



Welcome to the WCGS Sports Newsletter. This is a chance to highlight termly success along with summaries of the year. This has been another fantastic year for sport at WCGS. Well done and thanks to everybody who has helped with WCGS sport this year. Mr D Johnson



Cricket Season Summary

U12 Cricket by Mr B Flook

The U12A's have had an extremely enjoyable and rewarding first summer representing WCGS. Having benefited from a 10-week academy programme from January until April, the U12s won 4 of their 6 opening games under the excellent captaincy of Khrithic with commanding victories over Royal Russell, Ewell Castle, St Joseph's and Kingsdale. However, the U12s came up short against Dunnotar in the Surrey Cup, despite recovering from 0 for 3 to posting 92 off 20 overs thanks to a fine 32 not out from Stefan and 23 from Ralph Dennis. In the Surrey Plate the Under 12's learnt a harsh lesson and were unlucky to lose to Carshalton Boys. There have been a number of positives throughout the season. Daniyal Jamil and Ralph Dennis' opening partnerships have been the key to the U12s successes, with Jamil's forensic technique and his ability to rotate the strike complimenting Dennis' more powerful strokeplay. Batsman of the year Matthew Hodgson hit imperious form in the late season, with a fine 59 against Fisher and 31 against a strong Tiffin attack, which showcased his ability to score all around the wicket. The middle order of Stefan, Khrithic, Yajman, Kailash and Amesh have all demonstrated powerful strokeplay, epitomised by Khrithic's innings against Royal Russell and Amesh's 23 not out off 14 balls against Tiffin. The depth of bowling has also been a huge strength. Emad Atif has bowled some fiery opening spells and added a yard of pace with a re-modelled action as the season has progressed. His opening partner Ralph Dennis has been naggingly accurate, showing a natural ability to swing the ball into the right hander. They have been backed up well by the seam of Matthew Hodgson, Isaac Browne, Khrithic and Kailash and the leg spin of Amesh and Sai and the off spin of Stefan. A special mention must go to Ayush Patel for his incredible improvement and willingness to learn throughout the season. The U12s look forward to next season, where we can build on the successes of this summer and look to push the top sides even further.



U13 Cricket by Mr N Legg

Both teams at U13 level this year have shown great enthusiasm not only when playing but in the dedication to turn up to training. The U13B's they may have only had 3 matches due to weather cancellations but they have always been at training giving Mr Scola a headache as to who to select. They have been admirably led by Nat Cibardo and Charlie Andrews and the team has shown so much promise that next season I am certain a few will press for A team places. The A team led by Matthew Jefferys have also shown a huge progression from last year. Our bowling has got much tighter with Nayan Patel and Athesh Manivannan being very economical with the ball. There have also been patches of brilliance from leg spinner Rushil Parimi who has turned more than a couple of games with his bowling. The teams batting has also improved greatly and has come to our rescue on a few occasions, led by Matthew Jefferys who has scored 3 50s this year and well over 200 runs in total. What has been good is that he has always seemed to get one batsman to stay with him and build a good partnership. Find of the year has to be Nevan Gunawardana who has progressed from the B team to batting 10 or 11 in the A team and bowling a little, to opening the batting and looking more confident each week. Fielding is where we have to work. If the team can improve on their focus when fielding they will develop even further next year and become a real force to be reckoned with. At the time of print the A-Team have just beaten John Fisher a second time this season to progress to the Surrey Plate final. Good luck boys.



