



# WHITGIFTIAN ASSOCIATION

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## NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL

During my eighteen years teaching at Whitgift, I have been lucky enough to be present at Twickenham for our last five appearances in national rugby finals, all of which have seen the school emerge victorious. My first trip, back in 2003, saw a Danny Cipriani inspired U15 side outplay a much-fancied Millfield; my second, in 2010, saw a First XV packed with future international and professional players crush Newcastle Grammar, and was followed by more of the same in 2011, this time against Oakham; the fourth, last year, saw a monstrous U15 side steamroll Manchester Grammar.

None of these, however, could compare with the sheer drama and spectacle of this year's offering, with the First XV only really pulling away in the final minutes from the sternest of opposition in Warwick School (who were going for a hat-trick of victories), to edge the contest 32-22. The boys who played on the day were, quite simply, magnificent and did the school proud. It was a pleasure to see the fleet-footed fly-half, Ed Dunford (Wales U18)



NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

open his box of tricks to unlock the tightest of defences and, whilst it was also a joy to see our other two schoolboy internationals, back-rowers Harry Dugmore (England U18) and Harry Breeze (Wales U18) tear around the Twickenham turf, it was arguably the non-capped back-rower, captain Oliver Norris, who was the pick of all the players, as it was he who bravely charged down a kick in the opening seconds to score the first try and who, even more impressively, plucked our own kick-off out of the air to set up the

final try. This was pivotal, as it arrested Warwick's seemingly unstoppable momentum and wrenched the game back Whitgift's way.

The match was described by school rugby website, [fifteenrugby.com](http://fifteenrugby.com), as one of the greatest schoolboy finals ever played, and both the team and the massed 'barmy army' of supporters (made up of the Sixth Form, a select group of lucky staff, parents and an impressive number of dedicated OWs) were elated at the final whistle. I have to admit that this particular OW shed a tear at that moment, as I looked up to the heavens and thought how former schoolmaster and Whitgift rugby legend, Ken Nicholas, would be looking down on the boys with a great beaming smile: a Welsh Grand Slam at Cardiff on the Saturday and a Whitgift national triumph at Twickenham five days later – a fitting send off for a great man.

The only downside of the day was that the U15 team were not there too.



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## PRESIDENTIAL BLOG - #77

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A busy, busy time with firstly a visit to the School concert hall to hear our very own Law Lord give an academic enrichment talk to the boys on the English legal system interspersed with his own personal anecdotes. Then into a decorated Big School to support the School rugby tour ball to wish the boys well in New Zealand and alert our Auckland members of their impending arrival. Next a brief visit to the clubhouse lounge bar to ensure that the 57 School first form parents on 'disco layover duty' were comfortably cared for.

At the OWGS AGM in the School founder's room their new captain was appointed (of solid OW golfing pedigree) and their busy season mapped out before holding the annual dinner in the School old library, next a brief visit to the clubhouse Bowthorpe Room to meet the members of the OW Corps of Drums and listen to a selection of their repertoire.

A visit to the School PAC to enjoy this year's Sixth Form plays before calling into a crowded clubhouse to congratulate the School 1stXV and coaching staff on their national cup win 32-22 against Warwick at Twickenham. It has been a pleasure to watch the boys playing first class rugby in the national cup games with a very narrow loss in the U15XV semi-final and two fine wins for the 1stXV in the semi-final and final.

Founders Day, with firstly the annual alumni service in the chapel at Whitgift house followed by breakfast in the staff dining room then the main Foundation service at the Minster with pupils and staff first held in 1889 and an opportunity to continue the tradition of laying the Whyte Gifte buttonhole flower on the tomb of John Whitgift.

Then the fully attended funeral service of a much respected former master and rugby coach and the chance to explain to the bemused vicar that 'Tigers letter, others number' hence the J on the flyhalf shirt. Lastly up to the clubhouse to host a convivial inaugural past presidents' lunch.

An ex officio visit to a WBS committee meeting to find the Society in safe hands and running smoothly and a visit to the refurbished School fives courts to support the OWVC in their match against the School where they were well beaten, followed by a main committee meeting for matters of state.

The OWRFC past players lunch was followed by the 1stXV last league game of the season, a win against Teddington, and the next day to enjoy the opening concert of this year's WIMC and an opportunity to chat with the visiting Maldovian ambassador.

