

Dunhurst *Friday Report*

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Friday 11th Nov	<p>Groups play rehearsal</p> <p>JAW—replaced by lessons 7 & 8 for Blocks where possible</p> <p>Groups Play</p> <p>Second performance</p>	<p>2.30—3.50pm</p> <p>4.30pm</p> <p>6.30pm</p>
Saturday 12th Nov	<p>FoDs meeting in Dunannie Library</p> <p>Groups Activity—ODW</p> <p>Train departs Petersfield</p> <p>Train arrives Waterloo</p>	<p>11.00—1.00pm</p> <p>11.00—1.00pm</p> <p>1.48pm</p> <p>2.57pm</p>
Sunday 13th Nov	<p>Train departs Waterloo</p> <p>Train arrives Petersfield</p>	<p>6.30pm</p> <p>7.37pm</p>
Monday 14th Nov	<p>U9 Football v Ditcham (H)</p>	<p>4.00pm</p>
Tuesday 15th Nov	<p>Life Education—Groups PSHE - Parents session</p> <p>HPV vaccinations</p> <p>U10 Football v Steep (H)</p>	<p>8.45—9.45 am</p> <p>4.00pm</p>
Wednesday 16th Nov	<p>Life Education Groups PSHE</p> <p>Groups Pupil Academic Forum</p> <p>U11 6-a-side Football Tournament at Churcher's</p> <p>U13 A XI v King Edward's Witley (H)</p> <p>U9 VI & U10 VI Football v Seaford (H)</p> <p>U13 Girls' Hockey Tournament at Westbourne House</p> <p>U13 B XI v Great Ballard (A)</p>	<p>Am</p> <p>8.30—8.55am</p> <p>1.30—5.30pm</p> <p>2.30—5.30pm</p> <p>2.30—4.00pm</p> <p>2.00—5.30pm</p> <p>2.30pm</p>
Thursday 17th Nov		
Friday 18th Nov	<p>Blocks Pupil Academic Forum</p> <p>Leave Weekend begins (No JAW)</p>	<p>1.30—2.00pm</p> <p>4.00pm</p>
Saturday 19th Nov	<p>Leave Weekend</p>	



Letter from Jane...

Dear Parents,

This week has seen even more activity than usual as the preparations for the Groups' play swung into action. Mary and Ineke have been working like Trojans packing pupils into costumes and 'The Well' has been visibly vibrating with Gods and Greeks under the careful direction of Simon KP. The culmination of all the above can be seen tonight in two showings: one at 4.30 p.m. and then again at 6.30 p.m. It should be a great experience for pupils and audience alike!

Sadly, Matilda Clark will be stepping down as Co- Chair of the Friends of Dunhurst at the end of this term. I have really enjoyed our weekly meetings. The energy and enthusiasm that she shows for all things Dunhurst will be greatly missed. I do thank her for all her hard work and kindness. We wish the whole family well as they start their sabbatical of travel at the end of this term and look forward to their return for the Summer term.

Our thanks to everyone who helped with the magnificent Bonfire Night. It was wonderful to see so many of you there and the community spirit was ever tangible. The fireworks were both spectacular and impressive and we raised money for the FoDs and HOPIT.

On Tuesday we had a very well received and beneficial talk to Blocks 1 & 2, Group 3 and parents by Lindsay Bower from Childnet about safe use of the internet and mobile phones. It is so important that we educate ourselves and our children in the fast moving world of technology.

This Saturday the Friends of Dunhurst hold their meeting (from 11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.) in the Dunannie Library. Sadly I won't be able to attend on this occasion but Alan Simmons will be there in my place. He will answer any questions that you might have and also listen to your views and ideas.

I know that most of you drive with real care and consideration when using the Dunhurst and Dunannie Car Parks. That said, I have received a number of concerning reports to the extent that I feel I must say something. Please may I ask parents to drive with great care and full concentration. There have been some reports of people chatting on mobile phones whilst driving, failing to observe the one way system and driving at speed. We all know how precious our children are and a moment of stupidity and thoughtlessness could cause a tragic accident.