U14 Cricket by Mr A Mehta

The U14's started strongly this season, as they won all of their first five matches. The commitment shown during pre-season training by members of the team meant that they were well prepared to take the season on, and this run of results clearly illustrated this. Rohan Patel, Ved Badgi and Kobi Fordyce-Browne have all hit fifty runs in a game this season, with all of them surviving the best the opposition bowlers had to offer, and remaining not out. The pick of the bowlers has been Arjun Bhogal with his consistency of delivery, but the opening attack of Kobi Fordyce-Browne and Blake Husaini have really frightened all opposition they have faced and set the platform that the rest of the innings have been built on. The early winning streak was brought to an abrupt end by Tiffin, who showed some excellent batting and bowling skills to knock us out of the Surrey Cup. We had a great chance to beat local rivals Wilson's this year but after a tremendous performance in the field and with the ball, our batting ultimately let us down, and we crashed to defeat. The highlight of our season was undoubtedly the match against Trinity, and oddly, although we eventually lost the game, the team played exceptionally well. Once again, this was a game which saw some outstanding fielding and bowling to get them all out for just 95 runs. With Freddie Grimwade taking an outstanding catch behind the wickets, it left Trinity at 58 for nine at one stage, but with some excellent last ditch batting they managed to scramble to 95. In response, our opening batsmen struggled to tick the runs off but at one stage, the run rate meant that it looked like we were on track to exceed the target total. However, Trinity managed to get some quick wickets which stalled the chase. In spite of the defeat that followed, this game illustrated perfectly the passion and commitment from the team and it was a real achievement to be in with such a chance of beating formidable opposition. The team recovered from the Trinity match by beating local rivals John Fisher in convincing fashion. They have enjoyed a great run in the Surrey Plate managing to beat Archbishop Lanfranc Academy, Riddlesdown and Rutlish to reach the final. Success in this game would be a fitting end to the season for this side as they have been outstanding throughout, which is shown in their overall win percentage of 70 %. Having played a lot of cricket this year, a much needed rest in the off-season and some further improvements in technical work during the next pre-season will pay dividends in helping the team reach the heights that they thoroughly deserve next year.



COMPLETED HOUSE RESULTS

Rugby

Junior - Woodcote
Intermediate - Woodcote
Senior - Ruskin

Cricket

Junior - Ruskin
Intermediate - Ruskin



Year 7 Manor Trophy

Assault Course
Carew & Woodcote



Football

Junior - Ruskin
Intermediate - Radcliffe
Senior - Woodcote



Basketball

Senior - Carew

Table Tennis

Junior - Radcliffe
Intermediate - Mandeville

Rounders

Junior - Bridges
Intermediate - Ruskin

Cross Country

Junior - Bridges
Intermediate - Radcliffe
Senior - Mandeville

Netball

Senior - Carew

Athletics

Junior - Woodcote
Intermediate - Bridges & Woodcote
Senior - Woodcote
Overall - Woodcote

COCK HOUSE CUP STANDINGS

- 1st Place - Woodcote (138)
- 2nd Place - Bridges (129.5)
- 3rd Place - Ruskin (124)
- 4th Place - Carew (109)
- 5th Place - Radcliffe (107)
- 6th Place - Mandeville (106.5)



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Cricket Season Summary cont.



U15 Cricket by Mr T Collins

The weather has played a major part in the U15s season with training on top of matches having to be cancelled. This has had a knock on affect with the team being able to get their eye in or to allow bowlers to hit their strides. The main highlights of the season have included a battling performance vs Ewell Castle, with Rishi Patel and Faizaan Ahmad both scoring freely before Akhil Raghavan bowled tightly at the start and was backed by all the team in the field. The Surrey Cup came and went with a loss to Trinity but the team bounced back with a narrow victory over Royal Russell, Nikhil Raghavan scored 40 out of the 101 runs that WCGS set the opposition. Daniel Watkins was the star bowler, taking 2 wickets for only 3 runs which helped WCGS win by 5 runs. After Half Term, the U15s beat Wimbledon College by wickets, the star of the show being Ali Bokhari with 51 runs. The season finished well with a dominant 9 wicket victory over John Fisher and then a battling defeat to a very strong Tiffin team. Next year will be tough when it comes to balancing GCSE studies with Cricket matches but Senior cricket will be a great opportunity to develop and bode well when it comes to playing in the Sixth Form.

1st XI Cricket by Mr D Johnson

The 1st XI have had a good season despite the difficulty of trying to get a full side of cricketers organised with exams, university visits and holidays. The season started with a visit to our local rivals Wilson's. Some solid batting from Dinil Kodituwakku and Abhishek Pathak helped WCGS set a score of 118 for the Wilson's team to chase in their 20 overs. With some good bowling from Aneesh Jhalla (12 runs for 1 wicket off 4 overs) the game went right down to the wire but some poor fielding cost us and Wilson's took the win this time. Our second game also ended in a narrow defeat against a stong Emanuel side but special mention must go to Ishaan Shetty whose skill with the bat (46 runs) kept us in the game and nearly got us over the line. The highlights of the season were bowling John Fisher all out for only 25 runs with Nash Mishra getting 5 wickets for only 12 runs, beating the Old Boys by 3 runs in a very close match at the end of cricket week and getting



some revenge against Wilson's by beating them by 18 runs at home during open evening with Kush Bhalla performing brilliantly with the ball getting 3 wickets for only 8 runs in 3 overs. The final stats for the 1st XI this term were played 6, won 3, lost 3. I would like to personally thanks Aneesh Jhalla, Ishaan Shetty and Abhishek Pathak for all of their help with organisation and sharing the captaincy. I would also like to thank all the boys who gave up their time for 1st XI cricket this season.



