

<b>Committee(s)</b>	<b>Dated:</b>
The Board of Governors of the City of London Freemen's School  For information/for decision	07/02/2019
<b>Subject:</b> Headmaster's Report	<b>Public</b>
<b>Report of:</b> Headmaster, City of London Freemen's School	<b>For Information</b>

### Summary

This report is intended to give the Board pertinent information regarding Freemen's since the last meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2018.

- a) School Roll
- b) Wider impact of BREXIT
- c) Recent and forthcoming events
- d) Pupil achievements and successes

### Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- note the contents of this report;
- pay particular notice to items for discussion.

### Main Report

#### a) School roll

FOR INFORMATION:

1. Current School Roll data is provided for members in *Appendix 1*.

#### b) Wider impact of BREXIT

FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

2. The Town Clerk has asked for this item to be put as a Standing Item at all Grand Committees.
3. Further to my November update on this matter, I should report that recent intelligence has suggested that in a post-Brexit world, European students studying in the UK would require Tier 4 Visas (a current requirement for non-

European boarders). The Home Office only gives schools a limited number of licenses to issue and would need to increase the number allocated to schools for them to manage this expectation. There would be a significant increase in workload in some UK boarding schools though the impact at Freeman's would not be significant at present.

4. A number of leading independent schools are considering opening international schools in Europe (the Middle East, Far East and – most recently – India have been previous destinations for expansion).

**c) Recent and forthcoming events**

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5. A list of recent and forthcoming events is included for members as *Appendix 2*.

**d) Pupil achievements and successes**

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6. There has been but four school weeks since the last report was received by Governors but they should note a couple of pupil achievements.
7. Five pupils were successful in gaining offers from Oxford and three in receiving offers from Cambridge. One pupil has been given a place to study at Princeton.
8. A pupil in U5 who has been volunteering at Brooklands museum was invited to an event to celebrate student volunteering at The House of Lords and went in School Uniform to the event.
9. The Freeman's U18 Indoor Hockey team travelled to Trinity for the Regional Finals in December, narrowly missing out on a place in the final with a 4-2 defeat against Cranleigh. To come in the top four in the South of England is an incredible achievement and I am reliably informed that all involved showed fantastic passion, skill and teamwork.
10. A group of successful U6 Business and Economics pupils were hosted at Goldsmiths' Hall this week. They were invited to receive their prize for the team displaying greatest integrity which they won at the ICAEW National Finals in July. A huge achievement with just 50 out of the original 4,000 teams who entered making it to the final.
11. In November, Freeman's maths champions made it through to the UKMT national finals. Some of our best senior mathematicians travelled to Epsom College to take part in the UK Mathematics Trust (UKMT) Senior Team Maths Challenge. After three rounds of fast-paced problems including a fiendish crossnumber, the team achieved an amazing joint first place.

12. Superbly run cross country event at Woodbridge School, Suffolk saw Freeman's Inter girls compete in the National Finals of the ESAA Cross Country Cup in November. Overall the girls team came 16th in the country, an excellent performance.
13. I had a lovely email from a recent Head of School, who went on from Freeman's to read Chemistry at Oxford; she shared the happy news with me that Somerville elected her to a scholarship last month, for her examination results and tutorial work in the last two and a bit years.

## **Appendices**

- Appendix 1: School Roll
- Appendix 2: Recent and Forthcoming Events

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