



Dunhurst *Friday Report*

3/2/12

Friday 3rd Feb	U10,U11 Boys and Girls Cross Country at Oakwood School JAW: Rear Admiral John Lippiett CB MBE—Mary Rose: Past, Present and Future Groups train departs Petersfield Groups train arrives Waterloo	2.30—5.00pm 4.30—5.30pm 5.48pm
Saturday 4th Feb	FoD's meeting in Dunannie library Open morning for prospective parents Groups—Will Power Day Blocks train departs Petersfield Blocks train arrives Waterloo	08.45-10.45 10.45am 10.00-4.00pm 1.48pm 2.57pm
Sunday 5th Feb	Train departs Waterloo Train arrives Petersfield	6.30pm 7.37pm
Monday 6th Feb	Group 2 trip to St Paul's Cathedral Music scholarship audition for Groups and Block I U11 Girls Hockey v St Ives (H)	9.00—4.00pm Am 4.10—5.30pm
Tuesday 7th Feb	Group 1 science trip to Wisley	9.00—4.00pm
Wednesday 8th Feb	Pupil Academic Forum (Blocks) U13 Boys Hockey 7s Tournament at West Hill Park U12 Netball Tournament at Westbourne House U11 Boys Hockey A & B VII v Meoncross (A) U11 Netball v Mayville (H) U13A Girls Hockey v Lavant House (H)	8.25—8.55am 1.00—4.30pm 2.00—5.30pm 2.15 & 3.15pm 2.30—4.00pm 4.40—5.30pm
Thursday 9th Feb		
Friday 10th Feb	Block 2 Flamenco in the Hall U9, U10, U11, U12, U13 Boys and Girls Cross Country at Highfield	10.15—1.15pm 1.00—4.30pm 4.00pm
Saturday 11th Feb	Half term	



Letter from Jane...

Dear All,

Despite the sudden cold spell, it is wonderfully heartening to see the first few brave daffodils peeking out of the grassy banks of Dunhurst. The pupils seem to be thriving and full of the joys of learning and spring! Do remember that in adverse weather conditions you should look at the school website for announcements about school closures.

This Saturday is the Will Power Day for some of the pupils in Groups. It starts at 10am and finishes at 4pm. There will be a performance from 3.30 to 3.50 in the Well. You are all very welcome to attend as a large audience is always appreciated.

The £10.00 business challenge for the Sam Banks Charities continues to grow in number. Tristan, who is the editor for the Dunhurst Newspaper, will be donating proceeds this term to the charity. We have placed a small table in the foyer for those pupils who would like to sell their wares at school. I have asked the pupils not to approach any parents or visitors to buy their goods but hope this low key sales area will attract interest without appearing demanding!

There are currently some very large black and white photos of the production of Oliver displayed in the foyer. These are being sold in aid of the Sam Banks Charities and order forms can be obtained from the reception.

Next week Group 2 will be going to St Paul's Cathedral and Group 1 will be furthering their science studies with a visit to Wisley. They will also be trialling our all new packed lunches and I will be interested to hear what they think!

On Friday Block 2 will be learning to dance the Flamenco! This is an annual event and I have heard that it is a lively and enjoyable experience.



I have been asked to remind you that school minibuses run from various routes in the mornings. The service offers a very convenient way of getting your child to school and benefits the environment whilst reducing traffic congestion in the Steep area. Please click on the link for details: <http://www.bedaes.org.uk/minibus-routes.html>

This Saturday we have the FoDS meeting from 8.45 am – 10 am in the Dunannie Library. We are really keen to see more parents share their thoughts and ideas for Dunhurst via the FoDs. I will be there for a part of the meeting to listen and hopefully answer any questions.

Have a wonderful weekend.

*Warm Regards
Jane*



What's going on ...

Train Arrangements

Friday 3rd February

Depart Petersfield 5:48pm Arrive Waterloo 6:59pm

Saturday 4th February

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

Depart Petersfield 1:32pm Arrive Hove 3:15pm

Sunday 5th February

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

Gaps Duty Mobile Number 07827 478489

Dunhurst's second 'Big Read' took place on Monday 30th January.

It's a whole school event where the children and staff spend 10 – 15 minutes reading to each other. This time it was the turn of the Groups to read to Blocks. It was wonderful to see our older pupils being so helpful, kindly and interested in sharing the books with our Groups readers.

Below are a few photos of the day:- Amy



BLOCKS SCHOOL DISC Wednesday 8th February

6.45pm – 9.00pm

Pick up for day pupils 9.00pm. There will be a member of staff on the steps at 9.00pm, any pupils who have not been collected by 9.15pm will be asked to wait in reception.





