



# DOWNSEND SCHOOL

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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](mailto:editor@downsend.co.uk)

Please keep an eye on [www.schoolssports.com](http://www.schoolssports.com) for team sheets and match results. Follow us on Twitter @DownsendSport.

*Howard Roberts & Marie Seivewright*

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## Team Sheets

All team sheets are posted on the schools sports website at least 2 days in advance of the scheduled matches. Please do check through the calendar to see when all matches are for your son/daughter's year

group. It is common practice that they are predominately on the same afternoon but on occasions this may differ.

The link to the Downsend home page is [here](http://www.schoolssports.com/school/?id=958) - <http://www.schoolssports.com/school/?id=958>  
Alternatively you can click on the link at the top of the Downsend website.

Once you are in the website you can either select the team by the calendar option or by the sport that is needed. A small icon that looks like a little blue man will appear if the team sheet has been added. This provides all the information that will be needed for the match.

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## Hockey



On Saturday the U10 Hockey team travelled the short distance to St Teresa's for an early season tournament. These early opportunities are always a welcome addition to the calendar as it allows continuous match play and an opportunity for the players to repeatedly practice patterns of play and individual skills.

The aim of the morning was to try and play the recently introduced attacking patterns, be more disciplined about positioning and show the left to right drag, elimination skill, as often as possible. Armed with plenty of enthusiasm (and the promise of sweets for anyone seen to deliver on any of the above points) we had a fun morning which gave us a great learning experience and equally important some 'bling' as we finished third.

It is going to be a steep learning curve but I was impressed with the positive and focused approach by the whole squad. Well done to you all!

*Claire Cooper-James*



### **1st VII Hockey Tournament at Danes Hill – Saturday 23 September.**

A very early start on Saturday morning saw the 1st VII hockey girls meet at Danes Hill at 8.15am ready to start their first match at 8.40am against the hosts. We started well but couldn't keep the Danes Hill attackers out of the D, allowing them to take their chances at goal, converting two.

Not disheartened the girls focused on the next games Feltonfleet, St Georges, Cranleigh, Hawthorns and Edgeborough. Each game saw the team gathering momentum and playing with more confidence. As the tournament progressed we had more possession of the ball, defended well and created a number of attacking opportunities sadly we lacked the power on our final shot and was unable to convert the chances.

It was a long morning but one that provided great experience and an opportunity to play against strong opposition. We all agreed that our focus over the next few weeks was fitness and attacking with power and pace.

Well done girls. Great progress being made.

*Fiona Fitch*

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## Football



### **Year 2s Win Cranmore U7 Football Tournament**

On Saturday morning seven very excited year 2 boys arrived at Cranmore for their first ever competitive tournament. The boys were set two targets for the morning, to try and get as many golden tickets as possible (receive the ball on their back foot and turn out) and to always play with a smile.

In the first match we played The Rowans and won 2-0. We then played straight away against Parkside, a match we drew 0-0. Then we were straight back on again against Wimbledon Common, again drawing 0-0. During these three matches the boys made superb progress, beginning to find space and move the ball brilliantly with a number of passes.

After a short break we played our final group game against Cranmore B, winning 5-0. In this match all the progress began to come to fruition and the opposition could not deal with the way the ball moved around the pitch.

This meant we had finished second in our group and faced Cranmore A in the semi-final of the main competition. Again the Downsend play was great to watch as the boys enjoyed themselves and scored two fantastic goals to win the semi-final 2-0.

The final was against Cumnor House and, after a quick chat with the brilliant Mr Evans, the boys went on to the pitch with big smiles and full of energy.. The match was very evenly contested with the physicality and speed of the Cumnor boys proving more of a test for the Downsend boys than anything they had faced earlier in the tournament. The boys stayed committed to trying to get their golden tickets and moving the ball to space and were rewarded with a goal in the second half. This proved enough for Downsend to claim the win and be crowned champions!

This was a really enjoyable Saturday morning for all involved. The boys played brilliantly and were great to work with. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and their enjoyment of the game throughout. I would like to thank all the parents for their support throughout the morning.

*James Thompson*

Team from: Jake D, Luke G, Felix G, Sam H, Kobi J, Rory S, Dylan W

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## Swimming



Last Friday saw the first of many galas for the boys and girls swim squads. A trip to Feltonfleet for the U9-11's was a new experience for many. All the boys and girls swam extremely well and should be proud of their achievements. The final score was a solid win for Downsend beating Feltonfleet 158 - 102.