Cricket Awards Evening 2018

On Tuesday 2nd July WCGS hosted their annual Cricket awards evening and barbeque. It was great to see so many of the students and their parents in the school hall to celebrate what has been a great season of cricket at the school.

Cricketer of the Year - Ishaan Shetty U6RU

U12

Bowler of the Season = A Vijayarajah
 Batsman of the season = M Hodgson
 Endeavour Award = A Patel
 Player of the season = R Dennis



U13

Bowler of the Season = R Parimi
 Batsman of the season = M Jefferys
 Endeavour Award = N Gunawardana
 Player of the season = M Jefferys



U14

Bowler of the Season = V Badgi
 Batsman of the season = A Bhogal
 Endeavour Award = P Bhamidipati
 Player of the season = R Patel



U15

Bowler of the Season = F Ahmad
 Batsman of the season = A Bokhari
 Endeavour Award = A Raghavan
 Player of the season = D Watkins



Table Tennis by Mr G Maric

WCGS table tennis squads have had another brilliant season. We had a clean sweep this year in the South London Leagues with the U13s, U16s and U19s all taking the title of South London Champions. The U13 B-Team also did brilliantly ending the season as runners up in South London League. Congratulations to all boys who have represented our school across all age groups.



In the Jack Petchey Individual competitions, the WCGS boys have again done brilliantly to qualify through South London and play in the Zone Finals at the University of East London.



Ojasvii Borah and Jacob Archer have both won strong ranked tournaments outside of school, and also have represented Surrey Cadet Teams and got promoted to the National Premier Division with their clubs. Krishna Nagarajan won Plate in a prestigious 4 star tournament, which is great achievement.

Tennis Summary by Mr D Johnson

Our U15 tennis team had some fantastic matches in this terms Aegon Team Tennis Schools competition. Despite us rarely being at full strength due to clashes with internal exams the squad of Nikola Milojkovic 10BR, Anirudh Gandepalli 10RA, Robert Parlett 10CA, Akhil Raghavan 10RA, Nikhil Raghavan 10RU, Sai Gandepalli 8RA, Monty Holcombe 7RU and Stefan Kowalczyk 7RU combined to make us very competitive in every fixture. The WCGS campaign started with a very narrow defeat in a sudden death tie break to Royal Russell but the boys bounced back for our second fixture beating Sutton Grammar 8 - 4. We then faced Trinity during our Year 10 exam week, we pushed them close in every game but unfortunately lost 8 - 4. Our final game was against Kingsdale Foundation school, this was again a very close and exciting match that ended in a fantastic 12-10 victory for WCGS.



Wimbledon ball boy by Mr T Collins

8 WCGS students managed to battle through the tough selection process to become Ball boys for this year's tournament. 3 of the boys were new this year and the others were returning as recalls. It was fantastic to see the boys performing so well throughout the competition and they will remember this experience for the rest of their lives. Huge congratulations to Leo Cooper (Yr 9), Alex Bogdanovic (Yr 9), Robert Parlett (Yr 10), Daniel Watkins (Yr 10), Ben Hansen (Yr 10), Shai Yehezkel (Yr 11), Harry Cummins (Yr 11) and Luke Kong (Yr 12).





Rugby League

In June WCGS entered a Year 8 team in to the Sutton Rugby League 9 a-side tournament for the first time. Having limited training and limited knowledge of the rules and tactics of rugby league the boys did outstandingly well beating Cheam, Car Boys, Stanley park and John Fisher to win the Borough cup. This victory meant that WCGS had qualified to represent Sutton at the London Youth Games Finals. Again the boys demonstrated their talent and athleticism beating St Aloysius College and St Thomas More in the morning pool to take them into the main cup in the afternoon. The first school we faced in the final pool was Kingsford School, the WCGS team defended brilliantly against the lightning quick and powerful opposition winning the game by 4 tries to 2. This then set up a grand finale against our rugby union rivals Langley Park. The squad took all they had learnt throughout the day and produced a fantastic attacking and defensive performance beating Langley by 4 tries to 1. This meant that WCGS are the London Youth Games RFL champions.



Pre-Season Rugby

Each Year group will have pre-season rugby training on the dates and times below.

