



WESTSIDE STORY



As always, it is staggering how quickly this term has gone. However, unlike in previous terms, this is not really a good thing for me. At the start of the year I was 4 months away from the London Marathon and now there is less than a month. The realisation is dawning that I am going to be putting my body through all kinds of pain! Anyway, this has been a very busy and full on term and I wish everyone a relaxing break. As for me, I will be out running as much as I can. Best wishes, Mr Pitteway

CHEQUE PRESENTATION CEREMONY



Student fundraisers from WGW meeting representatives from the C Group charity along with MR Green to hand over the cheque.

In line with fundraising in previous terms, last week boys in Walled Garden West handed over a cheque for £1600 – the results of all our fundraising last term to representatives from the C Group. The boys and staff raised the money through a combination of charity runs, bike rides, film nights and a whole house fancy dress walk. Receiving the cheque were Sharky Ward OBE (Director of Operations for the charity) and Tom Wilson (Chairman of the charity). The House were presented with a Limited Edition Print of the Royal Marines in action which will be framed and hung up in the House. Present in the photo are House Prefects and some of the boys who worked the hardest to raise this terrific sum of money.

TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT



An early round match between Kakha and Ashen

Getting through over 40 matches was always going to be a tough ask this term. It was made all the more difficult when we took delivery of a major distraction – a table football table!

However, we have played the majority of games now and only have the semi-finals and final to play when we return. Congratulations to all those who took part in the tournament (well over 90% of the House). The two semi-finals will feature Nick Frost vs Matt Yeates in one game and Ed Hansell vs Lewis Sampson in the other. It has been a terrific competition though and most of the games have been very close.

MATT KOURIS



Matt Kouris with his trophy

Matthew Kouris was recently awarded the Robbie Keast Bowl – for the Hampshire Schools RFU

Player of the year. Matt joined us this year and has been instrumental in helping the rugby team to the successes they have enjoyed. Matt has already represented England at under16 level and also plays as part of the youth set up at London Irish. He has ambitions to make it as a professional – as many of the former winners of this trophy have.

DON'T FORGET NEXT TERM STARTS ON 20TH APRIL

*Based on independent research conducted on behalf of Walled Garden West November 2012

SEAFORD VS STEYNING



Sticking with tradition, we travelled over to Steyning Grammar School earlier this term for another game of football. We took two teams with us (a junior and a senior team). We were very well hosted and, as usual, really enjoyed looking around the school, the boarding accommodation and making use of their sports facilities. However, tradition has it that we tend to lose quite badly to them – and unfortunately, this proved to be the case once again.

FLOWER ARRANGING



Ashen Page showing his feminine side!

As part of this terms fundraising, we decided to sell Valentines roses around the college. We took lots of advanced orders from students, teachers and parents and then ordered 160 flowers. The flowers arrived uncut and we had the task of cutting.

Trimming and arranging. On the day itself, the boys worked tirelessly delivering flowers to their recipients all around the College and also selling all the remaining stock at break and lunch time. Overall the event raised well in excess of £150 for our charity of the term – Whizz-kidz



SEAFORD COLLEGE SUSSEX CHAMPIONS



The winning squad featuring current WGW students Matt Kouris, Greg Firth and Lewis Sampson.

Following on from an outstanding Autumn term of rugby results, for the third year in a row, Seaford under 18s won the Sussex country rugby tournament. They beat a strong South Downs College side in the final 37. As usual, the winning squad featured a large number of both current and former Walled Garden West boys. Congratulations once again to our outstanding rugby stars Lewis Sampson and Matt Kouris. Later in the term both Matt and Lewis were pivotal in helping Seaford get to the semi-final of the National Rugby 7s

MICHAELHOUSE SCHOOL VISIT



Michaelhouse in action

Seaford were fortunate to host one of the most prestigious schools in South Africa this term and to play them at Hockey. Seaford ended up winning the senior game but losing the junior one in two very well contested matches.

In the evening we hosted 14 of their students in West and hosted a five-a-side football tournament for the visitors and the boys in WGE too. As always, the evening was a great success with most of the Houses turning out to either play or support the event.



All the teams together

CORPORATE CHALLENGE



The two teams

A new event for the House. We entered two teams for the Chichester Corporate Challenge this year. This event comprises three runs of between 3-5 km each over a 4 week period. Team times determine the final positions. We came 4th and 22nd!

MAN OF THE TERM



Congratulations to William Salter – our new Man of the Term. William has had an outstanding term coming top of the year for his mocks and excelling in all areas of school life.