



# DOWNSEND SCHOOL

## Sports Bulletin

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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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## Badminton



Last Tuesday fourteen Year 8 girls travelled to Guildford High School to play in a friendly badminton fixture.

This is a new entry to the sporting calendar and provided the girls with a competitive opportunity to put all their developing badminton skills into practice.

21 doubles matches were played in total with each pair playing at least 3 matches. Many of the matches were extremely close but overall the more experienced Guildford High Team were victorious.

A special mention should go to Hannah G & Riley H who won all of their very close matches and also to Kitty S and Amelia T who won 3 of their 4 matches, only narrowly missing out 21-18 to their top seeded pair.

It was lovely to see the girls entering into the spirit of friendly competition with such enthusiasm and we hope to continue this addition to the fixture calendar next year with the next crop of Year 8 pupils.

*Mrs Cooper-James*

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## Netball



### **Downsend U11A & B Netball Tournament**

Last Saturday saw us host our annual U11A & B Netball Tournaments. Despite the cold conditions the tournaments went ahead as scheduled. It was great to see nearly 120 girls playing, continuing to raise the profile of girls sport.

### **A's Tournament**

This tournament saw the girls compete in their third tournament in as many weeks. Our first match against The Study saw us play well, demonstrating some excellent set plays from the centre passes. End to end play saw us taking our first win of the tournament 5-4. Next up were local rivals CLFS. Once again the play was end to end and despite having more opportunities to score the final result was a 4-4. Having drawn the match we knew we would need to score a number of goals in our next match in case the final result came down to goal difference. After a slow start against St Teresa's the girls pulled ahead to win 5-1. After a short break we were back on against Danes Hill. Unfortunately the weather had taken a turn for the worse and slippery conditions did not go in our favour, resulting in a 1-4 loss. Our final game of the tournament was against unknown opponents, Halstead. Despite trying to pick ourselves up from the loss against Danes Hill the girls were unable to outwit the eventual tournament winners! As the final results were read out it was clear to see that the goals scored on this occasion were important. A tie on points between us and CLFS meant that the goals for were counted - we scored one more than CLFS and were

awarded the bronze medals! It is important in tournament play to score as many goals as possible as it can so often come down to goals scored or difference to decide placings in such events.

Well done to the girls for their continued efforts and the parents for once again braving the conditions on the side line.

*Miss Seivewright*

### **B's Tournament**

After a wet, cold start to the morning, the girls were geared up to begin an energetic morning of netball.

The girl's first opponent was the Study. Although the team made a slow start, the girls forced on improving their defensive play by applying more pressure on The Study. Their efforts in this area were rewarded with the girls finishing with a 2-2 draw. After a short break, the second match to be played was against CLFS. This was a close match, with the girls demonstrating some excellent movement and quick decision making. Unfortunately, due to some excellent shooting opportunity from Freemans, the final score finished 3-4 in CLFS favour.

With time for a quick team talk between matches, the girls were back on court to play Hawthorns. This was an opportunity for the girls to improve some of the mistakes made in the previous match - which they did brilliantly to secure a 4-0 win.

Unfortunately the weather was not on our side for the last two matches. Although the team applied themselves well on court, we finished with a draw against Danes Hill (1-1) and a loss against a well drilled Halstead Team (1-3). For a number of the girls, this was the first time they had played together and their attitude and commitment was commendable. Although we finished in 4th place overall, it is hoped that the girls will continue to work on their key areas of development and move forward, in a stronger position, for our next fixture.

*Mrs Topa*

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**Swimming**



Well done to all the Downsend pupils who took part in last week's IAPS Regional Swimming event held at the City of London Freeman's pool. A total of seven schools took part in the time trials throughout the evening, with each individual swimmer competing in their chosen stroke over 25 or 50 metres. The relay teams from all of the schools also put in some great times. All of this competition gave the swimmers a good idea of their unofficial ranking. Everyone now faces the wait, as the times are compared against swimmers from other regional events, to see if they were fast enough to take part in the National Finals in June, being held at the London Aquatic Centre - home of the 2012 Olympics. My thanks to all the Downsend staff who ran the event. A final note of thanks also to City Of London Freeman's who kindly gave us the use of their pool, as the Downsend pool was temporarily out of action.

*Mr Roberts & Miss Seivewright*

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## **Sports Kit**

The Spring Term can tend to be one of the coldest terms so it is vitally important that all the boys and girls have the essential kit in school at all times.