What's going on ...

KEY DATES FOR SUMMER TERM 2012:

Sunday 22 April	Boarders return 7.00pm
Monday 23 April	Day pupils return 8.25am
Sat 5 May	1.00pm Leave weekend
Mon 7 May	Boarders return 7.00pm
Sun 27 May – Fri 1 June	Camps Week
Fri 1 June 4 pm – Sun 10 June	Half term
Thurs 21, Fri 22, Sat 23 June	Production
Sat 23 June	Parents' Day
Sat 30 June	Sports Day
Fri 6 July	End of term



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CHILDTALK

Taryn Samways 'How to talk to your children about sex and relationships' - a new date has been arranged for this talk on Thursday 1 March at 4.30. (from Tuesday 21 February)

CHILDTALK THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY 4.30-5.30PM IN THE HISTORY ROOM

Bob Tait from Drug Education UK

Bob Tait is returning to Dunhurst to talk to the Blocks children on 23 February. He will give a Childtalk to parents at 4.30 pm and give current and accurate information with regards to drugs of all sorts. We are keen that school, parents and children have open and informed information in this ever-changing landscape.

3R are learning how electricity flows in series and parallel circuits. The tunnels represent bulbs, the children electrons. In the photo there are two 'bulbs' in parallel. Having already established that bulbs are resistors and therefore slow down electricity we noticed something curious in a parallel circuit. The current past the battery was twice as quick though the bulbs lit normally. More research to follow. Olly





What's going on ...



The Green Children

- a dance drama. Pupils from Block 2T presented **The Green Children** at Frensham Heights Performing Arts Centre on Monday evening, opening the school's *Dance About* platform.



The story, inspired by the medieval legend of two green children found outside the village of Woolpit in Suffolk, was turned into a dance drama by Rosie Nash and Claire Gammon as part of an ongoing programme of bringing more dance and movement into the drama curriculum. Despite losing one or two cast members before the show, the Dunhurstian performance was extremely well received. Well done to all who participated. There'll be an opportunity to see the performance again in an assembly before the end of term.

Dunhurst does Dickens

2012 is the **bicentennial** anniversary of the birth of Charles Dickens

The list for this challenge has been emailed to all pupils and is available for parents from Amy. (awilson@bedales.org.uk)

Dunhurst Does Dickens 'Memory Challenge'

- ✓ Anyone can take part
- ✓ Bronze, Silver & Gold Awards
- ✓ Groups & Blocks can attempt all Awards
- ✓ **Bronze** – memorise 10 novels
- ✓ **Silver** – memorise 15 novels & their dates
- ✓ **Gold** – memorise 15 novels & dates & 10 titles of his other work
- ✓ Please ask your English teacher / Amy to test you
- ✓ You can have as many attempts as you like but not more than 2 on the same day
- ✓ This challenge will run all term



Congratulations to **Tom** who has gained a Bronze Award.



*Block 2 Parent/Teacher Meetings (All subjects) .
Friday 24th and Saturday 25th February 2012*

Please see below for staff availability for these meetings. Sign up sheets for appointments will be available from Friday 10th February in the Well.

Louise Banks	Art	Friday 16.30 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
James Beatty	Tutor Maths	Friday 16.00 – 18.00 Saturday 11.30 – 13.00
Fran Box	Learning Support	Friday 16.20 – 17.30 Saturday 11.00 – 11.30/12.20 – 13.00
Liv Burnett-Armstrong	Tutor French	Friday 16.30 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
Melissa Canter	English (2T)	Friday 16.30 – 18.00
Ellie Chilton	French	Friday 16.30 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
Mark Collins	Tutor Maths	Friday 16.30 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
David Ellis	Geography	Friday 16.30 – 18.00 Saturday 11.45 – 13.00
Rachel Hearnshaw	PE	Friday 16.30 – 18.00 Saturday 11.45 – 13.00
Elaine Hewitt	Tutor Pottery	Friday 17.30 - 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
Darran Kettle	Tutor Maths	Friday 16.00 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
Simon Kingsley-Pallant	Tutor Drama Boarding	Friday 16.30 - 18.00 Saturday 10.45 – 11.00/12.20 - 13.00
Mike Lambert	Latin	Saturday 11.45 – 13.00
Claire Lock	Science	Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
Al McConville	Latin	Friday 16.00 – 18.00
Kathy Misson	Tutor Music	Friday 16.30 – 18.00 Saturday 11.45 – 13.00
Richard Nice	Workshop	Friday 16.30 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
Olly Olie	Science	Friday 16.00 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
Alan Simmons	PE PSHE	Friday 16.00 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 12.15
Paula Tribe	Maths	Friday 16.00 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
Judy Walker	History/RE	Friday 16.00 – 18.00 Saturday 11.00 – 13.00
Amy Wilson-Smith	English	Friday 15.45 – 18.00 Saturday 10.00 – 13.00



Sport ...

