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Welcome from the PE and Sport Department

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 www.schoolssports.com for team sheets and match results follow us on Twitter @DownsendSport.

Howard Roberts & Marie Seivewright

Team of the Week



U9A Cricket Team

So far the U9 A's remain undefeated, having convincingly won their first 4 games of the season. All their hard work over the winter is clearly paying off with some very professional bowling and fielding performances already under their belts. Although our running between the wickets is causing fielding teams havoc, focus for the remainder of the season is on the difficult skill of batting against the hard ball. Exceptionally well done so far, keep it up!

Albert. R, Conway-Sparks. L, Dodson. A, Knights. C, Khan. L, Rusbridge. I, Huppke. R, Bell. S, Whyte. A, Lemon. L, Guttery-Syme. H

Vs Cranmore	Won by 70 runs
Vs New Beacon	Won by 75 runs
Vs Rokeby	Won by 78 runs
Vs Danes Hill	Won by 30 runs

Swimming



ESSA Swimming - Primary Relays

Following on from the previous success of our swimming teams at the Surrey Round of the ESSA Primary Relay competition we were delighted that all four teams qualified for the South East regional finals. Swimming competitions can be rather tense events as I have witnessed over the years. The chance of going to the national finals was something that all the swimmers wanted and the determination and training demonstrated this.

The medley relays were the first events to take place. Both teams swam extremely well and all improved on their times from the Surrey round. The boy's team were the first to secure their place at the National finals in Sheffield finishing in 3rd place but were moved to 2nd place after a disqualification. The girl's medley team followed suit with some excellent racing, finishing 3rd and ensuring another team was through to Sheffield.

As we progressed to the Freestyle events the boys and girls went into the heats knowing that they needed to safely qualify for the finals on this night and then push themselves even harder in the finals without getting disqualified. Both teams qualified successfully for the finals, in some very close races.

So now to the finals..... the boys knew the final would be tough but they had nothing to lose by giving it their all in what would be their final swim of the night. Unfortunately on this occasion it was not to be for the freestyle team finishing in a very respectable 7th place.

In the girls race safe progression through the heats ensured a high ranking for the final. All they had to do was stay 'safe but fast'. With excellent swimming from all four girls they finished 3rd gaining their second place at the Nationals.

Swimming is extremely challenging as times can be very tight as was evident in many of the other races on the night.

To have 3 teams travel to the National Finals is something that the school is extremely proud of and is the first time during my time at Downsend. Well done to all who took part. You were all a credit to your hard work and determination and great representatives of the school. You made me very proud to watch all of you swim. Thanks again to all the parents for your support, enduring the heat and tension from above.

Marie Seivewright

Rounders



U10 Rounders Tournament @ Downsend

After a couple of days of torrential rain we were unsure as to whether the pitches would be playable on Saturday morning. After a sunny Friday afternoon and no rain overnight the pitches were inspected bright and early on the Saturday and although they were slightly covered in dew, the sun was shining and the tournament went ahead.

10 teams took part over the morning, participating in two different pools. Each team played a minimum of 4 matches before the top two teams from each pool went through to the semi-finals. The Downsend team played extremely well in their first few matches winning both games. They then came up against Holy Cross who were extremely strong whilst batting. Our final game against Notre Dame finished as a draw, resulting in us finishing in second place.

Finishing second in the group meant we progressed to the semi-final to play the winner of the other pool, this was St George's. It was evident from the start that they were a strong and confident team. Despite losing the girls were still in high spirits as they went into the 3rd / 4th play off against local rivals CLFS. A closely fought match ensued and we were unfortunate to lose by only one and a half rounders finishing in 4th place.

Well done to all the girls who participated and thank you to the parents for your continued support. (Gracie N was absent from the photo).

Marie Seivewright

Pick up from practices

Just a quick reminder that all boys and girls must be picked up from the location of the practice by an appropriate adult. Children will not be able to leave to meet parents at any other location.

Match Results

Cricket

Boys U10A	Milbourne Lodge	Won
Boys U10B	Milbourne Lodge	Won
Boys U10C	Milbourne Lodge	Won
Boys U8A	Milbourne Lodge	Won
Boys U8B	Milbourne Lodge	Won
Boys U8C	Milbourne Lodge	Won
Boys U9A	Rokeby	Won
Boys U9B	Rokeby	Won
Boys U9C	Rokeby	Lost
Boys U9A	Danes Hill	Won
Boys U9C	Danes Hill	Lost
Boys U11A	Shrewsbury House	Won

Boys U11B	Shrewsbury House	Won
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Rounders

Girls U13A	The Hawthorns	Won
Girls U12A	The Hawthorns	Won
Girls U9A	St Teresa's	Won
Girls U9B	St Teresa's	Won

Tennis

Boys U10A	Cranmore	Won
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Other Sporting News

On Sunday 14 May, Theo B (40T) along with his Mum and Dad took part in the Epsom Round the Borough Bike Ride - a 20 mile cycle that circled the borough of Epsom. The ride started in Horton Country Park, taking in the Hogsmill River, Nonsuch Park, before climbing up to Epsom Downs, then back down to The Wells and Epsom Common before finishing back at Horton Park. Well done Theo! A great distance for such little legs!

At the end of the ride, the Mayor of Epsom was there to present Theo with his medal!



Next Week @ Downsend

Sporting Events



Date	Time	Event
Tuesday 06 June	2.15pm 2.30pm	Cricket v Cumnor House U11A(A); U11B & C (H) Rounders v Claremont U11A & B (A)
Thursday 08 June	3.15pm	Rounders v Halstead U10A-D (H)
Friday 09 June	2.30pm pm	Yrs 2 & 3 Inter House Rounders Athletics @ Epsom College
Saturday 10 June	9.00am 9.30am	Cricket v Newland House 1 st & 2 nd XI (A); U10A & U11A (H) U11 & U13 Rounders Tournament @Hawthorns

GoFest

GoFest is back in Guildford, 28-29 May

[GoFest](#) is the UK's Family Festival of Sport, Dance, Health & Fitness, aimed at "Uniting Families through Activity" by providing the widest choice of sports and healthy activities at which to "have a Go" over one weekend.

It's for ALL ages and abilities, and will be held at Surrey Sports Park, Guildford. Local dad and former Olympian, Roger Black, is one of several ambassadors and it is supporting a number of charities, including Topic of Cancer.

Tickets are available @ [GoFest South Tickets](#) and are **All Inclusive**. This means that families can take part in as many of the 50+ activities as they wish (45 min coached sessions) from scuba diving and canoeing, to taekwondo, climbing, free running and street dance. There's also main stage entertainment, relaxation areas with restauration, retail and massage... something for everyone!

To take full advantage of the experience, pre-book sessions in advance. Four activities per person can be pre-booked from the very extensive [GoFest 2017 Timetable](#), featuring over 500 sessions and 35 delivery partners. Many more sessions can be booked on the day.

It's a brilliant weekend out and it would be great to support. Please visit [GoFest Facebook](#) and share with friends via [Facebook Event Page](#).

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