Then down to the RCP at Deal to support the Halford Hewitt golf team in their first round win over Shrewsbury and the following day to Sanderstead to attend the lovely memorial service of a past president in his crowded church.

A quick check on the overnight survivors of the OWRFC end of season dinner before supporting the OW AFC in their 21st season anniversary football match and a social visit on a very senior member who is not quite so nimble as he used to be, was followed by the AGM of the OWTL in the clubhouse Marlar room.

Lastly words of encouragement to members acting as 'the enemy' in the School's CCF AGI 'attack' overseen by our very own Brigadier.

All the while working hard on the forthcoming Annual Dinner, with places still available-book now!

## NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL CONTINUED

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Unfortunately, they got knocked out of the cup in the semi-final, even though they did not lose the match and, hence, maintained their three-year unbeaten record. On the day, they would be the first to admit that their performance was under-par, and they could only muster a 15-15 draw with a Wellington College side that they had beaten comfortably earlier on in the season. Due to scoring one try fewer than the opposition, the boys could go no further in the competition and this proved even more frustrating on the day of the final, when Wellington beat Northampton Boys comfortably.

Of course, this was the second of two semi-finals that Whitgift were involved in, the other being the First XV's 57-15 crushing of Marlborough College the previous day. Both matches took place at Saracens' home ground, Allianz Park, and were extremely well supported by hordes of fans. Whitgift rugby certainly finds itself in a healthy place right now!

From rugby, we move onto the sport that the school has had arguably even more success in during recent years, hockey. The 1st XI have enjoyed another magnificent season, defeating all schoolboy opposition; indeed, they may yet match the exploits of their rugby counterparts, having progressed into the semi-final of their national cup in the penultimate week of term. The U16s, 15s and 14s also all enjoyed excellent seasons, but unfortunately did not manage to progress into the finals of their respective national events. The future is still bright for Whitgift hockey, however, with the U13s beating St George's 5-0 to win their national final, and the U12s going through their 25 match season unbeaten, winning 24 of their fixtures and drawing 1.

Finally in sport, the Whitgift fencers achieved some outstanding results at the Public Schools Fencing Championships, Crystal Palace 12-14 March 2019. The boys finished as top school in the U14 age





where he captivated the audience with his take on the character of Nyukhin, cleverly using his voice and quirky mannerisms to depict a tragic and lovable character.

At the beginning of March, the Whitgift Chamber Orchestra (WCO) performed pieces from

Mendelssohn, Strauss, Vivaldi and Paganini culminating in Beethoven's Eroica Symphony. The first movement from the Horn Concerto No.1, Op.11 by Strauss was an enjoyable piece, specifically when soloist, Lower Sixth Form student Adam Field, played many arpeggiated chords, reminiscent of a hunting call, which demonstrated his velocity and skill.

Equally impressive was the three movements from Double Cello Concerto in G Minor by Vivaldi with solos performed by Upper Sixth Formers, Alex Ciulin and Kosta Popovic. Unusually performed by two soloists, this piece was originally written for an all-women orchestra. The cellists bow movements were breathtakingly swift. The two cellos echoed and mimicked each other, almost like a conversation. It was evident the hours of practice paid off when it came to learning and perfecting it.

Overall, the concert had incredible performances by the soloists and Whitgift Chamber Orchestra. Director of Orchestral Music and conductor of the event, Mr Philip Winter commented, "To play Beethoven's Eroica Symphony is a challenge for a professional orchestra and a fantastic achievement for the members of the WCO; the depth of musical understanding needed is enormous and everyone who took part rose to the

occasion to a very enthusiastic audience."

Finally, whilst all these co-curricular triumphs are occurring, let us not forget that our main aim in the day-to-day running of the school is the academic enrichment and pastoral care of the boys. To that end, the number of guest speakers invited to challenge and inspire the boys in a variety of different ways just keeps on growing.

The PRISM society's Friday lecture has this term seen philosopher and CEO of iDiscover, Gal Stiglitz, pose the question 'What is the most important skill of the 21st Century?'; eminent OW, Lord Justice Lindblom, address the boys about his experiences gained from rising to the top of the British justice system; as well as a number of staff and boys speaking on academic interests of their own.

In February, the sports department invited Richard Shorter aka the 'Non-Perfect Dad' to deliver a talk on how to build character through sport. An inspiring speaker, Richard is dedicated to enabling parents and sport teams to work together through courageous and honest parenting. The talk also discussed how parents can facilitate positive conversations based on character rather than results, whether that is academia or sport.