*Miss Seivewright*

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## 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.

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## Change of Date

**Please note the following change of date to the school calendar.**

The scheduled Year 2 & 3 Inter-house events will now take place on Friday 10th November.

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## House Events



### House Football So Far

It has been great to see such great football at the start of term. We have had a number of house tournaments and each has been fiercely contested with all the boys giving their all for their house.

The results so far are as follows:

#### **Year 2**

1st - Norbury and Wisley

2nd - Headley and Ranmore

### Year 3

1st - Wisley

2nd - Ranmore, Headley and Norbury

### Year 4

1st - Ranmore

2nd - Headley

3rd - Wisley

4th - Norbury

### Year 5

1st - Headley

2nd - Ranmore

3rd - Norbury

4th - Wisley

*James Thompson*

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## Match Results

### Football

1 <sup>st</sup> XI	Cumnor House	Won
2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	Cumnor House	Won
3 <sup>rd</sup> XI	Cumnor House	Won
4 <sup>th</sup> XI	Cumnor House	Lost
U11A	Bishopsgate	Won
U8A	Cumnor House	Lost
U8B	Cumnor House	Won
U8C	Cumnor House	Lost
U8D	Cumnor House	Drew
U8E	Cumnor House	Drew
U8F	Cumnor House	Won
U11A	Feltonfleet	Won
U11A	Thomas's Clapham	Won
U11A	Hawthorns	Drew
U11B	Feltonfleet	Won
U11B	Thomas's Clapham	Won
U11B	Hawthorns	Won
U11C	Feltonfleet	Drew
U11C	Thomas's Clapham	Won

U11C	Hawthorns	Lost
U11A	Cranmore	Lost
U11B	Cranmore	Drew
U11C	Cranmore	Drew
U11D	Cranmore	Lost
U11E	Cranmore	Lost

## Hockey

1 <sup>st</sup> VII	St Teresa's	Lost
2 <sup>nd</sup> VII	St Teresa's	Lost
3 <sup>rd</sup> VII	Cranleigh	Lost
4 <sup>th</sup> VII	Cranleigh	Lost
U10A	St Teresa's	Lost
U10B	St Teresa's	Won
1 <sup>st</sup> VII	Tournament @ Danes Hill	6 <sup>th</sup>
U10A	Tournament @ St Teresa's	Bronze
U9A	Danes Hill	Lost
U9B	Danes Hill	Lost
U9C	Danes Hill	Lost
U11A	Danes Hill	Lost
U11B	Danes Hill	Lost
U11C (Red)	Danes Hill	Won
U11C (Black)	Danes Hill	Won

## Swimming

U9-11	Mixed v Feltonfleet	Won
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## Other Sporting News

Well done to ex pupil Arun Watkins who played for Dorking RFC from the age of 7, and part of the Surrey DPP training system for 2 years (from U13s to U15s) attended a summer rugby camp. Arun performed well in the residential camp, being awarded player of the week out of 100 players. One of the coaches was involved with the London Scottish Rugby academy, and suggested to Arun that he come along for a trial for their academy. Arun attended, and whilst he was smaller than most of the others due to age and physical development, it went really well and within a few weeks he started to play for the U17s (as an U15). Arun is now first choice at 9 (he still plays hooker for Epsom College) and is representing the London Scottish Academy at Under 18 (2 years early). Arun has played against teams such as Wasps, Ealing Trailfinders academy and touring sides from the Netherlands, Germany and Portugal. Arun continues to learn and is trying to get better each session.



Well done to Robbie D who was declared 'Man of the Match' on Saturday when his team Bookham Colts U9 Lions defeated Roundshaw Colts U9 Spitfires 4-2.



Well done to Daniel and Jessica Reid who both completed a 15km bike ride around Ashted at the weekend in support of Rihanna's Fund charity. The charity supports children in India and Africa helping to provide access to care and education.



Surrey Cricket's winter coaching courses start at Downsend in October and there are still some places available for aspiring young players in Years 7 and 8 on the courses which run from 2.30-4pm on Saturdays.

Some of the current Surrey squad started their playing journeys on these courses with Ollie Pope and Ryan Patel two of the most recent graduates to make it into the Surrey 1st XI.

For more information and to book click [here](#) or contact Katie Baker on 0207 820 4190.

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## Next Week @ Downsend

Please see a list of next week's fixtures at [www.schoolssports.com](http://www.schoolssports.com)

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## Sports Notices

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[Schools Sports Website](#)  
[Sports Fixture Line](#)

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