



Thank you to all the boys and girls for their continued efforts during a very busy term. We are looking forward to the sun shining in the summer term as we embark on our cricket, rounders and athletics fixtures.

Please continue to send your children's personal sporting highlights out of school. As ever we are keen to celebrate all their successes. Please email details and any images to editor@downsend.co.uk

Please keep an eye on <u>www.schoolssports.com</u> for team sheets and match results follow us on Twitter @DownsendSport.

Howard Roberts & Marie Seivewright

Team of the Week

Congratulations to the boys and girls who won the Downsend Sports League last term. For the boys, the winning team was the U7 E Football team and for the girls, the winners were the U12 A Netball team! Well done to both teams.

Jon Albert

Saturday Sports Club

As per my original information at the end of last term, due to the bank holiday weekend, there will be NO Saturday Sports Club this Saturday 29 April. It was a great to see so many of you last weekend; we look forward to seeing you again the following Saturday 06 May.

Jon Albert





London Marathon

Despite saying I would never run a marathon, on Sunday I completed the London Marathon for the first and only time!

Having collected my number and race pack at the expo on the Wednesday before, the nerves were really starting to kick in. Mr Roberts kindly drove me to the start line bright and early on Sunday morning where I met up with a friend from my running club (and ex Downsend Parent). After a few cups of tea and numerous visits to the toilet we started to make our way to the start line!

At 10am promptly the race started and we were off. The thought of running 26.2 miles was still slightly

scary despite having completed the months of training. Before long I was at the Cutty Sark, only 20 more miles to go! The atmosphere and support from the crowds helped to lift my spirits when the pain was starting to get me down. Having suffered quite badly from blisters in training I could feel them developing (and bursting!) as I ran but I pushed on through as I was determined I was going to get my medal.

As I ran along the Embankment at around 24 miles the support grew immensely with all the charity cheer points helping the runners in the last few miles. As I approached the Epilepsy Research cheer point it was great to see Mrs Crow and Mrs Graham along with other friends and family shouting my name and telling me how fresh I looked - I certainly wasn't feeling fresh! After a brief chat with them I pushed on to the finish line.

It wasn't pretty, it wasn't easy and it wasn't fast but I completed it, something I never thought I would say - 'I've finished the London Marathon!'

Thank you so much to all the parents who have sponsored me and helped raise such a significant amount for our worthy school charity. Thank you also to Mrs Graham for her support throughout but also a massive thank you to Mrs Crow who has helped me train, pushed me on when I doubted myself and was there to cheer me on and provide me with pretzels on the day itself. I am now looking forward to returning to smaller distance events once the blisters have healed!

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Marie Seivewright





Match Results

Cricket

U11A Staines Prep Won
U9A Cranmore Won
U9B Cranmore Lost
U9C Cranmore Lost
U9D Cranmore Lost
U11A Cranmore Lost
U11B Cranmore Lost
U11C Cranmore Lost

Other Sporting News

On Sunday Ashtead Allstars Netball Club held their end of season tournament at Downsend School. Congratulations to Eliza K (Year 6) who received 2016-2017 star player award for U11A team. Her award was presented by Mikki Austin from Surrey Storm. Well done!



Congratulations to our year 4's Louis L, Luca C-S, Ralphie A, Charlie K and Alex D on a fantastic season at Ashtead Football club which ended with them winning the Epsom and Ewell league Presidents Cup last Saturday. Well done boys!

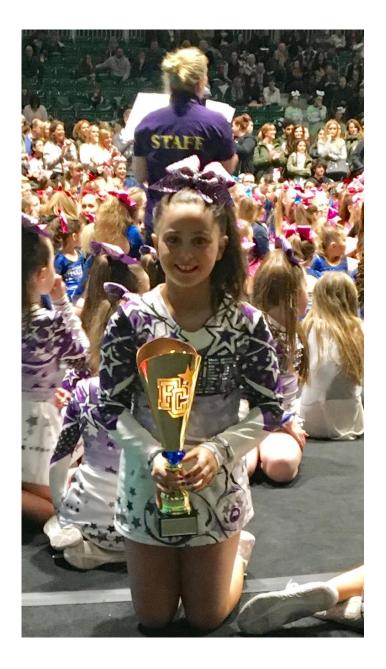


Sofia H (Year 6) has been successful at the recent European Karate Championships where she did extremely well and came 8th in Europe. Out of the 23 girls that were in her category only 4 where not Romanian including Sofia so she had lots of strong competition.

Sophia has also recently found out that she is now going to be sponsored by the GLL sports Foundation which is another amazing piece of news as they had over 1500 applicants.

Well done Sofia!

Well done to Brooke and her cheerleading team who won 3rd place in a national competition which took place in Coventry over Easter. This was a huge achievement as it was only her teams second major competition.



Brooke and her cheerleading team also appeared on an episode of Blue Peter recently and the whole team received a Blue Peter badge.



Well done to Joshua Lyon who has been selected for the Surrey Rugby U14 side over the Easter Holidays. This is great recognition of all the hard work he has put in to his rugby. Joshua is already a member of the London Irish RFC Academy and we are very proud of all his achievements over his time at Downsend.

Well done to Kian in Year 2 who has been invited to join AFC Wimbledon following a number of stand-out performances for the Josh Evans Academy and also Ashtead Colts.

Well done to Teddy G in 5SB, who won the Epsom & Ewell League Treasurer's Cup, playing for his club, the Horsley Crusaders last weekend. The Crusaders won a hard fought and tense final, coming out eventual 2-1 winners.



Next Week @ Downsend

Sporting Events



Date	Time	Event		
Tuesday 02 May	2.30pm 2.30pm 4.45pm	Rounders v Danes Hill U11A-C (H) Cricket v Danes Hill U11A&B (H); U11C (A) Tennis v Danes Hill U10 & U13 Boys (A)		
Wednesday 03 May	2.30pm 3.00pm	Cricket v Danes Hill 1st and 3rd XI (H); 2nd, 4th & 5th XI (A) GHS Athletics U10-U13 Girls (A)		
Thursday 04 May	2.45pm 2.45pm 4.00pm 4.30pm	Rounders v Danes Hill U10A-D (A) Cricket v The New Beacon U10A-D (A) Cricket v Cheam Primary U11A (H) – U11 Cup Tennis v Rokeby U12 & U13 Boys (A)		
Friday 05 May	2.45pm 4.00pm 4.30pm	Rounders v Danes Hill U8A&B Athletics – Danes Hill Relays Yrs 5-8 Girls (A) Tennis v CLFS U10 & U12 Boys (A)		
Saturday 06 May	9.30am 9.30am	IAPS National Swimming Finals @ K2, Crawley Cricket v Lanesborough 1st XI & U11A (A); 2nd XI (H)		

Sports Notices

<u>Team Selection Policy and Sport for All</u> <u>Schools Sports Website</u>

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