



# DOWNSEND SCHOOL

## Sports Bulletin

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### Welcome from the PE and Sport Department

In the middle of a busy term all the pupils are having a great time with their sport. We do find difficulties on occasion, with a number of pupils who are unable to make some Saturday fixtures. We appreciate that odd things do come up at short notice which means a child is unable to take part. However, we do ask everyone to look through the calendar at the start of term and have dates ready in their diaries. Early notification from parents to let us know if their child is unable to attend the match is always appreciated, minimising the disruption of a late call up for other pupils who are coming in to help the team.

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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## Football



### **U8A's Claim 3rd Place at Cumnor House Football Tournament**

Congratulations to the U8A team who beat Danes Hill in the 3/4 play off on Friday. Having played some great football with only one goal throughout the entire tournament, which unfortunately came against Cranmore in our group stage. Having not taken numerous chances against them, they scored with a break away goal in the dying minutes, leaving us second place in the group and unable to compete for the main cup but went on to win the plate competition. Another great performance by all, well done to the entire squad.

*Mr Albert*



### **U9A's Put in Superb Performance at the Royal Russell Tournament**

The U9A football team represented the school with aplomb as they finished as runners up at the U9 Royal Russell tournament on Saturday. Winning six of seven matches and drawing in the final, the boys were unfortunate to not win the penalty shoot out. There were some significant highlights including one of the best performances any Downsend team has produced to beat a strong Royal Russel side during the group stage. This was a great team effort that all the boys should be incredibly proud of.

#### **Group Stage Results**

Downsend 4 – 0 Northcote Lodge  
Downsend 2 – 0 Shrewsbury House  
Downsend 4 – 0 Banstead Prep  
Downsend 1 – 0 Royal Russel  
Downsend 2 -0 Elmhurst

#### **Semi Final**

Downsend 1 – 0 Shrewsbury House

#### **Final**

Downsend 0 – 0 Royal Russel (pens)

*Mr Thompson*

## **U9B Team win their second tournament this Year**

Well done to the U9B Football Team for winning the Royal Russell Tournament last Saturday. The mighty B's did not let the miserable conditions affect their performance and the way they moved the ball around. We were fantastic at keeping possession and scored numerous high quality goals to reach the final and secure another tournament win! Exceptionally well done to both the B's and the A's for an amazing display of football.

### **Group matches**

vs Royal Russell C's	Won 6-0
vs Banstead Prep	Won 5-0
vs Royal Russell B's	Won 4-0
vs Elmhurst	Won 3-0

### **Final**

vs Elmhurst	Won 3-1
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*Mr Albert*

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## **Hockey**



### **U13 IAPS Regional Finals – Tonbridge School**

The 1<sup>st</sup> VII team equipped themselves fantastically last Wednesday as they took part in the Regional IAPS tournament at Tonbridge school in Kent. The squad were excited and positive as they looked to face four new and unknown schools, always much nicer than facing the same local sides! Arriving in plenty of time to explore the sports facilities and then set out our base pitchside, the two captains, Lauren D and Emma B, took the team off for a good warm up.

The first game pushed back at 10am against Bedales Prep school. Downsend started strongly, had the majority of possession but we were not clinical enough inside the D. Fortunately, in the second half, Kitty S took the half time advice and powerfully struck the ball from the top of the D to give Downsend the start they needed with a 1-0 win.

Next up was Swanbourne House. Very similar to the first game, Downsend playing some good hockey from defence and through the midfield but sadly we were unable to convert the possession and opportunities. In the second half, Swanbourne took advantage of a momentary lack of concentration from Downsend and scored a goal which gave them the 3 points instead of us.

Downsend picked themselves up for the game against Brighton Prep, who were strong and passed the ball well around the pitch. Downsend matched them. Great defensive work from Lucy P and Lauren D preventing Brighton's constant attacks entering the D and Sofia H keeping the ball out of the goal. This was always going to be a close game, the ball was played from D to D and both teams had opportunities to take the lead. Finally in the second half, Emma B picked up the ball and beautifully hit it into their goal. The rest of the game was played out nervously and praying Downsend could hold on to the lead. This they did, to take the 3 points.

We knew going into the final game against Junior Kings that we needed to score lots of goals to stand a chance of going through to the quarter finals. Junior Kings had won all their games convincingly and started strongly scoring some well taken goals. Downsend battled hard, never giving up. Chloe C and Emma B put some great attacking play together on the right hand side; Lucy P and Lauren D clearing the ball from defence time after time; Kitty S, even after being hit on the hand, showing true grit and determination in the midfield; Sophie E and Eve J applying pressure on the defenders and Alice L and Sofia H making some good saves. All in all Kings were stronger and more clinical in their finishing but we gave it a fantastic effort and the whole squad could not have given more to the game. Myself and Miss Ceci were extremely proud of how the girls performed throughout the day. They were a credit to Downsend and for most, their final IAPS hockey.

Well done to all of you.

*Mrs Fitch and Miss Ceci*

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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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## 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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## Match Results

### Football

U10A	New Beacon	Won
U10B	New Beacon	Won
U10C	New Beacon	Won
U10D	New Beacon	Lost
U10E	New Beacon	Lost
U8B	Danes Hill	Lost
U8C	Danes Hill	Drew
U8D	Danes Hill	Lost
U8E	Danes Hill	Won
U10A	Lanesborough	Drew
U10B	Lanesborough	Won

U10A	Parkside	Won
U10B	Parkside	Won
1 <sup>st</sup> XI	New Beacon	Won
2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	New Beacon	Lost

### Hockey

2 <sup>nd</sup> VII	Danes Hill	Won
3 <sup>rd</sup> VII	Danes Hill	Won
4 <sup>th</sup> VII	Danes Hill 4 <sup>th</sup> VII	Lost
4 <sup>th</sup> VII	Danes Hill 5 <sup>th</sup> VII	Drew
U10A	Holy Cross	Lost
U10B	Holy Cross	Lost
U8A	St Teresa's	Drew
U8B	St Teresa's	Won
U11C (Red)	Manor House	Drew
U11C (Black)	Manor House	Won

### Swimming

Boys	Cranmore	Won
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## Other Sporting News

Well done to Aston S from 3NL took part in his first junior golf tournament at the weekend.



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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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