



# DOWNSEND SCHOOL

## Sports Bulletin

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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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## Girls Cricket



### **U10A Danes Hill Cricket Festival**

Last Thursday the U10A Cricket team travelled to Danes Hill to participate in the inaugural U10 Danes Hill Cricket Festival. The festival was the girl's first experience of pairs cricket, and the first time in which they had played against a competitive opposition. Each team was required to play two matches.

The U10A were first up, playing the first match of the tournament against Feltonfleet. We won the toss at the beginning of the match, and opted to bat second. Each of the girls involved demonstrated consistent and accurate bowling, giving away very few wide or no balls. This was a fantastic achievement given that they have only been learning the skill for the past four weeks. Feltonfleet took full advantage of our bowling, and managed to secure 249 runs by the end of their batting innings. The U10 Downsend team then came into bat, and although each pair worked well, unfortunately, the inconsistency of bowling made it very difficult for them to score runs. The first game finished 249-207 to Feltonfleet.

After a break and a tactical team talk, Downsend were back up to face Danes Hill in their second match, batting first. Each pair demonstrated better communication and begun to demonstrate more confidence in taking chances to score runs. Unfortunately, Danes Hill demonstrated quick fielding, which made it difficult to score and Downsend finished their innings on 228. The second batting innings allowed Danes Hill to demonstrate their ability to play the ball wide and score fours and sixes. Unfortunately this allowed them to score runs quickly and the game finished 273-228 to Danes Hill.

Although the girls were somewhat disappointed with their final position of third, the afternoon was enjoyed by all, and gave the team lots of experience of the competitive game, allowing them to develop a better tactical understanding of the game. Moving forward, the girls are excited for their next competitive opportunity to apply their newly acquired knowledge!

*Mrs Topa*



### **U11 Girls Cricket – Surrey Star Burst Competition**

With the development of the girls' cricket at Downsend we entered the above competition to assist with the game in competitive situations. Twenty seven schools across the county have been divided into rough geographical groups where all need to play each other with the top school in each group being invited to play in the Finals Day later this term.

Monday afternoon saw us head to Banstead Prep for the first two matches in this event. Following on from the success at the Danes Hill tournament the girls were excited to be playing again although slightly nervous.

Our first game against Cheam Park Farm saw us open the batting strongly without conceding any wickets. Our final score was 300 which left a lot for Cheam Park Farm to chase. As we moved to the field our bowlers started well preventing many runs from being scored and taking 5 wickets resulting in a win to Downsend.

Next we played the hosts, Banstead Prep. Once again we opened the batting strongly and despite a couple of wickets falling we had scored 269. We knew moving into the field we had to once again prevent Banstead from scoring. The improvement throughout the game from the girls saw 3 wickets fall in the first two overs and the fall of wickets continued with another 4 falling in the next 2 overs. The final score was 269 to 212.

A successful afternoon for the girls and with one game to play in the group stages the team are in a strong position.

Well done to all.

*Miss Seivewright*

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## **Boys Cricket**

### **U11 Cumnor House Cricket 6s**

Last Friday six of our U11 boys travelled to Cumnor House to take part in their annual six a side tournament. The day started with a tough fixture against a good Cumnor House team. We made 48 from our five overs against some accurate bowling. We then bowled and fielded magnificently to bowl Cumnor out for just over 30 runs. Our next match saw us take on Rokeby and we batted first again, this time batting with greater freedom and scoring 75 off our 5 overs.

Ben B was retired as he passed 50 in the 3<sup>rd</sup> over. We then bowled with control but struggled to maintain our discipline and concentration but won with Rokeby making around 55 runs in response. We then had two comfortable victories against Royal Russell and Hornsby House, bowling both sides out for 30 and chasing the target down in a straightforward manner. This set up a final against Rokeby and we batted first again. We scored an incredible 91 from our 5 overs with Ben B again passing 50. We then put in an improved bowling display to allow Rokeby only 45 in response.

A great day was had by all the boys and this was a tournament they thoroughly deserved to win. Some great batting was backed up by some accurate bowling and good catching. Thank you to the boys for all their hard work and to the Mums and Dads who supported us as well.

Team from: Ben B, Oliver B, Will K, Jack M, Alex T and George V

*James Thompson*

### **U11A Cricket Cup Update**

The Year 6 A team have been entered into two cricket cups this term; the Surrey prep Schools' Cricket Cup and the Verney Cricket Cup. We have had a great start to the season and are still in each of the cups.

In the Surrey Prep Schools' Cup we have reached the semi-finals after victories against Danes Hill and King's House. Both of these were hard fought matches against strong opposition. The King's House match particularly will live long in the memory as we were bowled out for a below par 80 but then fielded incredibly well to bowl them out 76 and win by 4 runs. This has set up a semi-final which will be played against either King's College Junior School, Wimbledon or Milbourne Lodge.

