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Matrons' Thoughts

1. Clothing

Please restrict the amount of home clothes that your son brings back to school. Space is very limited & there is a wash done on site, so a clothes shortage should never be a problem.

**We always need blazers and ties for our second hand cupboard.
Please donate them when your son needs them no longer.**

2. Bedding

Please remember to bring your own pillows and duvets. We will provide bed linen.

N.B. Please be aware that we only supply one pillowcase per boy for his bedding. If your son brings in another pillow, supply a pillowcase.

3. Labels

Label **every** item of clothing, in **neck**, not bottom of shirts & T-shirts etc., as they come back nicely folded from the laundry. Marking with laundry pen on under wear label or waist band is VERY HELPFUL. Please re-mark sock bags & faded writing. Please only bring ONE mesh sock bag.

4. Tuck

Some of the Lower School have brought in FAR too much tuck. Please only bring in a reasonable amount.

PLEASE, NO FIZZY DRINKS, NUTS (we do have some students who have allergies – it just makes one less 'risk') OR POPCORN. Fizzy drinks can be bought at Gatleys on site. We need to make the boys aware that fizzy drinks are not good for them, because of tooth decay and hyping-up at bedtime.

It is important that the boys fully access the dining facilities & eat a healthy & varied diet. There is always fruit, bread, spread & milk available in the MOABS, should they get hungry between meals or after PREP.

5. Illness

The boys should not ring parents if they feel ill. They should find Matron & she will take, or send them to the Medical Centre. The MC will contact parents & discuss the best plan of action for that student.

6. Medication

ALL 'over the counter' medicines must be handed into Matron. We do not have our own supplies. Matron will keep an accurate record of type, dosage & frequency taken.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS from both Jenny & Sue!

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**We are not always sitting at our desk;
please leave a message and we will return your call ASAP.**

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Summer Newsletter

Housemaster speaks...

The summer term has thundered past with the pace & fury of a Grand Prix, & after a relatively lean spell in the 1st two terms of this year, it was reassuring to find ourselves back on the winners' rostrum in the athletics, golf & two tennis competitions: clearly we are a House that thrives in the sunshine. We also jockeyed hard for position in the two cricket competitions, in the swimming pool & even, for the 1st time, on the croquet lawn so there has been a real buzz about the place. Inevitably though, the focus for much of the House has been on the external exams & the pressures of GCSE, AS & A2 exams have been at the forefront of our minds this term. I'll be keeping my fingers crossed in August for the 63 boys awaiting these crucial results.

It's fitting to look back on what a wonderful year-group the U6th have been & to reflect on the enormous contribution they have made both to the running of the House & the supportive, entertaining atmosphere of East. Now that the dust & roar have faded away, it's impossible not to think back to the joyful exuberant energy of the senior year group & to

hear the sounds of the final role-call echoing in the empty corridors of the House: "Betteridge... Collier... Currie..." & so on, the nineteen names that have played such a pivotal part in the East story for the last five years. It is also right that I highlight the great leadership established by House Captain James Taylor, & Deputies Joe Knight & James Currie. They have been instrumental in the day-to-day running of the House, but have also acted as tremendous role-models for the juniors.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your kind wishes & gifts following the birth of Shivan (opposite). He's still experimenting with his own race orders at present & has settled for the last few nights on a two-stop strategy, to change out of the wets & into the dries & to refuel. Apologies to the boys for my perennial grumpiness after these nights of broken sleep, your unending cheerfulness has made it so much more bearable!

Best wishes to you all. Have a lovely summer!

SDB

Senior Cricket

East's House cricket campaign started off with a superb batting display from the team. Some notable performances were made by William Langmead, whose match winning 78 provided the entertainment, when smashing the sub-standard Cubitt bowling attack. Also some great cameos from 'Chill' Rollings, Callum Preece & Morgan Fletcher provided the team with a huge target for Cubitt to chase down.

The bowling performance was an epic display to say the least. With the cunning slow bowling of Harry Adolphus & the raw pace bowling of Morgan, the wickets started to fall, but only after the easi-

est possible catch was dropped by Henry Lee. After this little mistake, East were immaculate in the field, taking every catch within arms length & fielding everything that came near them. Spectacular bowling displays from JT & Callum Preece, secured East the match & the ticket to the final.