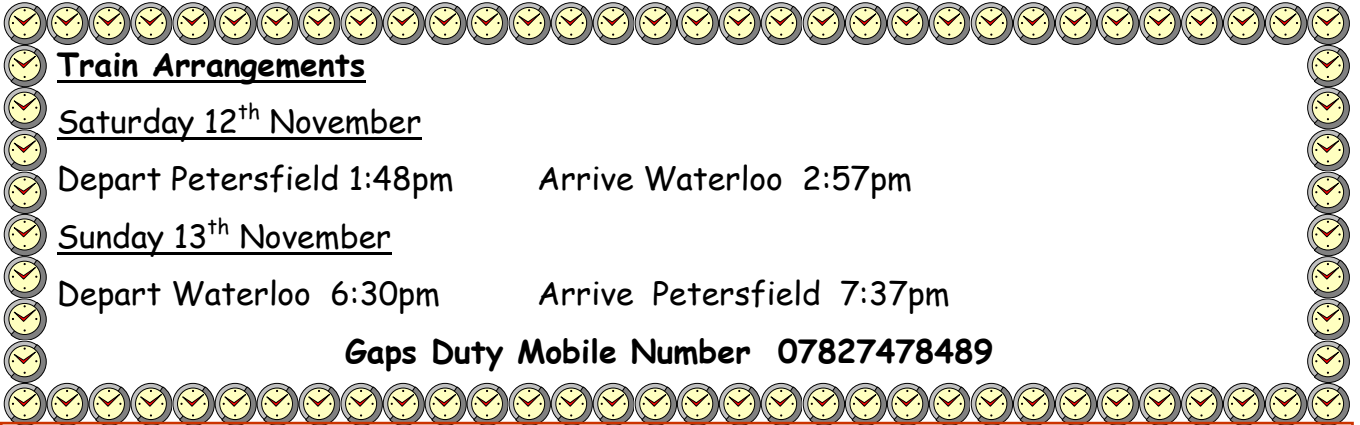
Whilst on the subject of the car park, may I also ask that if you are dropping off your child at Dunhurst, (and not parking up) that you drive beyond the steps for about four car lengths. This will enable more people to drop off at the same time and reduce the queue that tends to build at peak times.

I hope to see you at the Groups production tonight.

*Warm Regards
Jane*



What's going on ...



Train Arrangements

Saturday 12th November

Depart Petersfield 1:48pm Arrive Waterloo 2:57pm

Sunday 13th November

Depart Waterloo 6:30pm Arrive Petersfield 7:37pm

Gaps Duty Mobile Number 07827478489

Block 2 Parent Teacher Meetings

Block 2 parents are invited to come and meet with tutors as well as maths, English and science teachers for one-to-one appointments on Friday 25th November (4-6pm) and Saturday 26th November (11 – 1pm).

Full details of staff availability for appointments will be in next week's Friday report and also in the Well, along with the sign-up sheets for appointments from next Friday afternoon.

If your child is a boarder then boarding staff and GAP students can assist your child in signing up for appointments for you.

LOST PROPERTY CLOTHING

Lost property has been rearranged & is being looked after by FRAN and a lost property committee of Block II children.

Small items of LOST PROPERTY like jewellery & pencil cases will continue to come to Fran's room.

Named clothing will, as previously, be returned to the child's locker or classroom.

Unnamed clothing is now neatly stored in locked cupboards in the atrium/conservatory area behind the dining hall. We already have a large collection of unnamed clothes.

The Lost Property cupboards will be unlocked and free for children and parents to search for belongings at:

Wednesday afternoons 1 – 5.30pm

Fridays after Jaw 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Saturdays 1 – 2pm

It is hoped to display all Lost Property clothing to parents & pupils in the few days leading up to the very end of term.

