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Headmistress's Message

I hope you will enjoy reading the final Braeside Newsletter for this academic year. Lots has been going on in school over the last few weeks, and you can read about some of the highlights in this newsletter.

I am very grateful to the FOBS committee for organising our Summer Festival, and to the parent helpers and staff whose help ensured it ran smoothly. Your help was much appreciated and I know all of the families enjoyed it very much.

As we break for the summer, I wish all our families a happy and restful break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school for the start of the Autumn Term on Wednesday 4 September.

Claire Osborn

Headmistress

Year 11 Leavers Dinner

Year 11 Braeside and Normanhurst pupils had their Year 11 Leavers Dinner at Chigwell Hall in June. Pupils had finished their exams and were looking forward to an evening of dressing up and relaxing with their friends from both schools.

The evening started with photos on the lawn and reception drinks in the hall while the DJ started his set of pupils (and teachers) favourite songs.

They had a three course meal that allowed for intervals of dancing and selfies!

Year 11 had photos on their table dating back to their first memories at Braeside which they found very funny and nostalgic. Pupils also used the photo prop area to take fun pictures with wigs and huge glasses. It was a very special evening for everyone!



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Junior First Aid Training

Some of the Junior pupils took part in first aid training this month.



They learnt how to keep a person's heart beating and brain alive by performing CPR and they also had a go at using a defibrillator to restart a person's heart.

These are essential 'skills for life' that the children really enjoyed learning.



Moving Up Day 2019



New Year 7 and 6 pupils came to visit the senior site on Tuesday 25 June. Mrs Osborn, Ms Moon, Mrs Willemse and Mrs Jermutus all met the pupils and their parents in the morning and then the pupils met with their form tutor until break. They then got to sample the extensive tuck menu at break time and play in the grounds with their newly made friends.



They all had a taster lesson in French which was lots of fun– using teamwork to build a puzzle of French terms. Everyone had a great time meeting each other and the staff – it was an enjoyable and happy day!

Year 7 Perform Speeches

Year 7 performed and wrote speeches this half term in their English lessons. They spoke on topics such as climate change, reading, what it is like to be a twin and many other topics.

"It was good fun to perform and it gave me an opportunity to speak to everyone about something I am passionate about" **Rebecca**

"It was a good experience and helped me with my confidence in public speaking" **Emily**

They all performed confidently and expressed their ideas eloquently – well done!



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Social Networking



Website

Go to the School Calendar page for upcoming events and our News page for all the latest news and lots more photos.



App

Keep up to date with the latest news, calendar dates, and much more by downloading the new Braeside School App.



Instagram

Follow us on Instagram for regular photo updates! Search for **braesidesch** to find us and then click follow.



Twitter

Follow us **@BraesideSch** on Twitter to get the latest updates.



Facebook is our newest form of Social Media. Like us on Facebook to get news, photos, events and updates posted straight to your newsfeed.

Sushi For Lunch



Chartwells (the company that provide meals at Braeside) are introducing themed weeks at lunchtime. One of the most exciting was a celebration of all foods Japanese.

Our on-site chef - Steve Shields – created a sushi bar in the canteen. Pupils could order sushi according to their taste and have a sample of different sauces and

some wasabi peas.

Lily in Year 6 said, "I love these Wasabi peas – they are spicy!"

Samantha in Year 9 said, "This is a great idea to try something new", and Simran said, "I am loving this idea of themed food!"



Year 6 Design Board Games

Year 6 pupils have incorporated their knowledge of maths, problem solving abilities and creative skills to design some fun maths games.

Apart from working out how the games had to be played they also had to construct their game boards, work out rules, sanctions and rewards. They all had fun playing it, especially when Mrs Moon joined in.

The pupils all agreed that this was a fun way of developing their mathematical skills through designing their own games and playing them with the other pupils.



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Visit to The National Portrait Gallery

What a fantastic end to the year. Pupils from Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 had the opportunity to attend an extended practice workshop at The National Portrait Gallery.

The workshop included Cindy Sherman's new exhibition which focuses on the artist's manipulation of her own appearance and her deployment of material derived from a range of cultural sources, including film, advertising and fashion. Sherman explores the tension between façade and identity.

Pupils then went on to use this as inspiration in the practical activities.



House Rounders



We have ended the year on a high in PE with two days of Junior and Senior House Rounders.

The pupils once again entered into the spirit of things with lots of support and encouragement for their own Houses.

The scores were high in all matches with some big hitters amongst the teams and there was some great fielding on display.

The Junior competition ended with Nightingale the winners and Bronte were victorious in the Senior competition.

Special mention should go to the Year 5 pupils who played in both the Senior and Junior competitions and really did themselves proud.



