

Childwall School News

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Dear Parent/Carers

This is the final Newsletter of the **Spring Term 2010**. Parents will be aware that the Spring Term ends on **Thursday 31st March at 3.10pm**. School will re-open to all staff and students on **Monday 19th April at 8.15am**. I fully expect our current Year 11 Students once again to exceed targets for GCSE and indeed to do even better than last year's Year 11 results. It is imperative therefore that all examination candidates but particularly those in Years 11 and 13 are revising thoroughly for the very important public examinations taking place in **2010**.

Parents and carers of Students in year 11 will know that the dates for the Progress File Ceremony and Prom are confirmed as:

Progress File Ceremony 23rd June 2010
Prom 24th June 2010

Let us ensure that both these important ceremonies celebrate the successes of year 11 Students at Childwall Sports College.

Parents will know that our Sixth Form was judged by Ofsted in 2009 to be "outstanding". We have over 300 students in the Sixth Form and plans are well underway for the new intake for the Sixth Form for **September 2010**. Further information regarding courses and how to apply for a place in our Sixth Form is available from Mr Crispin Head of Sixth Form. Parents will be aware that we are working closely with the Primary Care Trust (PCT), Library Service to provide a new "Fiveways Centre" to be built on the Childwall Site and completed by **September 2011**. The Fiveways Centre will provide superb opportunities for us

Sports Relief at Childwall Sports College

Generous staff and students raised hundreds of pounds for Sport Relief through a variety of activities throughout the course of the day. The PE faculty at the Sports College led on a series of activities such as "Beat the Goalie", a dance competition in addition to a basketball competition between staff and students.



to work alongside the PCT and Local Library in terms of curriculum development and extended support for our Sixth Form Students.

Almost four hundred parents/carers chose Childwall Sports College as one of their options for **Year 7 in September 2010**. As always we are privileged to receive students to Childwall Sport College and I look forward to welcoming all those students in Year 6 joining us in September for the Induction Day which takes place on **7th July 2010**.

CHILDWALL SPORTS COLLEGE

**"...ONE OF THE MOST IMPROVED..."
IN ENGLAND**

Recently we held a very successful National Challenge Evening in March for Year 10 students. Also in March we held a highly successful Health Evening in keeping with our Specialist Status for Physical Education in Sport.

Parents will be aware that we run highly successful camps during the holiday periods and a comprehensive programme of activities has been arranged for the Spring Holiday. More information is available on our website www.childwallsc.co.uk.

Multi Million Pound Plans for Childwall Sports College

Childwall Sports College is working closely with Liverpool Local Authority on a multi million pound building development as part of the government's Building Schools For The Future (BSF) Programme. As part of the BSF plan for Childwall the school is working closely with Liverpool Primary Care Trust (PCT) and Liverpool Library Service to develop the 'Fiveways Centre' at the Childwall site. The Fiveways Centre will be completed by the summer of 2011 and is the first part of the schools ambitious plans to develop further the facilities and resources for its students.

Expected outcomes include curriculum links with health, careers, literacy and new diploma qualifications.

I am delighted to be able to inform all Students, Staff, Parents and Governors at Childwall Sports College that we have been identified by the **Specialist Schools and Academies Trust (SSAT)** as "...one of the most improved Specialist Schools in England." To achieve this accolade we have improved our 5 A*-C figure at GCSE by a minimum of 15 percentage points in the last three academic years. I am thrilled to be able to tell all Parents that we have comfortably exceeded this figure. This is a great tribute to the superb endeavours of our Students and the quality of Learning & Teaching at Childwall Sports College. Parents will know that our School goes from strength to strength.

I am delighted to be able to you that Governors appointed Mr J Kerfoot as Deputy Head Teacher following the promotion of Mr Alderman, Deputy Head to the post of Headteacher at St Julies Catholic High School. Mr Kerfoot will take up his position on the **31st August 2010** which is the first day of the Autumn Term.

Parents will know that Childwall School goes from strength to strength following our hugely successful **Ofsted Inspection of 2009**. As always if parents have any concern regarding their children's progress they should in the first instance contact the appropriate Pupil Progress Leader.

