



# Coopers School



## An IB World School

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Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and that those students who are studying for their public examinations were able to spend some quality revision time away from the pressures of school. A big thank you goes to all those staff who gave up their time during the holiday to provide intervention, catch-up and revision sessions in school. The final count-down has really begun!

We are delighted to welcome the following new members of staff who joined us last week: Mrs Chapman (Vice Principal), Dr Nitescu (Science), Mr Ogunmefun (Business Studies), and Mrs Longmuir (Administration).

We will also wave goodbye this week to Mr Tarrant, and we wish him every success for the future.

### Calendar, Contacts and Parent Events

Please follow the link below to access our events calendar and a reporting cycle overview:

<https://portal.coopersschool.com/CLG/Webdocs/Lists/Parent%20Calendar/calendar.aspx>

### Dates for your diary:

Date	Calendar Item
Wednesday 25 April	LEAP Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 7 History trip to the Tower of London (Mrs Griffiths)</li> <li>Year 8 Maths trip to Rope Runners in Essex (Mr Oyedeji)</li> <li>Year 9 Geography Field Trip to Herne Bay (Mr Suter)</li> <li>Year 11 and 13 Drama trip to "Brief Encounter" at the Empire Cinema, Piccadilly (Ms Stanley)</li> </ul>
Thursday 26 April	Year 7 and 8 UKMT Junior Maths Challenge, 8.30am in the Main Hall (Mr Oyedeji)
Saturday 28 April	Saturday School Session 7 for students registered to attend, 9.00am-12.00pm (Mrs Denoon)
Monday 30 April	WWLT Trustees' Finance and Resources Committee, 5.00pm, Conference Room (Mr Carling)
Wednesday 2 May	Parent/Carer Meeting for Water Sports Trip to Tossa de Mar in July 2018 (Ms Moreno)
Thursday 3 May	The Chislehurst Society Environmental Awards Evening hosted by Coopers School, Creative Arts Block, 6.00pm-8.00pm (Mrs Denoon)
Saturday 5 May	Saturday School Session 8 for students registered to attend, 9.00am-12.00pm (Mrs Denoon)
Monday 7 May	<b>Bank Holiday – School Closed</b>
Thursday 10 May	Year 12 Government and Politics trip to the Houses of Parliament and the Supreme Court (Mr Tagg)

Chair of Governors: Andrew Downes

Senior Vice Principal: Matthew Baker

Vice Principals: Rob Carling | Samantha Chapman | Hazel Hatch | Jane Salt | Niall Toal

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### Coopers School Does Sport Relief 2018 – Mrs Denoon

On Thursday 22 March we opened our House Bake-off Competition. The entries were amazing and they get better every year. I would like to thank everybody that took part in the competition – you are all budding bakers of the future.

The Bake-off was open to all students and staff – Mrs Khoyratee took the Star Baker Prize in the staff category against some stiff competition.

All the cakes were sold for the Sports Relief charity at break time.

And the winners were:



Star Baker Newton: 1<sup>st</sup> place Gabriel Glodenis:

Star Baker Franklin: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Tayah Anthony



Star Baker Wilberforce: 3<sup>rd</sup> place Ben Cooper

Star Baker Pankhurst: 4<sup>th</sup> place Brandon Fiveash



On Friday 23 March the whole school geared itself up, ready to take part in the Sport Relief Mile. We had the honour of being joined for our mile by the students from Marjorie McClure School, and it was wonderful to see the camaraderie between the students all running for the same cause.

It was a wonderful event and we are truly grateful that the rain held off. A huge thank you to the Sixth Form Leadership Team who helped to ensure that the event went as smoothly as possible.

Over the two days we raised a staggering.....



A huge well done to everybody who took part.

## Bexley Civic Awards 2018



We are proud of Mr Hanes, from the Art, Design and Technology Faculty, who was presented with a Civic Award at the Bexley Council Offices in recognition of 30 years loyal service to the Boys' Brigade. Well done Mr Hanes!

## The Brilliant Club Launch Trip – Mrs Moreno



On Tuesday 17 April, I was delighted to accompany some of our Year 8 students to The Brilliant Club Launch Trip at the University of Sussex. Our students had a very productive and fun day at the university where they had the opportunity to learn a bit more about the Scholars Programme they are embarking on during the summer term. They also met their



PhD Tutor who will be guiding them throughout the programme and also had their first Tutorial in a Lecture Theatre. Finally, we were taken on a tour around the university campus where students had the chance to meet some inspiring university Student Ambassadors who showed them around and were happy to answer all the questions our students had. I was very impressed with the maturity, knowledge and behaviour that our students displayed in the tutorial session and during the day. It is amazing to see how, at such a young age, they are already so excited to find out all about university life and the different career paths! I even heard some saying that they were now thinking of applying to this university – this is what I call thinking ahead!