Most recently, on World Book Day, children's author, Nick Cook, visited to deliver an extended assembly to the Lower School boys before delivering a series of writing workshops to boys in English lessons.

There never is a dull day at Whitgift!

**DOMINIC EDWARDS OW (1988-96)**

category across all three weapons and 2nd placed school across all age groups and all weapons. Special praise should go to Omari Campbell-Okolo and Ben Lindsay, who finished second and third in the U14 Epee and U18 Sabre respectively.

In drama, the plays just keep on coming! This year's Sixth Form performance was *The Sneeze*, a collection of short stories and one-act comedy vaudevilles by Russian playwright Anton Chekov, adapted by Michael Frayn. The production opened with Drama, where Whitgift drama stalwart, Jude Willoughby, played the role of Pavel, a sarcastic and much too busy script writer, and Yasmin Irving (Old Palace of John Whitgift School) played the melodramatic role of Murashkna, the dame auditioning her script who meets an unfortunate and shocking denouement.

All the performances that followed were equally impressive, especially considering many of the Sixth Form actors had never previously taken on an acting role. The play that hands itself to the title, *The Sneeze* was a very entertaining story of a Government Clerk, who on a night out with his wife, accidentally sneezes on a General sitting directly in front of him.

Archie Day who plays Chervyakov (the sneezer), did an excellent job at depicting the horror that plagues him throughout, as well as Jacob Rose who played the General Brizshalov, whose expression during the slow motion replay of the sneeze was highly amusing. Arguably, the highlight of the night was Charlie Barber's performance during *The Evils of Tobacco*,



# OWGS - HALFORD HEWITT 2019



Deal can be a delightful place to play golf, or indeed to watch it. It can also be very cold! It was the latter in early April, when the annual pilgrimage for the 64 schools who make up The Public Schools Golfing Society took place, in competition for the Halford Hewitt Cup.

Whitgift began with renewed confidence, having probably the strongest team we have fielded for many years, estimated to have a total handicap of 4 (aided considerably by the arrival of Harvey Byers at +3, fresh from his triumph in Rye's 'Darwin Salver' – a very prestigious amateur event for those under 21). There were three other newcomers – Mark Coppell, Toby Kemp, and Jack Raison.

The first round match against Shrewsbury always looked under control, with the strongest pairs at the front of the field never in great danger, the team therefore only needing one win from of the last three pairs in order to win the tie. In the event, Matt Webster and Toby Kemp, at 3, ran away with their match after the turn, and emerged 6&5 winners, leaving the 'dead' matches declared halves and Whitgift victorious 4-1.

The second day was no warmer for the match against Radley, finalists in 2016 [photo attached]. Early on, a similar pattern seemed to be emerging to that on day 1, with the front two pairs ahead, and the last three facing closer matches. Harvey Byers and Carl Hills, at 2, were never seriously pushed, and

indeed the impression formed that Radley had chosen to put one or two of their stronger pairs further back (which they are perfectly entitled to do); their third pair holed three long putts before the turn, and eventually won convincingly. Joe Marchbank, with Tom Bloxsome at 5, looked the most likely to claim the vital third point that Whitgift needed, especially after a spectacular 245 yard 3-wood to the seventh hole from the left hand rough, which finished 15 feet away. Marchbank/Bloxsome went on to win 2&1.

But just as the fifth pair nudged ahead, things started to look more dangerous up front. Radley's top pair started what turned out to be a level-par back nine, and turned a 2-hole deficit into a one-up lead by the 14th. At the 17th, still one down, Mark Coppell, playing with Neill Williams, hit a great approach to the green which finished virtually adjacent to the hole, a birdie which seemed certain to level the match, only for Radley to hole from distance to snatch a half. And so, with the score 2-1 in Whitgift's favour, our first and third pairs went to the final hole,

both one down. Both scored par 4s, but it wasn't enough; Radley's third pair were off the green but got up and down to win the tie 3-2, a testament to the old adage "putt for dough".

Talking of adages, the remainder of the competition illustrated the truth of one or two of them ...

"What goes around comes around".

Radley's next opponents were Charterhouse, and they suffered the same narrow defeat, 3-2. On this occasion, Charterhouse won the deciding match at the 20th hole, holing a 200-yard 3 iron!

