



ISLEWORTH &
SYON SCHOOL
FINIS CORONAT OPUS



NEWSLETTER

JULY 2017

In this Issue....

Message from the Headteacher.....	1
News	2
Reminders	4
Coming Soon	5
Student Showcase.....	6

Message from the Headteacher



I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support during this academic year.

I hope you have a restful summer break.

This Month's Cover

This month's cover was designed by Mohamed Alsiddieg (Year 13). Well done Mohamed for an outstanding piece of artwork.

Get in Touch

All communications with parents/carers are electronic; please make sure that we have your most up-to-date email address on file. The methods below are the best way to keep up-to-date with the daily life of the school. It is also far more efficient to access information via the website or Twitter account, rather than by telephone.

Website: www.isleworthsyon.org
Email: school@isleworthsyon.org
Twitter: twitter.com/IsleworthSyon
Facebook: facebook.com/IsleworthSyon
Parent Portal: <https://parent.isleworthsyon.com>
Telephone: 020 8568 5791
Fax: 020 8568 1939

News

MOCK ELECTION

It was great to see students exercising their democratic right on Thursday 8 June, as we held a mock election in school. Students engaged with the issues all week during form time, and 7C even held an election debate during their English lesson. It was great to see such a fantastic turnout on the day! Labour emerged victorious with a huge majority; well done to the boys for demonstrating great enthusiasm!



NATIONAL CHAMPION!

We were delighted to receive notice this month that Year 9's Josiah Wilson-Kepple was crowned the national u-15 champion for Triple Jump.

An athlete of outstanding pedigree, Josiah has regularly smashed school records at sports day, and it is great to see him demonstrate his talent on the national stage. It is all a result of his fantastic work ethic and commitment in training, and everyone at Isleworth & Syon is extremely proud of his achievement.



Well done, Josiah!

1ST XI VS MCC

Our annual cricket match against the MCC took place on Wednesday 21 June. This prestigious fixture is always a highlight of the school calendar, and the first XI gave a fantastic performance on a beautiful day down at Wood Lane. The MCC emerged with a narrow win, but it was a great day overall!



SUMMER ARTS & TECHNOLOGY EVENING



The performing and creative arts departments put on a spectacular show on Tuesday 27 June, with outstanding exhibitions of art and design & technology, and fantastic music and drama performances from students of all ages. What a pleasure to see students coming together to showcase the breadth of talent at Isleworth & Syon. Have a look at #SummerArts2017 on Twitter for more!

HEAD BOYS

After much deliberation, it has been announced that Adam Greaves will be our Head Boy for 2017-18, supported by two deputies, Manahar Kumar and Haseeb Hussain.

ROWING – LONDON YOUTH GAMES

A huge well done to Joseph Whittaker (9F), who came second in the London Youth Games on Sunday 9 July 2017 in his chosen sport - u-14 rowing. He rowed 1157m in four minutes - an outstanding effort. It was particularly impressive considering his training has been impaired by a toe injury.

SPORTS DAY

Friday 23 June saw students in Years 7-10 head over to the Osterley track for Sports Day. Meticulously organised by the PE department, students took part in all track and field events. It was a brilliant day in the sunshine, with students demonstrating great house spirit.

Well done to Turner for emerging the victors overall!



SPORTS REPORT

In amongst the individual successes outlined above, our sports teams continue to go from strength-to-strength, with borough success in both football and cricket.

Please do head to the website and read the Sports Report: www.isleworthsyon.org/sportsjuly17.

SIXTH FORM BALL

Mr Tachon and the Student Voice team organised the Sixth Form Ball for Saturday 1 July at Hampton Court Golf Club. The event was very well-attended, as the students celebrated the end of examinations in style along with Brentford School for Girls!

YEAR 11 PROM



As you can clearly see from the photograph above, our Year 11 boys enjoyed letting their hair down and celebrating the end of their examinations on Thursday 29 June, as we headed to Harlequins RFC for the annual Prom. The music and (soft) drinks were flowing as the boys joined with girls from the Green School for a lovely celebration. To our departing Year 11s, we wish good luck in their future endeavours.

