HEAD OF HOUSE



Emily Finch

HEAD OF HOUSE



Sophie Fellows

HOUSE PREFECT



Tilly Chapman (& Head of School)

HOUSE PREFECTS



Daisy Barrow & School Prefect



Alice Caroe



Kitty Hill

PEER LISTENERS



Sathana Ramasamy



Flo Garvey

Sports Day

What a wonderful afternoon it was, with the sun shining and the girls too. It was great to walk around and see them dressed in their yellow tops, taking part with big smiles.

There were numerous wins, so well done to all who ran, jumped or threw their way to victory, but well done too to those who hobbled over the line in last place. Just taking part was the most important part of this day and a particular well done and thank you must go to those who stepped up and ran events which they were absolutely dreading, but they did them anyway for Watt. Stars one and all!

The recently made banners and banana suits were a real success and the girls all walked round cheering and supporting each other, which really helped I am sure as the distance runners struggled through a strong headwind. There was lots of excitement all day, but particularly in the senior relay, as Poppy T pinned her ears back and absolutely refused to let the School House runner overtake her on the home straight. Those extra points probably made the difference between us coming second and winning the House Cup!







House Sport

There have been various other events this term where the girls have had the opportunity to be competitive against the other houses. There has been golf, separate Year 9, 10 and senior tennis, as well as Year 9 & 10 cricket. All the girls who took part have done the house proud with their enthusiasm and determination to do their best and there were many close matches, with several wins. As ever, I am just delighted to see the girls putting their hands up to compete and then keep smiling throughout! All the 9s and 10s played in the cricket, so all 42 played their part in earning points towards the House Cup win. Amelie and Eleanor also won the girls house golf. Yay!



Music & Drama

This term we have had: the Young Musician of the Year vocal and instrumental finals, the Year 9 Concert, A Night at the Musicals, the Summer Concert, the Jazz Band/Singer/Songwriter evening at the Bandstand and the Dell Play, amongst many other things. Every evening was a delight.

The standard of the music in the College is incredibly high, as I am sure you will agree having listened to the Symphony Orchestra on Speech Day and I often wish these talented musicians were able to 'show off' a little more throughout the year. The Singer/songwriter/Jazz Band evening at the Bandstand was as enjoyable as ever, with a wide range of music on show. Performing in public like that must be daunting, but everyone looked so confident. Well done to the girls for making it such a fun evening. Isla, Xanthe, Alice and Ella really were brilliant.

The YMOTY vocal finals were an exceptionally high standard again this year and any of the Watt girls could have walked home with the prizes, so good were they. Sadly, for the girls, the boys won all the categories, but to be fair, they were rather brilliant too. Well done to Alice Y, who won the senior category of the YMOTY instrumental finals, as well as the duet category and then was crowned the overall instrumental winner for the second year in a row. Amazing!

The Dell Play, 'The Good Doctor', was excellent. Very funny too. Well done to Alice and Tilly for helping to make it such an enjoyable show.



House BBQ

The House BBQ is always a lovely event and this year was no exception. We were also very lucky with the weather, as it has not always been easy to plan outdoor events this term!

The girls started with games of rounders on College Field, followed by a BBQ in the garden, where the fun plate awards were given out. These are all nominated by the girls themselves and include such worthy achievements as: 'the girl who spends 6 hours a day on Instagram'. We also award the Watt Cup to the girl who truly embodies the spirit of the house and the 'Mini-Watts' for a girl in each year group who also stands out from the crowd as someone willing to put their hand up and volunteer, as well as being extremely kind and caring. It is always very hard to find just one recipient in each year group and this year was certainly no different. The Mini-Watts this year were won by: Anjali Pal, Heidi Muckle, Poppy Campion, Kitty Hill and Missy Richardson. The main Watt Cup winner was Sophie Stevens.