"It ain't over till it's over". Malvern were 2-0 down in their third round match against Rugby, needing to win all three remaining matches to get through. Surely not; not when your fourth pair is 3-down with three to play? Yes, they did. Rugby put their drive on the beach at the third extra hole. Malvern went on to win the Hewitt, on the fifth extra hole in the deciding match of the final!

But forget "third time lucky". Malvern's opponents in that final were Ampleforth, already losing finalists in both 2017 and 2018.

PETER GALE (HON SEC)

Royal Cinque Ports Golf Club									
First Round									
MATCH No. 3		Thursday		11 April 2019		08:55			
SHREWSBURY		v		WHITGIFT					
1	JR Campton	0		NR Williams	2/1	1			
	RA Roberts			MS Coppell					
2	JA Skelton	0		C Hills	3/2	1			
	L Briggs			H Byers					
3	AJ Pollock	0		MDS Webster	6/5	1			
	JJ Pollock			TP Kemp					
4	WM Campton	½		RS Gibson		½			
	JPT Mainwaring			JR Raison					
5	WJ Pollock	½		J Marchbank		½			
	JM Shaw			T Bloxsome					
RESULT		1				4			

Royal Cinque Ports Golf Club									
Second Round									
MATCH No. 2		Friday		12 April 2019		09:30			
WHITGIFT		v		RADLEY					
1	NR Williams	0		TJ Enridge	1 up	1			
	MS Coppell			SA Stalder					
2	C Hills	4/3	1	HTL Melvin		0			
	H Byers			KRG Seward					
3	MDS Webster	0		SJE Peck	1 up	1			
	TP Kemp			TE Beasley					
4	RS Gibson	0		TR Wright	5/3	1			
	JR Raison			FWP Campton					
5	J Marchbank	2/1	1	HAB Douglass		0			
	T Bloxsome			AJT Tapner					
RESULT		2				3			





## WHITGIFTIAN ASSOCIATION

# WA ANNUAL DINNER 2019

FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019 AT 6PM

📍 At Whitgift School,

Haling Park, South Croydon CR2 6YT

The president, Richard Blundell, warmly invites you to join him in a great evening of OW fellowship, commencing with a drinks reception in the Andrew Quadrangle from 6-7.30 pm during which time the Senior Prefects will conduct tours of the School, followed by a superb 4-course meal including all wines in Big School, with musical interludes.

**The ticket price:** £55 for OWs and guests with a special, single booking, table price for ten people of £450.

**Dress code:** Black Tie or Whitgiftian Blazer. Wives/partners are most welcome.

A school minibus will collect from and return to East Croydon Station. Please indicate your interest in this service on the form below.

Please complete and return the attached form together with payment to the WA Treasurer as soon as possible.

Book by email to [treasurer@whitgiftianassociation.co.uk](mailto:treasurer@whitgiftianassociation.co.uk) or telephone **020 8660 5562** with payment via BACS to Whitgiftian Association (Sort Code 56-00-46 | Account No. 01064495)

Alternatively, book online at <https://whitgiftianassociation.co.uk/events/>



### WA ANNUAL DINNER – FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019

RETURN TO: WA Treasurer, 60 Hartley Down, Purley, Surrey CR8 4EA

Please book ..... places for the WA Annual Dinner @£55 per person. Those in my party are.....

I would like to book ..... Tables of 10 @ £450, ref name.....

Dietary requirements .....

Years at Whitgift ..... Phone no ..... Email .....

Name ..... Address .....

..... Signed.....

I am interested in using the minibus station shuttle Yes ☐ No ☐

☐ I enclose cheque for £..... payable to Whitgiftian Association ☐ I have paid by BACS

## GOLF – SCRATCH CUP

They call it dedication. On Sunday 3rd March, the Scratch Cup was held at Royal Cinque Ports GC, Deal. Storm Freya made an appearance on the same day. A week earlier, and we would have been bathing in the sunshine of the February spring, but this was windy and wet – very windy. Nonetheless all 24 on the start list turned up, and all completed their rounds. This may have had something to do with the fact that they were competing for six places on offer in the 2019 Halford Hewitt team, but it was impressive all the same.