WIDER LEARNING WEEK

Monday 10 - Friday 14 July saw our Wider Learning Week, where students undertake enriching learning experiences in familiar and new contexts. There were many activities taking place across the week - we highly recommend checking out the school Twitter feed (www.twitter.com/IsleworthSyon) to get a sense of what the week had to offer. It was excellent to see the boys getting stuck in to all activities, demonstrating great passion and enthusiasm for something a little different to their everyday lessons.



Reminders

SEPTEMBER ARRANGEMENTS

MON 4 SEP	Staff INSET (students do not attend)
TUE 5 SEP	Staff INSET (students do not attend)
WED 6 SEP	New Year 7 start - 8.30am - assembly in main school hall Year 12 start - 9.45am - assembly in Sixth Form Study Room
THU 7 SEP	Years 8-11 start - 10.45am Year 13 start - 1.45pm - assembly in Sixth Form Study Room
FRI 8 SEP	Normal school day - all years
THU 12 OCT	Progress & Partnership Day

EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS

This academic year has seen the majority of our communications go paperless - a policy that we will continue next year. Please ensure that all changes to email addresses are reported immediately to school@isleworthsyon.org so you don't miss a thing! If you have not been receiving emails, please check your spam/junk folders, as some email providers automatically filter system-generated emails.

EXAMINATION RESULTS DAYS

Emails regarding examinations results collection have been emailed to parents/carers. Results **will not** be given via email or by telephone. If students are unable to collect your results in person, it can be arranged, in advance, for someone else to collect them for you. This must be done via email to rculling@isleworthsyon.org, and the person collecting your results must bring a proof of identity.

PARENT/CARER PARKING

Please encourage your child to travel independently - it's healthier and better for the environment! Parent/carers must not park on the double yellow lines around the school site. These are there for the safety of students and it is illegal to park on restricted areas.

APPEARANCE POLICY

Please ensure that your son/ward follows the Appearance Policy on return to school after the summer break. Appearance checks will take place at the start of the year, as usual, and it is expected that every single student will be ready for learning. Should a student be sent home, this will be to rectify their appearance prior to return to school. Please note that members of the senior team will make these decisions but they will not enter into any debate about our expectations.



A MESSAGE FROM THE MEDICAL ROOM

If your son/ward:

- needs to take painkillers in the morning, please make sure he has taken these before he comes to school so that he will be ready for learning when he arrives.
- needs tissues during the day, please make sure he has a supply with him.
- has a minor wound which requires covering with a plaster whilst at school, please make sure this is done before he leaves home.

Please however continue to contact welfare with any concerns or changes in medical circumstance (temporary or permanent of any student).

Coming Soon...

Autumn Term 2017

AUTUMN TERM 1

Monday 4 September - Friday 20 October

HALF TERM

Monday 23 October - Friday 27 October

AUTUMN TERM 2

Monday 30 October - Thursday 21 December

NOTES

Monday 4 September - INSET Day

Tuesday 5 September - INSET Day

Wednesday 6 September - Year 7 & 12 return

Thursday 7 September - Years 8-11 and 13 return

Friday 24 November - INSET Day

Monday 27 November - PPA Day

Spring Term 2018

SPRING TERM 1

Monday 8 January - Friday 9 February

HALF TERM

Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February

SPRING TERM 2

Monday 19 February - Thursday 29 March

NOTES

Summer Term 2018

SUMMER TERM 1

Monday 16 April - Friday 25 May

HALF TERM

Monday 28 May - Friday 1 June

SUMMER TERM 2

Monday 4 June - Friday 20 July

NOTES

Monday 16 April - Moderation Day

Monday 7 May - May Day Bank Holiday

Monday 28 May - Spring Bank Holiday

Students will not be required to attend on INSET, Moderation or PPA days, or Bank Holidays. Some senior students may be expected to attend school on Moderation Day.

Summer Holiday 2018

Monday 23 July - Friday 31 August.

Student Showcase

By John Drexler Alvaran (10E)

A guttural, metallic burp bubbled from beneath the North Atlantic Ocean as it sunk into the dark abyss.

