



Dunhurst *Friday Report*

28—01—11

Friday 28th Jan	<p>U10 and U11 Boys and Girls Cross Country at Oakwood</p> <p>Leave weekend begins for everyone</p> <p>Train departs Petersfield</p> <p>Train arrives Waterloo</p>	<p>Time tbc</p> <p>4.00pm</p> <p>3.48pm</p> <p>4.51pm</p>
Saturday 29th Jan	Leave weekend	
Sunday 30th Jan	<p>Boarders return</p> <p>Train departs Waterloo</p> <p>Train arrives Petersfield</p>	<p>7.00pm</p> <p>6.30pm</p> <p>7.37pm</p>
Monday 31st Jan	U11 IX Girls Hockey v Churcher's Junior School (H)	4.15—5.30pm
Tuesday 1st Feb		
Wednesday 2nd Feb	<p>Block 2 Music Scholarship auditions for Block 3</p> <p>U10 and U11 Netball v Portsmouth High School (A)</p> <p>U12 7-a-side Girls Hockey v Meoncross (A)</p> <p>U9 Tag Rugby Vlls v Great Ballard v (A)</p> <p>U13 Rugby XII v Great Ballard (H)</p> <p>U11 Rugby XII v Great Ballard (A)</p> <p>U13 Boys Hockey VII v Prebendal (A)</p> <p>Scholarship lesson with Philip Young</p>	<p>Am</p> <p>2.30—5.00pm</p> <p>2.30—5.30pm</p> <p>2.30pm</p> <p>2.30pm</p> <p>2.30pm</p> <p>2.30pm</p> <p>4.30—5.30pm</p>
Thursday 3rd Feb		
Friday 4th Feb	JAW: Elaine Ford—stunt woman	4.30—5.30pm
Saturday 5th Feb	Friends of Dunhurst meeting	11.00—1.00pm



Letter from Penny...

Dear Parents

I am sure that you are all looking forward to Long Leave Weekend which starts with a 4.00pm pick up today, Friday. We look forward to welcoming all the children back on Sunday evening for boarders or Monday, as usual for everyone else.

I would like to draw attention to a remarkable set of sports results following Wednesday's matches. It is wonderful to see Dunhurst teams scoring winning results by large margins, U13 girls netball 23 –1 and U11 girls hockey 13 – 1 – well done everyone! I am delighted also to see that the rugby team enjoyed an exciting match at More House. The children gave such animated descriptions of their wins – and losses – at notices on Thursday that I think we all felt utterly inspired!

With regards to the possibility of a Horse Riding Activity could I thank those of you who made their interest clear. We will be in touch in due course but this will take considerable organisation and therefore will not be on offer until the Summer Term. Be patient, it will happen.

I am delighted to offer a very special opportunity to parents. Susan Rooke, who has run highly successful Mindfulness-based courses locally for a number of years will be offering a Three Week introductory course on 1st, 8th and 15th March. Mindfulness is developed by purposely paying attention in a non-judgemental way, to what is going on in your body, your mind and in the world about you. This moment to moment awareness is MINDFULNESS. It is about being awake and aware – living in the present – rather than stuck in dwelling in the past or anticipating the future. The course aims to assist you in taking better care of yourself and in getting more out of living. The aim of the programme is to learn new ways to handle challenging physical sensation, emotions, moods or social interactions. Susan Rooke, certified by Centre for Mindfulness Research and Practice, School of Psychology, Bangor University. She was trained to teach Mindfulness-based Cognitive Therapy for Stress and Depression by Dr Jon Kabat-Zinn's team, University of Massachusetts Medical School USA. She has been practicing meditation since 1996 and has created a meditation group in East Hampshire. Susan is also a yoga teacher, certified by l'Ecole Française de Yoga, Paris. I need to ask you to 'sign up' via Frances, fharris@bedales.org.uk, committing to attending all three sessions which will be funded by the school. We are re-scheduling Al McConville's talk to which Dunannie parents will also be invited. He was to talk about BACS on 8th March and we will let you know the revised date next week

All parents other than those in Block 2 are warmly invited to drinks with Jane Grubb, your new Headteacher. Jane will be arriving over the summer but is delighted to have this opportunity to meet you all. Do make a note of the appropriate date for your year group and keep your diary clear!