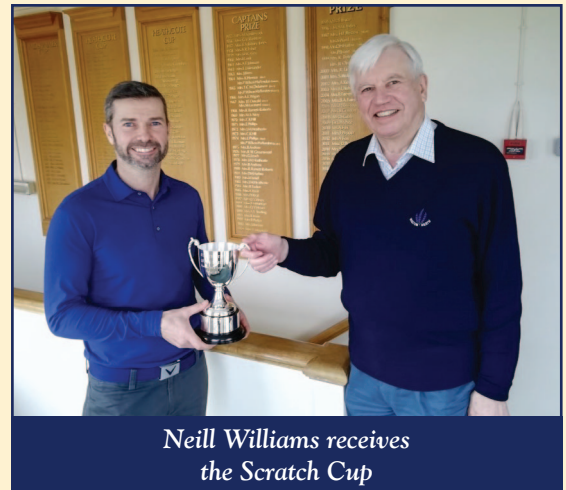
So were many of the scores. There was general agreement beforehand that in the conditions, 80 would be a good score, and that, when playing into the wind, an ability to keep the ball below head height would be an advantage. (For some of us, getting the ball above head height is normally the problem – ed). As it turned out, seven of the 24

scored 80 or better, very good golf in pretty appalling circumstances.

Neill Williams turned in an exceptional score of 72 and, for the second year, was presented with the Scratch Cup by Dudley Thompson (President).

Neill was closely followed by Mark Coppell, making his first appearance, who scored 75, and the remaining four Hewitt places up for grabs went to Harvey Byers (79), Jack Raison (79), Stuart Hollins (80) and Carl Hills (80).

Narrowly missing out on the automatic picks was Matt Webster (80) who lost out on the second stage of countback. Matt had only just returned from a golf trip to Australia, where he had experienced temperatures of 38 degrees; roughly similar to those in Deal, except



*Neill Williams receives the Scratch Cup*

these were measured in Fahrenheit! Matt had also donated a silver medal trophy for the best score by a player over 50 (ie those qualifying for the senior version of the Hewitt, the Cyril Gray).

Congratulations to everyone for toughing it out!

A report on the 2019 Halford Hewitt appears separately in this newsletter.

**PETER GALE (HON SEC)**

## GOLF SOCIETY NEWS

The society held its AGM at the school, also in March. Alan Blok was duly elected Captain for the next two years, despite encountering opposition of a sort from two members in the front row, both of whom share his surname. 36 attended the ensuing annual dinner, held in the Old Library, where presentations were made to two members who have enjoyed distinguished golf careers in the Halford Hewitt, and indeed made over 100 appearances each in that competition; Gordon Garment and Andrew Stracey.

The first Open meeting of the year, Alan Blok's Captain's Day at Purley Downs, was held in April, on what turned out to be the warmest day of the year so far. The course was in great condition, and even though the locals were telling us that the greens were comparatively slow, they seemed quick to the rest of us. 29 players turned up, including three schoolboys, Max Stanley, Max Brierley, and Ben

Gaunt, continuing our recent practice of inviting some of the boys to join us as guests. Scoring was generally quite good, particularly amongst Purley Downs members (no surprises there – ed), but the best score of all was by one of our guests, Edmund Binsted, who came along with Charlie Walker and scored 38 points. Since society policy is that only members can win our trophies, the Captain's Trophy went to David Absalom (pictured above) who was level par for his first six holes and ended with 36 points. Peter Blok and Captain Alan both scored 35 points, and finished second and third, with James Wilde and Don Anderson



*Alan Blok presents the Captain's Trophy to David Absalom*

(both 34) close behind. Well done to all.

If you wish to participate in our events, and/or join the society, you should contact the secretary at [peterbgale@sky.com](mailto:peterbgale@sky.com).

**PETER GALE (HON SEC)**



# OLD WHITGIFTIAN 5s CLUB

## – POINTS VICTORY CLAIMED ON ENJOYABLE 2019 TOUR!

OW5s Club players and supporters ventured westward by road and rail for our annual tour on the weekend of 22-24 March 2019. In keeping with tradition, a number of the touring party met enroute at the Fox & Hounds pub in East Knoyle for Friday lunchtime sustenance.

Friday afternoon's unusual-format 6-a-side match at Sherborne included a full complement of touring OW players. The OWs won the match against an enthusiastic mix of Sherborne schoolboys and adults. (OWs 117 – Sher 62).