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A Final Lunch at the Junior Site



This week the Year 5's had their last lunch on the Junior site. Simone and Vicky treated them to an extra dessert of strawberry cheesecake, which was beautifully presented on cake stands, to wish them luck in the future.



2019 UKMT Junior Maths Challenge - The Results Are In!

April saw some of our Year 7 and Year 8 pupils sitting the Junior Maths Challenge, a yearly paper designed to stimulate mathematical problem solving.

Three students were awarded Bronze: Naomi, Daisy and Rebecca, well done!

Daisy and Naomi achieved joint highest scores and were also awarded 'Best in School's certificates as well as 'Best in Year' certificates.

Rebecca achieved the highest score from the Year 7 pupils and was awarded a 'Best in Year' certificate.

Congratulations to all who took part!



Year 7 Create Clown Puppets

Year 7 have created a clown hand puppet using a range of different three-dimensional construction and textile skills. They started off by making a papier-mâché balloon and then built their puppets up by adding features, then making clothes and accessories. The pupils really enjoyed the process, especially as their puppets evolved and became more human and characterful. Well done, a great job!



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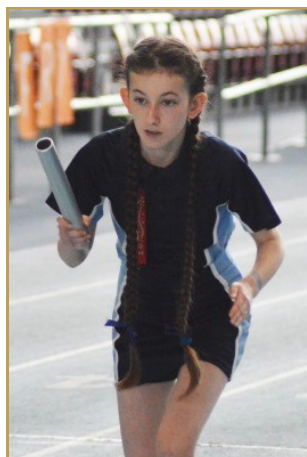
Sports Day 2019

On Thursday 20 June we held Sports Day at the very impressive Lee Valley Athletics Centre. For weeks pupils have been training for the event, and were all very excited to get started. Every single pupil got into the spirit of Sports Day, giving the races and events their all, and supporting their classmates when they weren't taking part.

For the Seniors events included several relays and track events such as the 100m, 200m, 400m and 800m. The Juniors took part in over and under races, sprints, egg and spoon and even sack races.

Although it was a very tight competition, Nightingale came out on top!

Thank you to everyone who came to support and cheer our racers on!



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Year 9 Grow Bacteria in the Laboratory

Year 9 have been growing bacteria in the lab using sterile agar plates. They inoculated their agar plates with their bacteria cultures using sterile technique. Once inoculated, they secured the petri dishes with tape and stored them upside down so that the microorganisms have time to grow and reproduce.

The pupils were excited to know more about how the bacteria are cultured in a research lab. They got the chance to inoculate some clean plates with their own fingerprints. We are looking forward to seeing what grows on these plates!



FOBS Summer Fair

Everyone had a great time at the FOBS Summer Fete on Sunday, held at the Senior Site. Things were a little different this year as there was also a popular talent show in addition to a range of stalls and activities for everyone to enjoy.

Lots of pupils entered, and we had many talents on display such as cheer leading, singing, hula hooping, ballet, magic tricks and more. The crowds of friends and family were all very impressed!

Throughout the event, everyone had fun on the array of stalls which included the ever popular bottle tombola, raffle, lucky dip, face painting and BBQ to name a few. There was even a bouncy castle and bungee run on the playground.

A huge thanks to FOBS for making this event possible.



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Early Years Celebration of the Year

We had a lovely afternoon on Friday 5 July celebrating the many successes of our Early Years children. Kindergarten enjoyed sharing with the audience two poems that they had learnt, 'The was a Wise Owl' and 'Mice', after a lovely rendition of 'Tomorrow' from Annie. Mrs Osborn then presented them all with their certificates of achievement.

The Reception class then gave everyone a lively rendition of 'Rainforest Song' which had the audience tapping their feet, and then impressed us with the retelling of 'Handa's Surprise', complete with actions. They were all very excited to show their parents their work and then collect their certificate.

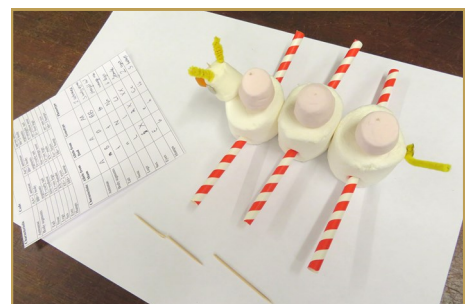
The afternoon was finished off with all of the Early Years singing 'Oh I Do Like To be Beside The Seaside'. What a lovely way to finish off what has been a fantastic year for our Early Years pupils!



Year 10 Genetic Inheritance

Year 10 are on the topic of genetics and evolution. They have been finding out about the differences between asexual and sexual reproduction.