What's going on ...

Next week brings a particularly busy Wednesday so do check your child's commitments. Hopefully you will all have noticed, , the magnificent refurbishment of the Adventure Playground and the creation of a mighty fine stile nearby which will increase the 'safety' of the children.

Enjoy a lie in on Saturday morning and I look forward to seeing many of you at FOD's meeting on 5th February.

Penny

Travel Arrangements

Friday 28th January

Depart Petersfield 3:48pm

Arrive Waterloo 4.51pm

Arrive Woking 4:25pm

Arrive Guildford 4:15pm

Sunday 30th January

Depart Waterloo 6:30pm

Arrive Petersfield 7:37pm

Depart Woking 7:01pm

Depart Guildford 7:10pm

Gaps Duty Mobile Number 07827478489



What's going on ...

DRINKS PARTIES FOR JANE GRUBB TO MEET CURRENT PARENTS

Thursday, 10 March 7.00 -8.15 pm Dunannie Library	Groups 2 and 3	(Kate Olphert, Mags Watney and Ryan Walsh present)
Thursday, 17 March 7.00 -8.15 pm Dunannie Library	Year 3 and Group 1	(Jo Webbern, Kate Olphert and Debbie Payne present)
Thursday, 24 March – 7.00 -8.15 pm Dunannie Library	Block 1	(Ralph Morel and Alan Simmons present)

Vive la France- a message from Wendy.

A terrific opportunity for someone in Block 2 to put their French into and action and to enjoy getting to know French family life.

I have received a request from a long-standing friend with whose help I have set up exchange visits in the past. She is asking on behalf a colleague (Head of

a secondary school) for a family to host her 14 year- old daughter, Ludmila, here in England this summer; they would welcome the English girl back there in return - to Acheres on the outskirts of Paris.

I am sure that they will offer a very warm welcome and a brilliant stay in France. Is there anyone who would like to seize this opportunity? Ring me on 711742 for more details, please.





What's going on ...

COMMUNITY SERVICE UPDATE

On Wednesday afternoons Block I and II pupils have been visiting Steep Primary school and Hollywater School for the Learning Disabled. The volunteers have been helping out with various activities at these schools for the last two half terms.

We now need another group of pupils to sign up for these community service options for after half term (new visits start Wed 2nd March).



BEN

This is what four current helpers at Hollywater have to say about their experience.

Ben – *“The Hollywater pupils really look forward to seeing us which makes me feel it’s all worthwhile. I have enjoyed joining in with basket ball games with them, its a lot of fun.”*

Stella – *“We have helped in sport lessons with everything from gymnastics to teaching ball skills and we join in with the teams. It really makes you feel like*



STELLA

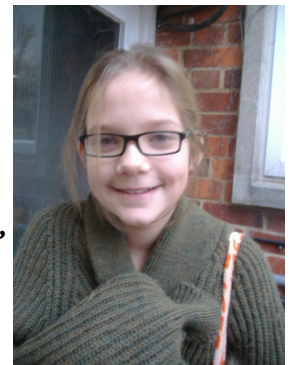
part of the Hollywater community.”



ELLIE

Ellie R – *“I have been helping the infants with IT skills. I have learnt a lot from watching the teacher using sign language with some of them.”*

Anna – *“I have helped supervise music and dance activities with the infants. I enjoy the responsibility of helping out – it makes you feel more like an adult. I used to be wary of people with disabilities but now I feel more at ease with them and enjoy their company”*



ANNA

Please can you encourage your child to sign up for Steep School or Hollywater help if they have not already done a Community Service, and do not play in matches on Wednesday afternoons? They are only expected to do one term of Community Service in the whole of their two years in the Blocks and the experience has proved very valuable for many of them.

My own 18 year old daughter still includes her Dunhurst community Service experience in her CV and Judy Walker's daughter is just about to embark on a nursing degree having been inspired by her visits to Fitzroy Support while at Dunhurst – so the benefits can be lasting! Apart from that, it does help to simply broaden horizons.

