



Virtual Reality

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Some people might think that during pandemic times we have all had enough of living a virtual existence- but the arrival of a flight case containing a set of VR headsets produced great excitement at HQ this week.

Through the power of 3D graphics the boys were transported to an amazing set of destinations in both space and time. Experiences included the National Parks of America, Ancient Egypt, a Kenyan Safari and the WWI trenches at Ypres.

Hopefully this made up for the relative lack of expeditions over the last couple of terms and many thanks to the boys' teachers for being their guides.

Some feedback from the 'journeymen' is given below

"I really enjoyed the VR because we got to see amazing things that we don't usually see." Ethan in Year 5

"I felt amazed, it was a new experience for me." Charlie in Year 2

"Because we haven't been able to go abroad, it was nice to see some places from around the world."

"Looking through the eyes of soldiers really showed us how the world was." Alex & James in Year 6

"It felt like we were flying over Belgium, it was amazing!" William T in Year 5

"It was a great different way of learning something in a new world" Thomas and Ernie in Year 6



'A little non-sense now and then, is relished by the wisest men'. On one of their adventure-filled journeys back from the BofE, Luke, Bron and Theo took inspiration from their surroundings and penned this weird, yet wonderful verse.

A Walk in the Park

Written by: Luke Haarhoff, Bron Singlehurst and Theo Gardner in Year 4

Once I was walking in the park
and saw mutant tigers fighting pillows with sharks.
The sharks were definitely on land, not sand
and the sharks had little legs and one had a hand.
And the tigers were glowing green
like they had eaten magic beans.
The pillows had scary teeth and they had eaten a man called Keith.
And a shark had eaten a pillow called Dweeth,
Who rather liked eating beef.

NOTICES

TYPING'S COOL

The summer half term Typing's Cool touch typing club for 7 - 16's will run from Tuesday 1st - Friday 4th June 2021.

10:00am - 12:15 pm daily at St Luke's Church Hall, Gibbon Road, Kingston KT2 6AB.
Beginners, improvers and advanced learners are warmly welcome.

Cost £160.00 (10% returners, siblings and bring a friend discount).

Child Care vouchers accepted.

Please apply at www.typingscool.co.uk



GAMES LESSONS VENUE CHANGE AND PICK UP.

As you all know sadly for now we won't be at the BofE for the rest of this term. Instead games lessons for Years 3-8 will be at Sheen Common. We are really grateful to our friends at Sheen Cricket Club who have helped us and will be lending us their facilities including the fields, cricket square and cricket nets. So all boys should still get a great deal out of their sports lessons and we can easily walk up to the field.

To maximise games time we are still proposing, if possible, parents collect from the fields for Years 4-8 and new times are;

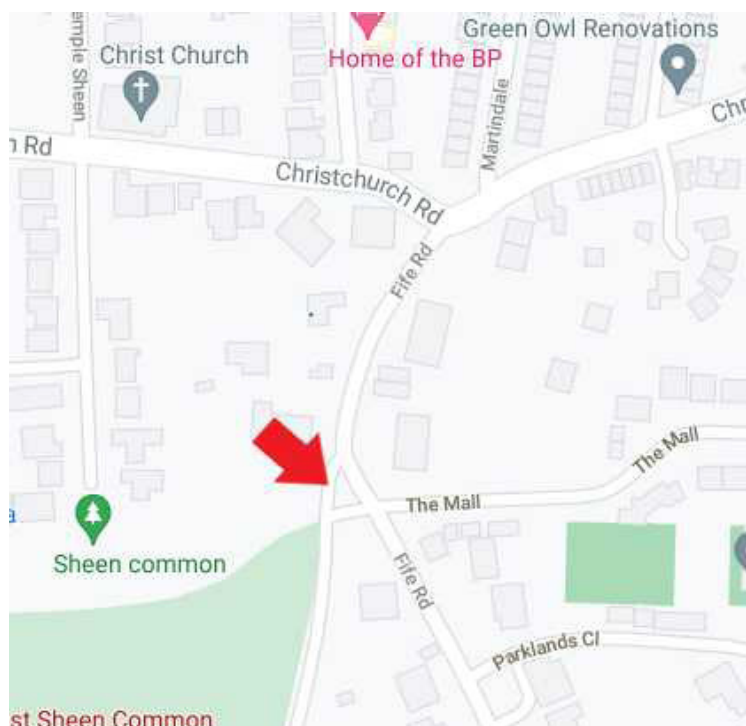
Years 4/5 Tuesday Friday - 3.25pm

Years 6 Monday Wednesday - 3.45pm

Years 7/8 Monday Wednesday - 3.55pm

We ask that parents wait (in the same way as they always have outside the gates for collection from BofE) just by the small island at the entrance to Sheen Common off Fife Road please. (See map)

If parents are unable to collect from here then boys will be returned to school for normal collection time. Matches will begin from next week, please see upcoming events page and I will be writing to parents on Tuesday to explain how these will work in terms of logistics, transport etc.





READING WALL

Review of the week

Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen

I enjoyed that the author had a creative imagination in her repertoire of writing techniques. It gave me a great insight into what Ade - the main character - was enduring.

Submitted by Alf in Year 7

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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| Wed 5th | - | 1st/2nd v Falcons (A)
Pick up from Pools on the Park car park at 4:30pm | 2:30pm |
| | - | U11 A/B v St Philips (A)
Pick up from Barn Elms playing fields car park at 4:30pm | 2:30pm |
| Fri 7th | - | U9 A/B v St Philips (A)
Pick up from Barn Elms playing fields car park at 3:30pm | 2:00pm |

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Gregory Evans, Headmaster



PSHE

As part of the 'relationships' module some of the boys have been discussing online safety in their PSHE lessons this week.

[Thinkuknow](http://Thinkuknow.co.uk) has a wealth of activities and resources for both children and parents for anyone wishing to follow up on this topic.

Please click on the link above to access the website.