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Welcome from the Sports 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](https://twitter.com/DownsendSport)

The Sports Department

U13 7's Tournament @ Shrewsbury House



On Monday the U13 7's side played in the Shrewsbury House 7's tournament. We were drawn in a very difficult group but the boys showed superb character to not only compete against but beat some very strong sides. The first game was against Shrewsbury House and after 3 minutes we were 0-15 down. A bit of 're-grouping' took place under the posts and all of a sudden the boys sparked into life and came back to draw the game 20-20. In the next game we played Langley Park, a big all boys grammar school. We battled superbly well to draw the game 15-15 leaving us without a win but also unbeaten in the group. The next 2 games were against Kings House and Feltonfleet and we won both at a canter resulting in us qualifying 2nd in the group and going into the plate competition.

First up we were drawn against a very physical Yardley Court side who gave us an excellent game which we successfully came through winning 15-5. We then faced Dulwich College Prep in the final game. Dulwich had a strike runner who ultimately was the difference between the 2 sides. We narrowly lost the game 10-15 but I couldn't fault the boys for the monumental effort that they had shown throughout the day and especially in this final game. A proud moment for the boys, for me as a teacher and the schools rugby programme as no doubt a lot of schools have noticed the style of rugby that is now being played at Downsend.

A huge well done to all involved – Matthew Y, Toby W, Sonny A, Harry M, Lachie T, Jake W, Louis P, Jules T & Harry G.

Grant Lawrence

Year 6 Swim Gala

As we move to the end of the Spring Term we see each year group take part in their inter-house swimming gala's. Tuesday saw Year 6 take to the pool. After some fantastic swimming displayed in the Individual Medley events we moved to the rest of the programme. There were some extremely close races and throughout the afternoon it seemed to be a close fight between Headley and Norbury for 3rd place and Ranmore and Wisley were contending for the top spot. Some excellent swims from all the houses saw the eventual winners Ranmore edge ahead in the points. Special congratulations to Angus W who has beaten the Year 6 boys Individual Medley record time. Well done to all.

Marie Seivewright



Rosslyn Park U11 Sevens



Rosslyn Park Seven's is the largest and most competitive rugby festival in the country. School's from all over the country and even the world enter this competition, including a school from Pakistan this year!

Our U11's entered for the first time this year and we were incredibly proud of them and the standard of rugby they produced. Competing against significantly larger all boys schools such as St Paul's in London or Trinity in Croydon, as well as 2 term rugby schools like Tera Nova from Cheshire, we could not be more proud of the progress our boys have made this season.

We continued to work hard at keeping the ball alive and running positive lines when in attack and putting our bodies on the line in defence. The passion and pride to represent Downsend has been inspiring from the U11A's this season and once again they be so proud of their achievements!

An amazing season – well done boys!!

Vs Trinity	Drew 20-20
Vs Terra Nova	Won 10-5
Vs St Paul's	Won 20-10
Vs Milbourne Lodge	Lost 20-5
Vs Hampton	Won 15-5

Grant Lawrence & Jon Albert

U12 IAPS Netball Finals, Epsom College 2019

Having qualified at the regional round at Hurst the girls went on to play in the National finals at Epsom College.

Going into the tournament we knew that we would be faced with some tough competition but the girls were ready for the challenge ahead, the hoodies were ready, there was some sun in the sky and despite the cold, it wasn't raining.

The first game was against St Hugh's (eventual finalists) and despite the loss the score line remained tight. The next few games were again closely fought with some end to end play.

With a few losses behind them the girls were still in high spirits and determined to keep the score lines close. They went into the last match still in a very positive frame of mind and despite losing the game could have gone either way with the final score with only a goal difference.

Despite the hard work and determination the girls not did progress from the pool stages.

The girls should be very proud of their achievements and I would also like to thank the parents for their continued support.

Marie Seivewright



Year 2 Hockey with Notre Dame



The year 2 girls' hockey journey continued on Friday afternoon as we hosted Notre Dame for some competitive mini hockey matches and a fun game of Raid the Nest. The afternoon was the culmination of a fantastic terms work on learning the basic skills of hockey and developing their knowledge and understanding of the game. There was an abundance of skill and talent on display, strong tackling, great team work and lots of goals. This amazing group of girls have been awesome to coach hockey to this term and we hope they are able to continue practising over the summer term ready for Year 3.

Great work everyone and thank you to all parents for their continued support.

Fiona Fitch

Year 4 Swim Gala – Headley Winners 2019



Every year I am astounded at the effort, determination and depth of talent on display at the swimming galas and this year was no exception. From the very first race to the relays, the boys and girls in year 4 swam harder, faster and more beautifully than ever before.

There were nerves and jitters from the start by many of the competitors, but these were quickly overcome once the atmosphere heated up, the racing got under way and the packed out crowd cheered and clapped their encouragement. The races whizzed by, the points racked up and soon the Year 4's were really showing off their talents as they demonstrated a medley relay performed for the first time by this age group. It topped off the afternoon's excitement, as Ranmore chased down Norbury in the final leg to take a share of the top points. What an afternoon, what a year group! Thanks as ever to the marvellous support and cheering from the parents to provide an electric atmosphere and of course the amazing children for delivering all the top-class entertainment. At the end of the event, certificates were awarded for effort and progress in the gala and for the fastest 25m times. Well done to all the winners and to all the swimmers for making it such a hard decision to pick just a handful out.

Results:

- 1st – Headley
- 2nd - Ranmore
- 3rd - Wisley
- 4th - Norbury

A special mention to Freyja B-W and James S for winning the fastest times across 25m in front crawl and back crawl. Well done.



"All of the races were so close, each race was matched exceptionally well as they were all so exciting to watch. I do not think I have cheered so much as I did at the swim gala, and to be honest I could have watched this all day. I was blown away by the girls swimming they just took my breath away". Thank you Mrs G

Fiona Fitch

Match Results

All match results can be also be viewed on Schoolsports [here](#).

Netball

U13A	Ewell Castle	Drew
U12A	Ewell Castle	Won
U12B	Ewell Castle	Won
U12A	Lingfield College	Won
U12B	Lingfield College	Lost
U12C	Lingfield College	Lost

Rugby

U8A	Surbiton High	Won
U8B	Surbiton High	Drew
U8C	Surbiton High	Won
U8D	Surbiton High	Won
U8E	Surbiton High	Won
U11A	The Schools at Somerhill	Lost
U11B	The Schools at Somerhill	Won
U11C	The Schools at Somerhill	Lost
U10A	The Schools at Somerhill	Won
U10B	The Schools at Somerhill	Won
U10C	The Schools at Somerhill	Won
U10D	The Schools at Somerhill	Won

Squash

U12A Boys	Cranmore	Lost
U10A Boys	Cranmore	Lost

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May 11th 2019 - 10am to 1pm
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SESSION 1: 10.00 – 11:15 year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 – training 11:15 – 11:30 signing sessions with the girls / Q&A / prizes	SESSION 2: 11:30 – 12:45 year 6, 7, 8, 9 – training 12:45 – 1:00 signing sessions with the girls / Q&A / prizes
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or via our website at www.leatherheadcc.co.uk

Attendance at Clubs / Practices

If your son/daughter is unable to attend a practice or sports club please can you ensure you let the PE department know in advance. We need to ensure that all our pupils are in the correct place at all times. Pick up from sports practices will be at the location of the practice, pupils will not be released to meet parents/carers at any other location.

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.

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

Within the website you can either select the team, calendar option or by the sport. 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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