After that, any outstanding items that are not collected by the last day of term will be taken to charity shops during the school holidays.

As always, it is much appreciated if parents can label all clothing, as this makes for a much more efficient return of items to children.

Many thanks FRAN & the LOST PROPERTY Committee.



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BOOK FAIR

Just to remind you that the Book Fair by the Travelling Book Company will be in school from **Thursday 17th November 2011 to Tuesday 22nd November 2011.**

If you have not already done so, please remember to fill in the attached reply slip and return to me by **Wednesday 16th November 2011.** Alternatively you can e-mail me at amowat@bedales.org.uk with confirmation of how much your child is allowed to spend. Only the amount your child actually spends will be added to your bill. **Unfortunately, if your child does not return a slip, or you do not email me, then they will not be able to purchase any books.**

Thank you! - Angela (Librarian)

BOOK FAIR REPLY SLIP



I AUTHORISE MY CHILD (NAME)

CLASS TO SPEND £ AT THE BOOK FAIR

SIGNED



What's going on ...

Block 2 Trip to Les Miserables

"Les Mis was the most inspiring thing that I have ever seen." – Molly

"We headed downwards to the stage. I say we headed downwards because the theatre goes underground!" – Jack

"The wings of the stage amazed me with how confined and cramped they were." - Anna

"We were shown props and were told which scenes they were used in" – Ellie

"They had fake dead bodies which cost £2,000" – Charlotte

"The wigs get washed and brushed after every performance" – Anastasia

"The drama workshop was nearly as emotional as the play. We had to go from a crouch to a strong standing pose acting with total confidence; we then mimed throwing weapons with the authentic "Les Misérables" costumes on. This was based on a decision in the play. Do you stay and fight for your rights knowing you would be killed, or go home and be safe? We were lucky to be able to experience this amazing workshop."- Julia

"We talked about the emotions of the people...then went on to re-enact the barricade scene. This was one of my favourite parts of the day." – Ally

"We continued just as good a day after that because we went to the National Portrait Gallery to look at some pieces in that era of Les Misérables." – Olo

"I copied part of a very large painting, "The Beheading of St. John the Baptist". I focused on St. John himself being beheaded." - Luca

"Finally it was time for the thing we'd all been waiting for, the big performance. We took our seats, buzzing with excitement. After a long wait the lights went out and show finally began. It was brilliant and really worth the wait." – Jack

"In the beginning of the play I was blown away because of how amazing the acting was." – Breanne

"The play was absolutely incredible and the music is so powerful and the acting so amazing that you felt like you were there on the barricade." – Ellie

"They sang every single word which some people thought wasn't good but I thought that it was brilliant." - Toby





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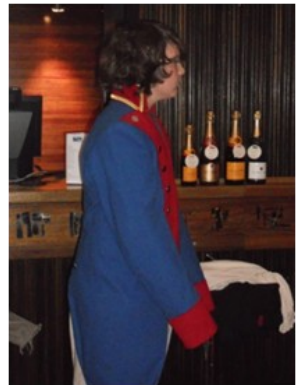
Atmosphere was created by the type of music switching from dramatic to sad. I preferred it when it was dramatic because it captured my attention more.” - Leo

“Towards the end I had to admit I had a bit of a cry” – Stella

Everyone should have a chance to see this play in their lifetime, to learn about how if you are treated like an animal you will turn into an animal, but how just one act of kindness can turn it all around, make you see joy again”

– Gabi

“In conclusion it was one of the best days of my school life, and I will never forget it.” – Stella



Friends of Dunhurst

<http://www.bedales.org.uk/friends-of-dunhurst/noticeboard/>



Sport ...