Following an obligatory post-match drink at Sherborne's Digby Tap, the party travelled on to Yeovil for curry, drinks, socialising and overnight accommodation. Players and the supporting entourage travelled further westward on Saturday morning for a more-conventional 4-a-side match at Tiverton. In a very close match,

the combined Tiverton & Exeter team proved (just!) too strong for the OWs (Freddie & Graham, Jon & Nick), with the oppo winning by 3 points! (OWs 79 – Tiv/Ex 82)

Post-match refreshments were enjoyed in the beautiful countryside setting of the Butterleigh Inn. Conversation included reminiscing with a member of the oppo who last played against the OWs on tour in the 1980s at the Exeter courts!

The touring party then headed south-eastward to (appropriate-named!) Beer for overnight accommodation. Beautiful coastline, beer, rugby and dinner were enjoyed by all.

Following a leisurely Sunday morning breakfast (and headland stroll for some!), the tourists started homeward. Another great tour was enjoyed by all. Tour results



*OW touring players (and opposition) after Sherborne match:  
Freddie Heathcote (not OW),  
Graham Norman, Nick Woolfenden,  
Ed Andrews, Jon Higgins,  
Robert Dalman.*

were 1 win, 1 loss – but some players were keen to highlight an overall OW points victory across the 2 matches! Thanks to all who toured, supported, organised and contributed to the weekend.

We always welcome new or returning 5s players. For more information, including details of our regular social 5s sessions on Thursday evenings, please contact Hon. Sec. Nick Woolfenden ([nickw5s@hotmail.com](mailto:nickw5s@hotmail.com)).

# OLD WHITS FOOTBALL CELEBRATE THEIR 21ST ANNIVERSARY

In mid-April, OW AFC hosted a 21st anniversary club day at the world(?) famous Croham Manor Road arena. Former and current players who have appeared for the club since its foundations in 1998 came back to Whitgift Sports Club and enjoyed a competitive friendly fixture.

In bright spring sunshine, over 30 players took part in the match, with many more enjoying the spectacle from the sidelines. An OW AFC legends team was captained by club icon and current centre back Mike Tarlton (OW 1984-91). One of the original founding fathers, Mike has appeared in every season since our 1998 beginnings, amassing an incredible 414 appearances (and counting!).

With some spectacular goals and equally spectacular misses, the match ended with a 6-3 win to the "The Blues". Special mention must go to the former players who travelled from far and wide to attend. They certainly haven't lost their footballing talent and gave our current squad a good run for their

money. The commemorative celebrations and stories of seasons past extended long into the evening, with plans afoot to continue this new tradition next season.

Our first ever club day captured 3,600 appearances in one photo.

## Old Whits Football Season Review

Our 21st season was another positive one for the club, with 41 games played over 8 months.

The 1st XI – competing in the AFC Division 1 South after promotion last term – took the step up in quality in their stride. The team didn't draw a single game over the course of the season, always going for the victory. We battled on after we lost some key players over the period to some serious injuries, including anterior cruciate ligament tears, ruptured achilles tendons and torn biceps! We were pipped to 3rd place on the final day of the season, finishing one victory away from a third successive promotion!



The 2nd XI continued their push for promotion from a highly competitive league. A few unfortunate results towards the end of the season took this opportunity away. Our achievements were even more noteworthy given the majority of the season was played without a regular goalkeeper, with everyone taking a stint between the sticks (some much more competently than others!)

We begin our pre-season training in July and have friendly matches over the summer. If you or any of your friends are interested in joining please email [oldwhits@gmail.com](mailto:oldwhits@gmail.com) for more information.

**ALEXANDER PROWSE (OW 2001-09)**  
**OW AFC CHAIRMAN**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 10 May	President's Musical Soiree <i>Come and join the President's table... free entry!</i>	School	19:00
Fri 24 May	WA Annual Dinner	School	18:00
Thurs 30 May	1952 Leavers Reunion Lunch	School	12:00
Fri 31 May	1957 Leavers Reunion Lunch	School	12:00
Fri 7 June	Outdoor Cinema, "Bohemian Rhapsody"	WSC	19:00
19-21 June	Junior Play "A-W in 80 Days"	School	19:30
Sat 22 June	1989 Leavers Reunion Lunch	School	13:00
Sat 22 June	WSC Beer Festival	WSC	13:00
Thurs 4 July	Whitgift Life	School	11:00
Weds 17 July	Oliver Little Channel Swim	Dover	02:00
Weds 24 July	NSPCC Open Gardens	School	14:00
Sat 28 Sept	WA South West Dinner	Tiverton	18:00