As ever, a big thank you goes to the tutors for all of their help on the evening, all the girls for clearing up so beautifully at the end and entering into the whole spirit of a fun event and to my husband for doing the barbecuing so well. This year there was plenty of food and the brownies were delicious and lasted about 30 seconds (unlike last year's vegan offerings, which were like dry soil)!







House Life

This term, the house has been buzzing, with some end of day fun, Feast Fridays, badminton in the garden and of course, several trips to the beach. There has been much giggling, in amongst the hard work, as well as chess, Chinese Chequers, pebble painting and colouring in the common room. The girls have been on really good form and when the sun has shone, their faces have been even brighter and happier and it has been great to see the beanbags out and the girls relaxing (or shrieking) outside.









Year 13 Leavers

It is always sad to say goodbye to the Year 13s as they go on the next stages of their lives. This group of girls have been gentle, kind and supportive throughout their time here. They have also been lots of fun and they have been fabulous role models for the younger years. Next year sees them all going in completely different directions, which shows that although they have worked well as a group, they have also been true individuals and unafraid to follow their own paths. I wish them the very best of luck and thank them for all they have done to make the house a happy place.



Individual Successes

End of Year Class Effort Awards

Year 9 Elizabeth O'Sullivan : Biology, Art, Music, Maths & Geography

Marla Walker-Rhymes : Geog, Textiles, French, Chemistry & English

Eleanor May : Art & History

Saffie Polok : Geography & Textiles

Izzie D'Abbraccio : English & French

Daisy Robinson : Art

Ava Williams : Physics Isla Kuchta-Paul : Biology

Annushka Birch : German Miki Chae : Spanish

Anjali Pal : History

Year 10 Polly Hecks : History, Latin & English

Heidi Muckle : Biology, Spanish & Chemistry

Emily Burke : Drama Isla Heath : English

Rosie Hoskinson : Geography

Sophie Imison : Physics
Isla Jourdain : Dance
Ella Quigley : Biology

Imogen White : Art

Year 11 Kristiana Bailey : Dance

Year 12

Humreen Ellens : Biology

Nessie Miller : Chemistry

Lucy O'Hara : Biology

Mia Taylor : Art

Daisy Dunkley : Art

Emily Finch : French

Ella Horne : Music
Sathana Ramasamy : Chemistry

Year 13 Callie Gent : Chemistry & Maths

Grace King : English
Ella Stevenson : English
Sophie Stevens : Spanish
Alice Younger : English