“All aboard the S.S. Titanic”, said the Captain, as the sweltering sun engulfed the perpetual skies.

The sky was buckled with clouds that flared up in a beautiful neon blue, yet they gathered where ships were supposed to be. Alongside the passing of the day, it slowly did the job of unbending my smile. I noticed the moon beginning the pull the curtains of the day.

Everything was screaming: the sun, the wind, my heart.

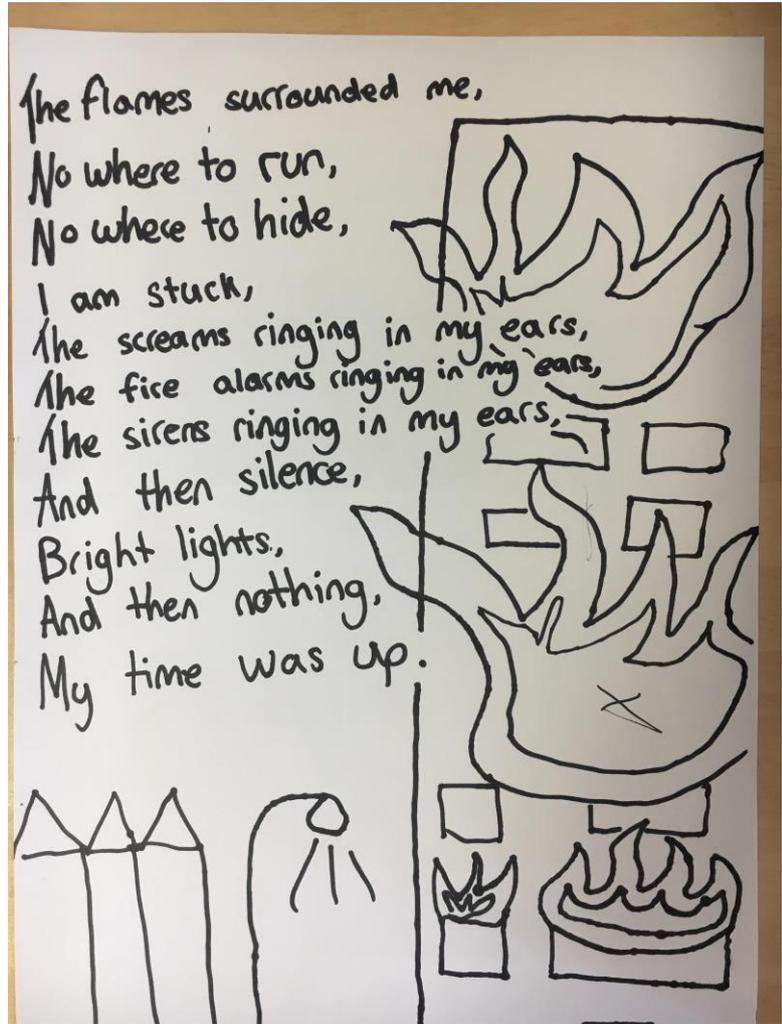
The callous breath of the wind wriggled through the crevices of my limbs. Azure-blue waters crawled from the tips of my toes and surged through the rest of my body; I lay here frozen on a piece of the once “revolutionary” ship.

“It is the most luxurious and powerfully-built ship. A revolutionary work of art that challenges anything that challenges it.”

The irony.

Who would have thought that a towering, austere block of ice would shred it into pieces? Right?

I was on the brink of dying. Everyone else was dead.



Jude Collie (8E)

Work on this page was created by students taking part in the EMC National Writing Challenge.

In English lessons, students were ‘let loose’ to **just write**, given a variety of stimuli and complete freedom to write about any subject in any format. The event was organised by the English and Media Centre and encourages students to write creatively without fear of work being judged.

Students had thirty minutes to write, and the results were outstanding. Well done to students that took part!



Isleworth & Syon School for Boys

Ridgeway Road, Isleworth
Middlesex TW7 5LJ

T: 020 8568 5791 • F: 020 8568 1939

school@isleworthsyon.org
www.isleworthsyon.org



@IsleworthSyon



/IsleworthSyon