I was also delighted to receive the following feedback from our key contact at The Brilliant Club:



"I hope you and your students really enjoyed the Launch Trip at Sussex today. It was great to see you, and the student feedback was very positive; for example: 'I loved it. I really want to come to this university in the future; I think it's amazing. It was really fun to look around and learn about the French Revolution.'



Students will undergo the remainder of their tutorials with their Tutor at Coopers before their Graduation Trip in early July.

MP for Bromley and Chislehurst, Bob Neill, has already expressed an interest in visiting Coopers to meet our students who have taken part, or who are taking part in the Scholars Programme to gauge impact on student progress. We are hoping to be able to welcome Mr Neill in early July.

## Sports Leaders – Mr Grover

An event was held on Wednesday 28 March where 80 children with disabilities from South East London were invited to take part in an introduction to football in conjunction with Crystal Palace Football Club. CPFC brought their own coaches, but were assisted by Coopers Sports Leaders Dixie Edwards, Lateef Adaja, Oliver Ward, Ellie Sturgeon, Bethan Brewer and Jack Keen. The event had a last minute change of venue due to the rain but the Sports Leaders were not phased. The comments from the staff and coaches were phenomenal, with some of our students being mistaken for Year 11s due to their maturity and ability to help all of the students involved. A proud moment for the PE Department came when the CPFC needed one of our leaders to dress up like Chris the Eagle and interact with the students. Dixie proudly donned the Eagle outfit and worked like the crowd like a professional.



## Enrichment – Miss Donegan/Mr O’Donnell

We run a full programme of Enrichment activities throughout the year and are constantly on the lookout for new and diverse additions to the Enrichment offer. If Parents/Carers would like to contribute to the Enrichment programme for the next academic year, please contact Miss Donegan or Mr O’Donnell for further information [jdonegan@coopersschool.com](mailto:jdonegan@coopersschool.com) / [jo’donnell@coopersschool.com](mailto:jo’donnell@coopersschool.com).

## Year 8 Student Reception Assistants – Mrs Haslam

During the course of the year, all students in Year 8 get the opportunity to undertake the role of Student Reception Assistants which involves helping staff with messages and administration. This is a valuable day for the students to develop their work related and people skills and we are particularly proud of the way Year 8 have been rising to this challenge.

Students to be commended for the period Monday 16 April – Wednesday 25 April are:

Bradley Thomas	Sonny York	Leon Sandford	Lewis Revill
Reggie Rye	James Somerville Cotton	Raihan Malik	Lily Sheaf
Freya Welch-Thom	Arthur Walsh	Oliver Ward	Hugo Webb

## Young Entertainers in the Community Awards – Mrs Denoon

### About the Project

The *Young Entertainers in the Community Awards* is a new annual awards ceremony that recognises and celebrates excellence and the outstanding contributions of young performers in the community between the ages of 8 to 18.

### Aims

The aim is to not only highlight the achievements and hard work of young performers, but to also encourage and inspire more young people in the local community to get involved in performing and in performing arts, and to learn more about the opportunities available to young professionals in the industry.

### History

Its big brother, *The Young Entertainers Academy Awards*, was first staged in 2003 for young professionals already making a name for themselves. Held at the Hilton Park Lane in London, the Awards were supported by TV presenter Denise Van Outen, actress and TV presenter Linda Robson, and the cast of *EastEnders*, as well as by many reputable UK theatrical agents representing young people.

### Past Award Winners

Many Award winners have gone on to achieve great things, such as singer-songwriter Pixie Lott, actor Nicholas Hoult, actor Aaron Johnson, actress Leonie Elliott and West End protagonist Tosh Wanogho-Maud, an ex-student of Coopers.

The Awards organisers are holding a fundraising event on Saturday 21 April at the Mottingham Community Centre, Kimmeridge Rd, London SE9 4EB, including a performance by the amazing Brit School from Croydon, and giving young people and their parents the opportunity to speak with talented performers.

### Parent Forum

Parent Forum is made up of interested parents, and meets once every half-term to discuss matters important to Coopers’ Parents and their child’s education. Meetings are at 6.00pm and normally last approximately 90 minutes. The date of the next meeting will be published in the next newsletter. If you are interested in being a part of Parent Forum, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Denoon at [hdenoon@coopersschool.com](mailto:hdenoon@coopersschool.com).

Yours faithfully

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