## FIXTURES

Wed 1 May	School 1st XI v Trinity	A	14:00
Sat 4 May	School 1st XI v Merchant Taylors	A	11:00
Sun 5 May	School 1st XI v Caterham	H	09:30
Sat 11 May	OWCC 2nd XI v Chipstead	L H	12:00
Sat 11 May	School 1st XI v Harrow	A	11:00
Sat 11 May	OWGS v School, Barnett Trophy	Deal	12:55
Wed 15 May	OWGS v School	A	16:00
Sat 18 May	OWCC 1st XI v Old Hamptonians	L H	12:00
Sat 18 May	School 1st XI v Wellington	A	11:00
Sat 25 May	OWCC 1st XI v Old Wimbledonians	L H	12:00
Sat 25 May	School 1st XI v Hampton	A	11:00
Sat 1 June	OWCC 2nd XI v Woking	L H	12:00
Sun 2 June	OWCC XI v Catford	H	14:00
Sat 8 June	OWCC 1st XI v Staines	L H	12:00
Sat 8 June	School 1st XI v Reeds	H	11:00
Sat 15 June	OWCC 2nd XI v Cranleigh	L H	12:00
Sat 15 June	School 1st XI v Dulwich	A	11:00
Mon 17 June	School 1st XI v Serious Cricket Academy S.A.	H	16:00
Wed 19 June	School 1st XI v MCC	H	11:30
Sat 22 June	OWCC 1st XI v Streatham	L H	12:00
Sat 22 June	School 1st XI v Cranleigh	A	11:00
Mon 24 June	School 1st XI v Haileybury Melbourne	H	11:00
Tues 25 June	School 1st XI v Crusaders Australia	H	11:00
Thurs 27 June	School 1st XI v Bedes	H	11:00
Sat 29 June	OWCC 2nd XI v Walton/Thames	L H	12:00
Sat 29 June	School 1st XI v Parramatta Australia	H	11:00
Sun 30 June	OWCC XI v Flying Ducksmen	H	14:00
Tues 2 July	School 1st XI v Kent Street Perth	H	11:00
Sat 6 July	OWCC 1st XI v Kingstonians	L H	12:00
Sun 7 July	OWCC 1st XI v The Village	H	14:00
25/7-12/8	School Rugby Tour	New Zealand	

## RECENT DEATHS

**REV GEOFF BECK**  
OW (1928-34),  
D. 5TH MARCH 2019, AGED 100

**IAN CALDWELL**  
OW (1940-48)  
D. 29TH OCTOBER 2018, AGED 88

**ROGER HONEY,**  
OW (1942-50)  
D. 19TH MARCH 2018, AGED 85

**BRIAN KEYTE**  
OW (1942-49),  
D. 19TH FEBRUARY 2019, AGED 87

**JOHN LEGG**  
OW (1944-49),  
D. 28TH NOVEMBER 2018, AGED 84

**KEN NICHOLAS**  
TEACHER AND RUGBY COACH  
(1956-91),  
D. 10TH MARCH 2019, AGED 92

**DAVID WALTON**  
OW (1957-60),  
D. 2ND DECEMBER 2017, AGED 75

## WHITGIFTIAN ASSOCIATION 500 Club

### WINTER 2018 DRAW

**1st prize £300**  
PJ McCombie no. 121  
**2nd prize £150**  
P Crane no. 140  
**3rd Prize £50**  
M Cummings no. 94  
**4th Prize £50**  
AP Oliver no. 37

### SPRING 2019

**1st prize £100**  
P Warren no. 16  
**2nd prize £50**  
S Nicholas no. 108  
**3rd Prize £50**  
J Straw no. 192  
**4th Prize £50**  
P Warren no. 207

Independent scrutineer: Peter Dunn  
OW FCA, OW (1956-64)

To join the 500 Club and be in for a chance to win a quarterly prize, please contact  
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## WHITGIFTIAN ASSOCIATION

## WA SOUTH WEST DINNER

This year's Dinner will be held on Saturday 28th September 2019 at Tiverton Devon and I will be calling on all OWs in Cornwall, Devon, Somerset, Bristol, Avon and Dorset to come along.

If there are any other OWs from further afield who are interested in attending please email me at [skennedy@projectconsultants.co.uk](mailto:skennedy@projectconsultants.co.uk).

Some overnight accommodation is being held at the hotel and I look forward to seeing many OWs and their guests at the Dinner.

SIMON KENNEDY OW (1959-66)