This time the opposition was Loveday, who had played cricket before, unlike Cubitt. We lost the toss & were put into bat on a mine field of a track. CJ once again getting out early for not many, leaving Langmead to reconstruct the innings. Unfortunately we lacked strength and depth in the batting line up



and the wickets started to fall cheaply. The only resistance being Mike Haynes, spanking a few large blows to Duncan Allan's bowling. We had set Loveday a low total to chase. Going out to field with some great enthusiasm & House spirit, East fared well for the first few overs, but after the team realised the inevitable, our heads went down. Despite this there was again some great bowling performances by JT, Morgan & Preecey.

Will Langmead & Christian Jason (LVI)



Golf

As the current champions of the Senior House golf, we had a lot to live up to this year and fortunately we had a team ready to take up the challenge: myself, Alex Betteridge, Mike Holford, J.T, Katz/Rudd. We faced Cubitt in the first round & managed to defeat them 4-1 in a complete demolition of what was first thought to be a strong opposition.

With only the one change in our team, Rudd in for Katz, due to an unfortunate performance in 1st round, we faced North in the final. This turned out to be a much closer match, but in the end it came down to the House Captain's match; no worries, J.T won his match & the competition for us, but as usual it was a team effort, so well done to everyone who played in the competition & winning it for the most deserving of houses.

Mike Haynes (LVI)

Athletics

In the junior boys there were impressive wins from Black, White & Rollings in the 100m, 200m & long jump respectively & our 2 relay teams completely destroyed the other Houses. No-one had a clue what the actual scores were at this point, but it was clear Cubitt, our main challengers & last year's winners, were trailing miles behind us.

However, they caught up with us in the Inter boys competition & elbowed us out of 1st position. We were a mere 2 points behind though, after Harry Adolphus brought home the 800m & Seb Sharp did a 'Usain Bolt' by winning the sprint double of the 100 & 200m.

It was now down to the Seniors to determine whether we would win the competition or not. Collier thrashed all-comers in the shot, while Stilwell won the 800m. Wyndham Wynne was dubbed 'sprint man of the competition' after he powered to victory in the 400m & 200m, as well as superbly anchoring the 4x400m team to victory.

Tennis

With a comfortable win from the Senior Team only a few days before, there were high hopes for the junior team. As we strolled into the arena, there was no way our victory was assured, with each House being competent in ability.

Our first match was against North. Our strong team comprised of players such as Ted Croker (Federer), Giles (Nadal), Henry Lamont (Bjorg) & other top class players; we were sure of a win. As good as our opponents were, our commitment & speed of thought brought us through with a comfortable win. We then came up against a confident, strong Loveday team. With an especially strong performance from Henry Lamont & Ugo McAllister, we cruised into pole position. Going into the final match we were well on course for victory & our final games were not to disappoint, maintaining the high standard we had laid down throughout our previous matches. Cubitt

put up a good fight, but we were just too strong and creative, both mentally and physically.

Overall, it was an all-round excellent performance from the boys in blue. The side was well-led from the front by Giles, and credit must go to all the troopers who played their hearts out for the House.

Giles Rozier-Pamplin, Ted Croker & Henry Lamont (LV)



Will Stilwell (LVI)

The race that everyone was waiting for though was the senior 1500m, as the famous Toooooom Saville was running. He summoned up a great sprint finish & almost snatched second on the line.

Despite the many fantastic victories, the competition, as Mr Bird had wisely predicted beforehand, was always going to be won by the 'also-rans': those who managed to gain vital extra points by coming 2nd instead of 3rd or 2nd last instead of dead last. Great commitment to the cause was shown all round, such as Charlie Cope to name but one example, who gathered himself to run a great 1st leg in the 4x400m relay just after racing in an exhausting 1500m seconds earlier.

Cubitt deputy-house master Mr Wilson did his best to dilute our moment of glory by delaying the final results, but when it was finally confirmed, victory tasted no less sweet!