Subject Commendations

Anjali Pal

Xanthe Lawson

Headmaster's Award

Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Colours

Half Colours: Daisy Barrow : Drama

: Tennis

Sophie Fellows : Tennis

Sophia Marshall : Photography

Full Colours: Missy Richardson : Art

Sophia Marshall : Drama

Music Awards

Ella Horne : Grade 3 Piano with Distinction

Sophie Fellows : Grade 7 Piano with Merit

Xanthe Lawson : Grade 7 Singing with Distinction

Alice Caroe : Grade 8 Singing with Distinction

Bronze Arts Award

Rosie Hoskinson

Emily Burke

Amelie Knight

Gold Arts Award

Missy Richardson

Hannah Sewell

Liv Reade

Trinity Musical Theatre Awards

Ava Williams : Grade 5 with Distinction

Daisy Robinson : Grade 6 with Distinction

Lucy O'Hara : Grade 6 with Distinction

Poppy Campion : Grade 6 with Distinction

Ruby Mills Kennelly : Grade 8 with Distinction

Notable Show Hsms & Praise

| Show Hs | ms | | Praise |
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| Year 9 | | | |
| Izzie D'Abbraccio | : | 11 | Elizabeth O'Sullivan : 14 |
| Ava Williams | : | 9 | Isla Kuchta-Paul : 14 |
| Marla Walker-Rhymes | : | 7 | Miki Chae : 14 |
| Year 10 | | | |
| Ebony Aloof | : | 7 | Amelie Knight : 10 |
| Isla Jourdain | : | 6 | Laila Rajwani : 8 |
| Sophia Pennington | : | 6 | Emily Burke : 7 |
| Year 11 | | | |
| Jessica Moore | : | 4 | Lucy O'Hara : 2 |
| Humreen Ellens | : | 3 | Jessica Moore : 2 |
| Year 12 | | | |
| Sathana Ramasamy | : | 10 | Daisy Barrow : 4 |
| Kitty Hill | : | 8 | Alice Caroe : 4 |
| Alice Caroe | : | 6 | Ella Horne : 3 |
| Year 13 | | | |
| Callie Gent | : | 5 | |
| Alice Younger | : | 3 | |
| Hannah Sewell | : | 3 | |
| Grace King | : | 3 | |
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End of Year & Speech Day Prizes

Year 9

Ava Williams : C Kirk-Greene French Reading Prize

English & German

Delilah Medlycott : French

Anjali Pal : Greek Achievement

Eleanor May : Philip Matthew Biology

Year 10

Nikol Saveleva : Dance
Isla Jourdain : Drama
Gaby Pacheco-Lagoda : Spanish
Rosie Hoskinson : Textiles

Year 11

Humreen Ellens : EC Prize for the Outstanding Academic Performance in Year 11

Lily Michaelides : Andrew Downes Junior English Prize for Language

GG Mohring Junior German Prize

Junior Latin & Rex Colgate Junior Biology

Jessica Moore : Junior Dance & Junior Spanish

Poppy Campion : Junior Drama

Year 12

Xanthe Lawson : EC Prize for the Outstanding Academic Performance in Year 12

Blackburn Senior Singing Scholarship

Emma Birch : English Literature

Kitty Hill : Biology Ella Horne : Music

Year 13

Alice Younger : BM Oman Senior Latin Prize

Waterfield Senior Music Prize

RW Nicholson Instrumental Prize

Hannah Sewell : Lord Hyndley Senior English Prize

RD Macklin Senior History Prize

Peter Copp Senior Prize for Spanish

Olivia Reade : Nelson Helmsley Senior Textiles Prize

Pottery Prize

Leticia Nare : Gubbins Senior Drama Prize

Kayla Ginger : PG & DG Gilbert Memorial Prize for achievement in Girls' Sport

Poppy Thomas : Senior Physical Education Prize

Some Dates for the Diary

Thursday 15 August : A-level Results Day

Thursday 22 August : GCSE Results Day

Tuesday 27 August : Staff INSET Day Wednesday 28 August : Staff INSET Day

House open all day for present pupils to drop off kit / books

Thursday 29 August : Michaelmas term starts. Registration at 8.20am.

Friday 30 August : Whole House ice-creams on the beach : 4.30pm - 6pm

Wednesday 4 September : Whole House Quiz Night : 6pm - 7pm

Saturday 7 September : Year 12 Welcome Dinner

Thursday 12 September : Whole House Fish & Chips on the beach : 6pm - 8pm

Sunday 15 September : Watt House Charity Colour Run : 9.30am

Wednesday 18 September: 1/2 of Year 9 & 10 Mug Cake Making: 6pm - 7pm

Friday 20 September : Year 13 Parents Meetings

Saturday 21 September : Exeat Weekend

Wednesday 25 September: 1/2 of Year 9 & 10 Mug Cake Making: 6pm - 7pm

Tuesday 1 October : Whole House Movie Night

Saturday 12 October : Whole House Watt & Powell Dinner : 7pm-9pm

Thursday 17 October : House Steeplechase AND Inter-house Singing Competition

Friday 18 October : Year 12 Parents Meetings

Saturday 19 October

to : Half Term

Monday 4 November

Thursday 21 November : Year 9 Drama Performances

Friday 22 November : Year 9 Parents Meetings

Saturday 25 November : Exeat Weekend

3 - 7 December : College Play - 'Blue Stockings'

Wednesday 11 December: Whole House Christmas Party: 6pm - 8pm

Thursday 12 December : Carol Service for parents and visitors

Friday 13 December : End of term - 3.45pm

