



This term we celebrated 150 years of the CCF movement, and 50 years of the Ten Tors Challenge.



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The 2010 Wisden Cricketers' Almanack named the King's 1st XI the most successful school cricket side in the country in 2009. In addition, Jos Buttler was named Young Wisden Schools Cricketer of the Year.

In the summer holidays ten 6th formers and an OA spent two weeks in Kerala, Southern India, building two houses for homeless families.

6th form biologists spent a fortnight of the summer holidays in the Kruger National Park, South Africa, studying animal behaviour and conservation.



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King's College pupils achieved record exam results this summer. 87% of A level papers were awarded A\* to C grades, while 57% of GCSE papers were awarded A\* or A grades.





One of the many things that makes me proud of King's College is the fact that, despite the demands of a growing number of public exams in the Summer

Term, our pupils continue to involve themselves in an astonishing range of activities. The evidence is here in this newsletter. Our boys and girls took it all in their stride and showed their usual energy and enthusiasm for life. And the extraordinary thing is this: as you read about their exploits and successes in sport and music and drama and in their amazing trips overseas, remember that these same pupils achieved our best ever exam results at both GCSE and A levels. That is some achievement. It bears out my deep-seated belief that busy people are successful people. As you will see here, the Summer Term was busier than most! It was a wonderful end to a highly successful year for the school.

*Richard Biggs*

Freddie Barker was one of only 66 A level physics pupils in the country to be selected for Cambridge University's Senior Physics Challenge.

A development squad of boys' hockey players had a highly successful tour of India, including being guests of honour at the opening of a new hockey pitch at the State Academy Sports School in Delhi.



Dr Brian Lewis retired at the end of term, having taught at King's for 36 years.

Seashore ecology was the focus for this year's 61 biologists' post-exam week on the Scilly Isles.

Dr Roger Poland hosted Enmore Primary School for his final Eco-Pond workshop before he retired in July after 36 years' teaching at King's.



Yet again, all three of our teams completed their Ten Tors expeditions in excellent times.





A spectacular *Only Night of the Proms* concert was followed by entertainment from the jazz band in the marquee.

The entire 3rd form performed *Bear Hunt* to over 100 local primary schoolchildren.

Arts Week at the end of term began with a spectacular Musical Revue.

As part of Arts Week, the English department presented an evening of poetry and readings on the theme *This Green and Pleasant Land*.

Lucy Dunham in the 5th form production of *Rumpelstiltskin*.



The 61 curriculum drama piece, *The Glass Menagerie*, was an outstanding success, with strong performances from the whole cast.



The Friends of King's marked the retirements of Custos Magnus Mowat and Provost Bishop John Kirkham at their annual summer reception.





The girls' 1st VI tennis team had an outstanding unbeaten season - for the second year in a row!

Charlie Maclean won the English Schools' National 2000m steeplechase final, in a thrilling finish captured live on Sky Sports.



One run separated the 1st XI from an unbeaten season. Millfield won on the last ball of the match, otherwise it was a clean sweep of victories, including Blundell's, Clifton, Taunton School and Monmouth.

Robin Danaher won the English Schools' National javelin title. He was also the British Schools champion, UK Games champion and AAA National champion.



There were 12 gold medals for King's athletes at the Somerset Schools Championships, including Penny Guess (227) in the 800 metres.

The 2nd VI girls' tennis team had a highly successful season, losing only to Canford and Millfield.

King's batsmen scored a total of 15 centuries during the season, including six in one week. In all, we won 70% of all cricket matches played.

## TEAM NEWS



Katie Blowers and Alice Geraghty were in dominant form during the Under 15s' 8-1 win over Queen's.



Matt Richards celebrates his century during the Junior Colts' 47-run win over Clifton.

Jordan Clayton in action for the 1st VI boys' tennis team against Queen's.

The Under 14 girls' tennis team lost only twice all term.