Junior Cricket

Our first match was against Cubitt, with captain Ted Croker winning the toss & electing to have a bowl first. Two nervy looking Cubitt batsmen stepped out onto the pitch, with Will Rollings marking his run up ready to bowl. Croker gave a team talk that Kevin Pietersen would be proud of & we were straight into action!

In came Rollings to bowl, short pitched & the batsman got bat onto a rapid ball, but an inside edge onto the stumps; a wicket on the 1st ball! Next man in & two balls later, middle stump was out of the ground, 0 runs for 2 wickets! You could hear the frantic heartbeat of the next batsman. Understandably though, within 2 balls the bails were off, 0-3 what a start for Rollings (who took another wicket later on) & East!! Shane Thomson's unusual run up was to follow, but his line & length were superb, with some pace on the ball. Kettle & Selby were to follow in the bowling attack, most likely to be overshadowed by our brilliant openers. But this didn't stop them performing, bamboozling the batsmen & getting 3 wickets between them, minimising the run rate. In the field, Charlie Rennocks, Bruno Broughton & George Black all impressed, taking important catches, as well as a run out from Rennocks. Behind the stumps, Croker was also in great form. Cubitt put on a decent score

though, & now it was our turn to have a bat. Croker hit a stunning 50 not out, leading by example. Rollings, Selby & Kettle also put on a few runs, but we were losing wickets quickly & it was too little too late to change the game by the final ball. A lucky victory for Cubitt by 6 runs.

After our agonisingly close defeat, we faced North in the 3rd place play-off. Again we bowled first, & even the great Michael Burgess was intimidated by the sight of Rollings & Thomson opening our attack. But his 70 was a hard blow to us & we didn't quite spark in our bowling as we did against Cubitt. But we certainly didn't disappoint in our batting! Olli Millward's '20/20' style innings was just as good as the knock by Burgess, making a crucial 40 runs. As did Charlie Moulton, hitting 50 to stun the North bowlers. It wasn't quite enough though & when Moulton lost his wicket, the game went into a controversial bowl off. Kettle stood up, but bowled wide, but wait, an outburst by North's Tom Subba-Row meant that it could be retaken! The look on his face was comical as Kettle hit middle stump. Others missed the stumps, but in came Selby, BANG! 2-0 to East, & the game was won, finishing a solid 3rd overall.

Will Jenkins (LV)

Swimming

The House swimming was always considered an event that we would try hard in, but never succeed. That was until last year when East stormed the pool, taking everyone by surprise. So this year we had no excuses.

A relatively strong start from all age groups meant that at the half way stage we were in second place and an unbeatable intermediate age group, with the likes of Reynolds, Charlton and Gallagher, allowed us to maintain our position for quite some time. Spurred on by the mass of East support crammed onto the poolside, even our new-comers to

the pool proved their place in the team.

Going into the final relays we had dropped to third place however the relays fell in our favour. Coming first in at least three quarters of these team races, showed that East as a House still had presence in the pool and we were not finished yet. A strong finish just behind North (a house with the entire senior swim team) in the final 10x1 relay meant a final position of 2nd.

A strong effort and a promising performance for next year.

C Cope (LVI)



Charity Football

The charity 12 hour football tournament this year was as eventful as ever. Those of us who rose early for the 5am start were reluctant to haul ourselves out of bed, but after arriving bleary eyed at the TASC, the thumping music from the stereo speakers soon got us in the mood for the marathon of football to follow. There was a wide spectrum of talent on show – from the oriental wizardry & tough-tackling Max Konuntakiet, to the hitherto undiscovered gem of Henry Wilson, who was rumoured to have scored his 1st ever goal.

There was little argument that the best team on display had been that of the trio George Black, Ted Croker & Giles Rozier-Pamplin who wowed all watching with their skills, so much so that many of us had no option, but to resort to questionable tactics to avoid total annihilation. Special credit must go to Gabriel Sit & Jake Mounsey amongst others, who somehow managed to play in every match for the entire 12 hours, although doubtless they would have struggled to do so without the steady supply of bacon from Maitlo's BBQ!

Will Stilwell (LVI)