All pupils should have a base layer (girls - white, boys - black) and full tracksuit. Girls are advised to wear plain black base layer leggings too.

Any pupils that feel the cold are more than welcome to wear more layers underneath the main Downsend kit.

For netball the girls will be allowed to train in hats and non-slip gloves (in school colours) but these cannot be worn for matches.

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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/carers at any other location.

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## Match Results

### Rugby

U13A	Rokeby	Lost
U12A	Rokeby	Lost
U13B	Rokeby	Lost
U13A	Milbourne Lodge	Won
U12A	Milbourne Lodge	Won
U9A	New Beacon	Won
U9B	New Beacon	Won
U9C	New Beacon	Won
U9D	New Beacon	Won
U9E	New Beacon	Won



U11A	Rokeby	Lost
U11B	Rokeby	Won
U11C	Rokeby	Won
U11D	Rokeby	Won

### Netball

1 <sup>st</sup>	Lord Wandsworth College	Won
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lord Wandsworth College	Won
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lord Wandsworth College	Lost
4 <sup>th</sup>	Lord Wandsworth College	Lost
U8A	CLFS	Lost
U8B	CLFS	Won
U8C	CLFS	Lost
U8D	CLFS	Lost
U8A	St Teresa's	Won
U8B	St Teresa's	Won
U9A	St Teresa's	Won
U9B	St Teresa's	Won
U11B	Hampton Court House	Won

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## Other Sporting News

At the weekend Sofia H (Year 7) competed in The English Karate Classic Championships 2018. This is the first competition of 2018 and with great pride Sofia managed to win first place, meaning she has retained this title for 3 years. Well done Sofia.



Surbiton Hockey Club are holding a February Half Term Colts Camp. Details can be found on their website [here](#) and the links to sign up are below. They have some great coaches and ideas for the camp which will include a lot more game play each day.

[Colts Camp - School years 6-9](#)

[Academy Camp - School years 1-5](#)



COLTS CAMP	SHC HALF TERM CAMPS	ACADEMY CAMP
SCHOOL YEAR 6 TO YEAR 9		SCHOOL YEAR 1 TO YEAR 5
12/2, 13/2, 14/2		13/2, 16/2
10.00 - 16.00		10.00 - 16.00
3 DAY - £110* 2 DAY - £90* 1 DAY - £50*		2 DAY - £90* 1 DAY - £50*
TO BOOK PLEASE GO TO <a href="http://bit.ly/2j2y1bc">HTTP://BIT.LY/2J2Y1BC</a>		TO BOOK PLEASE GO TO <a href="http://bit.ly/2jxzbnh">HTTP://BIT.LY/2JXZBNH</a>
<small>* PLUS BOOKING FEE</small>		<small>* PLUS BOOKING FEE</small>

**SHC HALF TERM CAMPS**

- \* INTERNATIONAL AND FIRST TEAM PLAYERS
- \* REGULAR SHC ELITE JUNIOR COACHES
- \* FREE T-SHIRT WITH EVERY CAMP
- \* LATE PICK UP/EARLY DROP OFF AVAILABLE
- \* COMPETITIONS AND PRIZES TO BE WON
- \* HELD AT SHC THE LARGEST AND MOST SUCCESSFUL CLUB IN THE UK
- \* HOME OF THE MENS AND LADIES PREMIER LEAGUE CHAMPIONS
- \* HOME OF THE EHCC 2018



Surbiton Colts



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SJB Academy are also offering Half Term coaching courses, for more information, please visit their website [here](#).








GB INTERNATIONAL  
MICHAEL HOARE WILL  
BE JOINING US ON  
12TH FEB!

**Michael Hoare**  
Player Great Britain

## HOCKEY ACADEMY

### INTERNATIONAL FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOCKEY CAMP

Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th February 2018

10.30AM—4PM

- Both days will have high level coaching from current International and National Premier League players
- GB superstar & Rio Olympian Michael Hoare attending on 12th coaching each small group on the day as well as giving a lunch time talk and signing autographs at end of day
- Catering for players aged between 7 - 16 and from beginner to advanced level
- Specialist goalkeeper coaching
- Perfect preparation for the second half of the hockey season
- Please email [peter.friend@caterhamschool.co.uk](mailto:peter.friend@caterhamschool.co.uk) for more information

**Location**  
Caterham School  
CR3 6YA


**Cost per day**  
£50 per day or £90  
for two days

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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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