I do hope all parents and staff enjoy a restful Spring Holiday. However parents will know examination candidates will need to be fully prepared for the important examinations which will be upon us once we return to school on **Monday 19th April**.

D.W. Phillips



Year 8 Rugby Semi Final

Childwall 24- 34 Canon Slade

The year 8 rugby team were very unlucky not to come away with a victory in this game. After a slow start, Childwall went down 19-0 at the start of the first half; Childwall's formidable running game came into play. Man of the match Hussam Nasr ran through the opposition to score his first of three tries. Harry Brady failed to convert. Canon Slade scored again and left the score at 5-24. Hussam again ran through the Canon defence from half way to score under the posts, Brady converted this time. Half time score 12-24.

Childwall came out all guns blazing in the second half and with a quick try by Jermaine Ogungboro, converted by Brady. Childwall kept the pressure on Canon and scored again with Hussam getting his third try. This left the game at 24-24. Canon Slade's full back then caught a kick from Brady and avoided the rushing forwards, and managed to score in the corner. Canon Slade tagged on another score as Childwall tried in vain to get forward and score. Best for Childwall where, Hussam Nasr, Ethan Pollard, Jermaine Ogungboro and Harry Gagen.

P. Breen

High Flying Geographers at Childwall Sports College

Year 7 students at Childwall Sports College have been undertaking a new Geography project which has seen them link all the Humanities subjects with Art and Design. Students have been studying cultural and economic developments in Brazil and as a result of their research have produced some outstanding coursework to further their understanding of life in some of the poorer parts of Brazil.



The Humanities subjects are extremely popular at Childwall and it is expected that the excellent results will continue with the significant commitment of year 7.

If parents have any queries regarding their children's education they should contact the school immediately.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher

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CSI comes to Childwall Sports College

All year 7 students at Childwall have been through a CSI project arranged by the Science Faculty. Year 7 students worked in groups throughout the day with guidance from the science teachers and using a range of evidence. Students were very keen to find out who had 'murdered' Mr. Samy of the Science department.



During the course of the CSI project the students developed skills of research, group work, problem solving and a range of scientific skills.

Childwall Sports College... "Most Improved Secondary School" Status

Students, staff, parents and governors at Childwall Sports College were delighted to be informed by the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust (SSAT) that due to the school's



continued GCSE success that Childwall has been identified as "One of the most improved secondary schools for 2009/10". This reflects the school's continued improvements in terms of 5 A*-C at GCSE level over the last 3 years. The school has been invited to attend a gala dinner in London to celebrate this superb achievement.

Celebration of Cultures Afternoon

You are all invited to attend our Celebration of Cultures afternoon in the Drama Studio on Wednesday 5th of May 3.30-5-30pm celebrating the different cultures that make up our school. We will have a programme of Poetry and traditional dances from around the world. Students will dance and perform poetry from their home culture wearing traditional dress and will greet you in their own home language. There will be prize giving after the performances, followed by a buffet from various cultures served with drinks.

We are very proud of all our students and the different cultures they come from and would like you to help us, together with all members of staff, to celebrate their achievements with us.

Soroptimist Public Speaking Competition

On Saturday 13th March, Nicole Hindley and Anisa Abdulkadir represented Childwall in a public speaking competition held at Broadgreen High School. The prestigious event saw pupils from some of the best schools



in the city compete against each other. Both Nicole and Anisa were fantastic! Despite the stiff competition, they managed to impress the judges and the large audience of Soroptimist members in the audience. Both pupils were awarded prizes and certificates for their efforts and were assets to the school. Both Miss Kilroe and I were overjoyed with their efforts!

J. Stephens

Dance

We will be holding a Dance Performance on 30th April 2010 at 7.30pm: Tickets cost £3

Please support our students. Tickets are available from the School Office.

Attendance and Uniform

The school is committed to ensuring the best outcome for all of our learners. In order to achieve this end we are working hard to overcome some of the causes of underachievement. Over the summer term we will be insisting on the highest standards of uniform for all students. Students arriving without blazers or appropriate footwear will be detained or sent home. If earphones or mobile phones are visible on school corridors or in lessons they will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day. Furthermore we are working closely with the Local Authority to challenge all instances of non attendance. Please do not let your child miss school unnecessarily.