U13B Hockey v Frensham

This was a great little exercise for us where we were playing two teams from Frensham which allowed us to mix up the teams a little adding strength in some different areas. In our first game Josh was relishing playing in centre midfield allowing him to control the game. The others were working well around him for most of the time but we were looking a little frail at the back especially when they scored the first goal. Not to be outdone the boys carried on playing with conviction and it wasn't long before we equalised with Henry sweeping in from a good cross from Orlando. Unfortunately we let a goal slip in near the end meaning we finished this game losing by two to one.

The second game was much better as we looked more in control of our positions and more space was available. Oscar and Ashley became more effective down the wings and Tom and captain Ollo were relatively unneeded in defence for most of the game. Out of nowhere Frensham put together three great passes and scored a great goal giving our goalie Richie little chance. The guys looked determined to get back in the game and did quickly from persistent play from Josh scoring with a great shot in off the post. Still we pushed on and again were rewarded when Henry was skilfully able to score from a waist high ball. This meant that we would finish this game winning by two to one. Well done all of you in the freezing conditions. I know it wasn't easy!

U11 Netball v Ditcham Park

Wednesday, 1 February, Dunhurst U11 played netball at Ditcham Park. We felt quite positive but were a bit nervous because we knew they beat us last time. We warmed up outside and were led into the sports hall to play the match.

The first quarter was very exciting and we played better than we expected but they scored the first goal. At the end of that quarter the score was 4-all and was getting very close. In the second quarter we were getting more and more goals and we were doing very well. The final score was 18—12 to us! Orla won the bees knees and we played really well. Thank you Amy and David for taking us and well done everyone who played.—Midge

U13 Hockey v Frensham

We took two teams of equal strength to Frensham on Wednesday to play in a round robin competition. With a 4.00pm start the air temperature was somewhat less conducive to engender the slow build up, so the games were played at fairly frenetic pace in order to keep everybody warm. Of the four matches played we won three of the four giving us the overall win for the afternoon. Considering the conditions and a certain lack of width to the pitch we played pretty well with all fifteen boys giving of their best for Dunhurst. One of our teams won both games and in that team it would be fair to mention Finn and Nicky who really showed some good stick skills and tenacity. We swapped the keepers over at half time and although in reality both were not in action very much (but thankfully well padded) when they had to react they did so with great determination and bravery. Our other side lost one game very narrowly and won the second in a very exciting end-to-end affair which saw us score an amazing aerial goal. In this game, as mentioned in Mark's report, Henry, Josh, Oscar and Orlando played very well—competing and tackling without reserve.

After some really close encounters this was our first win of the season and a well deserved one at that. We finish the half term with a tournament at West Hill Park, next Wednesday.

Alan



Sport ...



Feb Half-Term Football Course

Held at:

Bedales School, Church Road, Steep. 10-3pm daily



2 Day Football Course:

Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th February, 2012

Available to boys and girls of all abilities

Aged 6-13 years old.



2 Day Contemporary Street Dance Course:

Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th February, 2012

Available to girls and boys of all abilities

Aged 6-13 years old. (Spaces will be limited)

Course Costs:

2 day course	£55 cheque or cash (payable to Wriightsport)
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Kit required:

- Football boots, shin pads and trainers (Football Course)
- Shorts / Tracksuit bottoms
- T'Shirt, Jumper, Jacket
- Packed Lunch / Water bottle with plenty of drink for the day

To Book:

Phone:

07810 860824

Email:

awright@bedales.org.uk

1. All coaches are NGB Qualified and CRB checked.
2. Each child should bring a packed lunch, a drink, and suitable sporting clothing each day.
3. Please make the the coaches aware if there are any medical conditions or allergies that your child may have.
4. Wrightsports holds public liability insurance and is a registered company on the National Business Register



*Parents' **action** page ...*

- 1. Have a look at the Business Challenge table in the entrance hall.**
- 2. Order your photographs from the “Oliver” production in the entrance hall.**
- 3. Check out the minibus routes (see page 2)**
- 4. Blocks School disco on Wednesday 8 February at 6.45—9.00pm.**
- 5. Put the new date for Taryn Samways Childtalk in your calendar for Thursday 1 March at 4.30-5.30pm**
- 6. Take part in the Dunhurst Does Dickens Memory Challenge**