U13s & U14s

Tuesday 3rd September;
Wednesday 4th September;
15:30 – 17:00 @ school

U15s

Friday 30th August;
Monday 2nd September;
Wednesday 4th September;
12:30 – 14:00 @ school

U16s

Monday 2nd September;
Wednesday 4th September;
12:30 – 14:00 @ school

Senior Squad

Wednesday 28th August;
11:00 – 13:00 @ School
Friday 30th August;
10:00 – 13:00 @ School
Monday 2nd September;
15:00 – 17:00 @ School
Wednesday 4th September;
15:00 – 17:00 @ school
Friday 6th September;
15:30 – 16:30 @ School

Athletics Summary by Mr D Johnson

Despite a great deal of disruption due to weather and the changes to internal exam dates the WCGS athletes have still managed to put in some great performances. The highlight of the season as always was the Borough championships, every one of the WCGS boys put in a huge amount of effort and I am delighted to say that at least a third of the students achieved a personal best on the day. The team that did the best were our Year 9's who finished the day joint 2nd with Wilsons. We also improved on our medal totals from last year getting 5 golds, 2 silvers and 5 bronze medals. Special mentions must go to our gold medal winners who were Nathan Aziba (Yr 9 100m), Dan Levine (Yr 9 1500m), David Ologunleko (Yr9 Long Jump), Max Crosby (Yr9 Shot), Noah Findell (Yr7 1500m).

Sports Day Summary by Mr D Johnson



This Year's sports day was fantastic, the effort that all the students and staff put in was outstanding and a true celebration of all that is great about the WCGS house system. We also had 6 school records broken, the new record holders are Miriam Okunola L6WO Girls 200m, Jade Mcfarlane 12 L6CA Girls 300m & Shot, Seb Jensen 9CA Year 6 300m, David Ologunleko 9BR Year 9 Long Jump and the Woodcote girls relay team. The Mackmin Cup for Junior athletics was dominated by Woodcote who won both the Year 7 & 8 competitions. The John Eyles Cup for Intermediate athletics was a much closer affair with Bridges winning in Year 9 and Woodcote winning in Year 10 the houses couldn't be split meaning we had joint intermediate winners this year. The senior competition is always the highlight with Year 11, 6th form girls and boys combining to produce three competitions. Woodcote again dominated winning all three competitions to take the Moriarty Cup and along with it confirm their title as 2019 Cock House Cup winners.



Sporting Excellence Outside of School

A number of WCGS students have had some fantastic sporting successes outside of the school and here are just 4 examples of what our students can achieve when they work hard and really put their mind to something.



Ben Charnock (Mandeville, left in 2017): England Counties U20 Rugby

Huge congratulations to Old Boy Ben Charnock on being selected to tour Romania with the England Counties U20 rugby team in June. He had a very successful trip and managed to grab the starting number 7 jersey and make it his own by the end of the tour. Well done Ben.

Sajjan Selvakumar (Year 8 Mandeville): U13 Shotokan Karate World Champion

In June Sajjan flew out to Slovakia to compete in the World Karate Championships. He performed brilliantly throughout the competition and beat everybody to be crowned the U13 Shotokan Karate World Champion.



Sai Gandepalli (Year 8 Radcliffe): U14 Surrey Tennis & Wimbledon qualifier

Last month Sai played in the U14 International Wimbledon qualifiers and won all three of his matches. This has meant that Sai has made it in to the finals which will be played on the actual Wimbledon Courts in August. Top players from all around the world are going to be playing in the tournament so it will be a fantastic experience, good luck Sai.

Monty Holcombe (Year 7 Radcliffe): U14 Surrey Golfer & 2nd in Surrey Schools Golf Championship

Monty has had a fantastic season of golf so far he represented Surrey in their U14 team and won both of his matches playing against Hampshire and Berkshire at Camberley Heath golf club. He also represented WCGS in the Surrey Schools golf championship and played brilliantly coming 2nd in the Boys Individual Net.



Netball Summary By Miss L Gayle

This term the Netball girls turned out against Greenshaw for the last game of the season and the final game for the upper 6th students. WCGS had saved their best for last and some great play and movement down the court with slick passing proved decisive and WCGS came out on top, winning the game by 14 points to 5. Siobhan Fahy has been an outstanding captain of Netball and supported Miss Gayle in every aspect; her leadership and the teamwork of the departing upper six will be missed special mentions also need to go to Cora Davies and Vivien Tang for their role as Vice Captains. There are lots of fixtures coming up next year and with Jade Mcfarlane taking on the captaincy; it should be another good year for WCGS netball.