In the Verney cup we played our first fixture yesterday evening and produced a dominant display to beat Whitgift by nine wickets. We now have a quarter final to look forward to against Shrewsbury House. This has been a really promising start to the season and with continued hard work and commitment this side has the potential to do some fantastic things this term.

*James Thompson*

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## **Athletics**



### **U8 and U9 Athletics Meeting at Guildford High School**

Last Thursday saw a group of girls from Years 3 and 4 travel across the Spectrum in Guildford for an athletics meeting. For some of the girls this was their first taste of such a competition. Luckily the weather was far better than the previous week's event.

The competition started with a relay event down the 110m straight before the girls headed off to various events on the track and in the field.

The girls performed exceptionally well and should be proud of their achievements so early in the term. We look forward to their continued efforts as we progress with the athletics.

*Miss Seivewright*

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## Swimming



### **ESSA Swimming - South East Round**

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 boys started the evening with the medley relays and the girls started with the freestyle relay. The main objective was to ensure the change overs were safe and qualify for the finals. The boys qualified in 8<sup>th</sup> position and the girls narrowly missed out on the final and finished in 10<sup>th</sup> place.

The boys headed into the final determined to improve their position and time. An improvement in time resulted in a 7<sup>th</sup> place finish for the boys.

The next set of events saw the boys and girls swap over. The boys were first in the pool with the freestyle relay, again successfully qualifying for the final. The girls swam a great race in the medley and again were just outside qualifying for the final in a very respectable 9<sup>th</sup> position. The boys once again headed to the final, swimming consistently well and finishing in 8<sup>th</sup> position.

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

Congratulations to all who took part and thank you to the parents for your support. We now look forward to the IAPS National Finals in June.

*Miss 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](#). 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.

***Don't forget you will now need the password to access the team sheets.***

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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

### Boys Cricket

U10A	CLFS	Won
U10C	CLFS	Won
U8A	Cranmore	Lost
U8B	Cranmore	Lost
U8C	Cranmore	Lost
U8D	Cranmore	Lost
1 <sup>st</sup>	Rokeby	Lost
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rokeby	Lost
U9A	St George's	Won
U9B	St George's	Won
U9C	St George's	Won
1 <sup>st</sup>	CLFS	Won
2 <sup>nd</sup>	CLFS	Lost
3 <sup>rd</sup>	CLFS	Won
4 <sup>th</sup>	CLFS	Lost

### Girls Cricket

U10B	Danes Hill	Lost
U9A	St Teresa's	Won
U9B	St Teresa's	Won

### Tennis

Girls U12/U13	Danes Hill	Won
Boys U13	Parkside	Lost
Boys U11	Parkside	Won
Boys U10	Danes Hill	Lost
Boys U11	Danes Hill	Won

### Rounders

U11A	CLFS	Won
U11B	CLFS	Won
U11C	CLFS	Lost
U11D	CLFS	Lost
U12/U13 1 <sup>st</sup>	CLFS	Won
U12/U13 2 <sup>nd</sup>	CLFS	Lost
U12/U13 3 <sup>rd</sup>	CLFS	Lost
U12/U13 4 <sup>th</sup>	CLFS	Lost

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## Other Sporting News

Well done to Teddy G who took part in Horsley's annual football tournament last weekend consisting of 20 teams in the U11 group. After 6 games in sweltering heat, his team eventually won a hard fought final. Congratulations!



Well done to Dan R (6ST) who participated in the Boulbi Cup 2018 Ice hockey tournament in Paris over the bank holiday weekend as part of the Guildford U11 Fireflies. The team came 3rd on the day and 6th overall in the tournament. Guildford were the only team to participate from England - well done to Dan and his team!



Well done to Kobi B 2CW who completed Little Welly's this weekend. Congratulations!



Well done to April B and Megan R who took part in the national Swimathon sponsored swim at the Dorking Sports Centre to raise money for the charities Marie Curie Cancer Care and Cancer Research. The girls swam the maximum 5km distance (200 lengths) and completed it in 1 hour 32 minutes which was a huge personal best time for them both. It has now been confirmed that Megan recorded the fastest time in the whole country for a 5km swim in the 9 years and under age category which is a fantastic achievement. They raised lots of money for charity too! Congratulations!

The Dorking Lawn Tennis and Squash Club 2018 Audrey Hughes Junior Open Tennis Tournament is now open for entry:

[Entry forms now available](#)

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YEARS 5&6



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or email: [girlsrugby@dorkingrfc.com](mailto:girlsrugby@dorkingrfc.com)



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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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