UIIA v. Meoncross

After the disappointment of last week, the UIIA team got back to winning ways with an excellent 6-3 victory against Meoncross. Although we weren't at our best for the first 15 minutes, we managed to edge ahead with a few early goals. At half time the score was 4-0 to us. The second half started with two goals in the opening 50 seconds – making the score 5-1. Meoncross battled back to make the score 5-3, but we managed one more late goal to win the game 6-3.

—Ryan



UIIB v. Meoncross

Yesterday we played Meoncross. Everybody played very well. In the first half we dominated the game with some great passing and team play and we created lots of chances. At halftime the score was 5-0 to us. In the second half they upped their game but not quite enough and we scored 6 more goals. The goals were scored by Patrick (4), Tomas (2), Felix (2), Angus (1), Oscar (1), William (1) and an own goal in the last minute bringing the end score to 12-0 to us. Thank you Ryan for organising it and Ollie for refereeing.—By Oscar & Angus

Note to parents, please amend your diary/calendar – we have added extra fixtures, meaning there will now be 6 matches and 1 tournament – about 60 boys will be representing Dunhurst in competitive matches next week!! Ryan

Monday 14 th November	NEW U9 Football v. Ditcham (H) 4pm on Astro
Tuesday 15 th November	NEW U10 v. Steep (H) 4pm on Astro
Wednesday 16 th November	U9 VI v. Seaford (H) 2:30pm U10 VI v. Seaford (H) 2:30pm UII 6-a-side Tournament @ Churcher's 1:30pm UI3 A XI v. KESW (H) 2:30pm NEW UI3 B XI v. Great Ballard (A) 2:30pm



Sport ...

SPORTS ROUND UP

This week we've seen some great results from our teams. We're very excited that our U13 footballers are unbeaten in the league with another victory yesterday, this time over Ditcham. The U11A&B teams won convincingly against Meoncross too.



Our U10 netball team had some good results at their tournament at Churchers and the U12 & U13 girls' swimming teams powered through each race to beat The Royal by 10 points in our first gala of the year. Becka L was a great captain and the girls did an excellent job of organising their own races within the team. Our U13 girls' hockey squad played their first 11-a-side match of the season against Portsmouth Grammar School. Due to some excellent defending and superb goalkeeping (Tara N - Bees Knees) it took PGS nearly 35 minutes to score. We ended up losing 0-2 but learnt much from the match. Well done to all teams!

Also this week we're hosting another swimming gala for the U9, U10 & U11's against Meoncross.

U13 Football v Ditcham Park

Dunhurst 3—Ditcham 1

With an unexpectedly late kick off and dusk falling, this was a game that we had to win. This was our third league game of the season and rumour was that like us, Ditcham had won their first two games. We certainly had a decent warm up but the late start meant a 20 minute each way game in semi-dark conditions. We missed two comfortable chances early on but always looked the better side. Ditcham then scored against the run of play but a penalty awarded to us was sweetly put away by Luca which meant that we went into half time one a piece.

The second half saw us constantly driving the opposition back but goals were elusive. We then took the lead through a second from Luca and tied the game up with a nice individual effort from Tom. The team spirit was excellent before the game and despite the long wait the boys once again displayed a great deal of class. The thirteen boys who represented the school on the day were exemplary in their attitude, continue their unbeaten run and are at present top of the league. We have several matches remaining with the deciding league game coming on the very last Wednesday of term.

The team; Joe M, Milo H, Josh M, Ashley C, Jack P, Taye, Toby, Rory B, Felix D, Barnaby, Theo, Tom, Luca C



Parents' action page ...

1. Do come to one of the Groups performances tonight.
2. If your child has lost an unnamed item of clothing come and have a look through lost property for it..
3. Don't forget to return your child's book fair slip.
4. Make note of the extra football matches that your child may be participating in.
5. Check for any updates on the FoDs internet link.
6. Life Education are working with the Groups' children next week. Session for Groups' parents is on Tuesday from 8.45—9.45 am. Please let Anderly know if you are attending (atudor@bedales.org.uk)