Thanks, Louise



Sport ...

U11 Boys Hockey v Frensham Heights

The U11 Hockey team recorded an excellent 3-0 win on Wednesday. It was a chilly afternoon at Frensham, but the boys quickly warmed up and raced in to a two goal lead – both goals were score by Nicky W after good work from Finn. Henry was playing in goal for the first time and made some excellent saves to keep a clean sheet. He was helped out in defence by James, Nicko and Archie. Oscar, Michael and Gabriel were solid in midfield and broke down many of the Frensham attacks before they even started. Dunhurst added a third goal in the second half, after good work from Nicko and Archie down the right, James prodded the ball in. The final score was 3-0 to Dunhurst, well played boys.—Ryan



U11B Girls Hockey v Alton Convent

On Wednesday the U11 B team played Alton Convent on a cold and wet afternoon. They are a very strong team but the match was very close in the first three quarters. In the first quarter Alton scored a goal but our position was re-covered swiftly when Hetty scored a fantastic goal in the second quarter. In the third quarter both teams scored again-ours was another great goal from Hetty. In the fourth quarter, despite some great defending from Molly and some fantastic dribbling from Toria, Alton got another three goals making the final score 5-2 to Alton. Rachel and Arabella got the Bees Knees. It was a very close match and everybody played really well. - Arabella



U11 Girls Hockey v Alton Convent

On Wednesday 6th January U11 a team played at home against Alton Convent. In the first quarter Cecily scored a great goal and Rosie scored as well. At half time we were winning 3-0, but then they came back and scored 3 good goals, so we were drawing 3-3. Willow and Pippa were great running all the time up and down the pitch and Scarlet did some great defending. In the end the final score was 4-3 to us. Well done everyone who played and thank you Rachel refereeing us.—Chilli





Sport ...

U11 Boys Hockey v Churchers

With a team of Group 2 & 3 boys together we took to the field against Churchers on Monday afternoon. Our guys started well working hard and putting our opposition under pressure. We were able to see early on that Churchers had some skilful players, but our boys stuck with them making it hard for them to play. Soon they took the lead with a good goal but the boys stuck to their task and began to move the ball into space better. The game began to open out and chances fell to both teams. Churchers extended their lead before half time when we were able to have a chat about our tactics. The boys tried the new tactic and the game opened further. Churchers took full advantage and scored a number of goals as our boys continued to force the play.

We were led well by Oscar, George and Finn were able to attack well and Gabriel, Nicky, Nicko, Archie, Henry and Michael played in a range of positions and were effective in all areas! Bad luck guys on the result but well played! - Mark

U12 Rugby v More House

This was our first match this year and despite only have a small handful of training sessions, I was pleased to see how the boys took to the field with confidence. It was clear to see from the start how effective we could be with the ball in hand. Barney and Theo were making good breaks and with good support from Tom and Orlando we were difficult to contain. Unfortunately while we were good with ball in hand we were less strong in defence. Missed tackles led to all of their tries but I was eager to see how we bounced back from these setbacks. Pleasingly we were able to get back into the game each time. Ali scored first with an excellent run and soon into the second half we went into the lead with a good try from Theo. Two tries followed from More House but our guys played hard and Barney scored a try near the end.

While we finished the game as the losing team we really played some excellent stuff. The forwards of Tom, Josh, Ali, Jack and Orlando were strong in the scrum and claimed the ball well in the lineout. The backs of Barney, George, Theo, Callum and Leo all ran well at times creating breaks that were often one pass away from an excellent try. The game finished with a scoreline of 26 - 21 to More House. Bad luck guys! - Mark



What's going on ... Friends

Invitation

Please come to our next

Friends of Dunhurst meeting

Saturday 5th February - 11.00 - 1.00 Dunannie Library.

Everyone Welcome

- we'd love to see you -



Parents' action page ...

1. Contact Frances to sign up for the Mindfulness course.
2. Don't forget the FOD's Meeting next Saturday.
3. Block II parents contact Wendy if you would like to take advantage of a French exchange opportunity.