Sexual reproduction results in a variety of characteristics in the offspring due to the mixing of randomly selected chromosomes from the mother and the father. The pupils modelled the effects of randomly selecting alleles from the mother and the father and used a genetic code to determine the characteristics of the siblings that were produced in the class!



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Speech Day and Prize Giving

The marquee was filled with proud parents, friends, pupils and teachers on Friday afternoon for the annual Speech Day and Prize Giving.

This year the guest speaker was Janet Tarasofky, a Women's Empowerment Speaker and parent of a senior Braeside pupil. Janet is an award winning public speaker with a background of 25 years' experience in the customer goods industry. Her speech was fascinating and had the pupils, staff and families completely engaged as she spoke.



A huge selection of prizes were awarded to many pupils, as well as the announcement of the new Head Girl, House Captains and Prefects. There was also a wonderful selection of performances which included 'Havana' by the Senior Fusion Band, 'Ode to Joy' by the Junior Band, some confident LAMDA pieces as well as some instrumental numbers.



A big well done to everyone who won a prize, but everyone should be very proud of their progress this year!

Beauty and the Beast



On the last week of term the Junior pupils transported us to a land of magic, filled with a fearsome beast, a terrible curse and talking furniture. Everything from the set and costumes to the acting was done brilliantly, and it was clear to see that each and every pupil had put a lot of effort into learning their lines and preparing for the show.



The packed audience in the Junior hall cheered and laughed their way through the fun performance, and the children were complimented on their confidence, singing and dancing.



Well done everyone!

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Trip to the London Eye and River Thames Cruise

The whole of the seniors went on an end of year trip to Westminster to take a flight on the London Eye and go on a river cruise.

Pupils took the underground to Waterloo station and walked through Jubilee Gardens to alight a capsule high above London. Many pupils had never been on the London Eye and were amazed it is the world's highest moving attraction. It was a warm and clear day and pupils were shocked at just how far they could see over London.

After an ice cream in Jubilee Park, they boarded a cruise boat and had a guided tour of London from Westminster Bridge to Tower Bridge.



The tour guide was very informative and funny. Simran said, "I have learned so many more facts about London that I didn't know before – thanks Miss!" and Nikki said, "It was really fun to do something with your friends but also see the whole of London."



Freya took some wonderfully arty photos of London and the attractions which we have included below.



Year 3 Visit a Local Care Home



Year 3 recently visited the Queens Court Care Home to sing and play their recorders for the residents.

It was lovely to see them sharing their growing talents in music for the benefit of others in the community.





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FOBS Update

The end of the school year has arrived. We do hope that everyone has a chance to slow down during the holidays.

Summer Ball

In May we had the Oak-Tree Schools Summer Ball which was a spectacular affair. Thanks to prize donations and Braeside parents attending we made just over £1000 from the event. A lot of hard work for the organisers - thank you to Adrian Adams for being our parent representative. It really was worth it.



Summer Festival

The weekend just gone we had our Summer Festival. It turned out to be a great event. The weather was just right despite all the rain the night before. Lots of people came. The girls performing in the Talent Show and with the Street Dance club were all excellent.

Thank you so much to the girls in years 7, 8, 9 and 10 who were wonderful running the beauty, craft and games stalls. Thank you to all the school staff who gave up their weekend time to help on the bottle tombola, sweet tombola, the raffle, with the Talent Show, with face painting and keeping the bouncing girls in order. Many thanks to Rob and Mark the caretakers who were excellent at organising the infrastructure for the whole event. Thank you so much to Steve, the chef who also gave up his weekend time to run the BBQ for us. And finally a big thank you to the parents who helped set the whole thing up and helped with the raffle, the BBQ and ran the cafe, the gate, Lucky Dip and the Talent Show.

Through everyone's efforts we managed to raise in the order of £900. We should be able to buy those 30 iPads for the school very soon. Although it was great to raise so much money for the school, probably more importantly everyone had fun and enjoyed the day.

More Thank Yous

At the end of the academic year we would also like to say thank you to all parents who have donated to the class hampers, volunteered to help and attended events. Also many thanks to the class reps (Dipal, Mel, Sam, Matt, Suzanne, Anna, Lea Anne, Leah, Diane, Janice, Karen and Lucy) who have done a great job being the link between the Committee and you and creating the wonderful hampers.

Old Uniform

We have just had word that any preloved uniform (relatively good condition) can be donated to a charity collection. Sadly it is too late to do it at the end of this school year. However if you save it you can bring it in at the start of the new school year and it will go to a good cause. A reminder email will go out at the start of the academic year.

Happy Holidays,

FOBS Committee

Louise Mead Co Chair

Elin Walsh Secretary and Co Chair

James Pepe Treasurer