



# Dunottar News

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It has been another very lively half term at Dunottar with pupils making the most of the full range of academic and co-curricular activities available. On the academic front, pupils are now gearing up for the summer exams

and making the most of the extra academic sessions that the teachers are running. Our Year 9s took part in a thought-provoking World War 1 day, involving a wide range of activities from marching drills to studying the effects of gas warfare. As well as our first "Digital Careers Evening", we ran two other Careers events this half term, including our first "Beyond A-Levels Evening", offering an interesting insight into the different post-19 pathways.

I know that many of you thoroughly enjoyed our performance of "The Producers" in a sold-out Dorking Halls in March. I was immensely proud of all our musicians and performers who put on a highly accomplished production which flowed with energy and enthusiasm. The whole production was a huge challenge for the pupils and staff and I am delighted that so many pupils were able to be involved on stage, back stage and in the orchestra.

On the sporting front, pupils have enjoyed a busy training and fixtures programme, with netball moving from midweek to a programme of Saturday fixtures and our 1st XI football team now participating in regular weekly matches. Our two Senior girls' netball teams competed in a tournament hosted here in the grounds at Dunottar, competing against teams from 8 other schools. I thoroughly enjoyed our Comic Relief Staff vs Parents charity football match at the end of term which ended in an honourable 2-2 draw.

We have a number of trips happening over the Easter holidays including an MFL exchange visit to Madrid, a cricket tour to Almeria and a Duke of Edinburgh Gold training event in the Brecon Beacons. Teachers will also be running a number of revision sessions for public exam classes.

I wish you all a happy, purposeful and relaxing Easter break.

**Mark Tottman**  
Headmaster

## Dunottar Brings Broadway to Dorking Halls

On Thursday 15th March, pupils from years 7-12 gave an outstanding performance of *The Producers* at a packed Dorking Halls. This year marked a turning point in the growth of the music and drama department; it is safe to say that our students have definitely outgrown the performance space at Dunottar! The casts' energy, bravery and pizzazz on stage needed a professional space to showcase their talents and we were delighted to be able to give them the opportunity to perform on a professional stage at Dorking Halls. The cast of over 80 pupils rose to the occasion delivering an energetic and uplifting performance.



The entertaining, lively and bold performance successfully recreated the insanely funny adventure of Max Bialystock and Leo Bloom, who came up with a scheme to produce the most notorious flop in musical history, which ended up a smash hit. Dunottar pupils played alongside professional musicians, delivering outstanding musical performances, which ranged from "Along Came Bialy" to

"Springtime for Hitler", featuring a complex myriad of melodies and entries.

The musical numbers in the show were bigger and more demanding than any other shows that we have

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# Open Mornings

Tuesday 30th April

Thursday 27th June

(10.15 for 10.30 start)

Our Open Mornings are designed to give you a real insight into a typical school day. You will hear from Mark Tottman, Headmaster, tour the school to see lessons taking place and chat with staff and pupils.

To book call us on 01737 761 945.  
We look forward to seeing you at Dunottar!

## Diary Reminders

Wed 3 Apr	<b>Schools breaks up at 4pm</b>
Thu 4 Apr	GCSE PE Revision clinic
Fri 5—Tue 9 Apr	Spanish exchange visit to Madrid
Tue 11 Apr	Year 7-11 Cricket trip to Spain
Mon 15—	Gold DofE practice expedition
Fri 19 Apr	
Mon 15 Apr	GCSE Maths revision clinic
Tue 23 Apr	INSET day—no pupils in school
Wed 24 Apr	Term begins
Thu 25 Apr	Visit from Collège St Augustin
Fri 26 Apr	Year 11 GCSE Drama rehearsal
Sat 27—Sun 28 Apr	Bronze DofE practice expedition
Mon 29 Apr	GCSE Drama performances to friends and family
Tue 30 Apr	Junior Maths Challenge Open Morning
Wed 1 May	Yr10-13 Sports Scholars trip to Kent University PTA Meeting
Fri 3 May	Year 9 Battlefields Trip to Belgium
Sat 4—Mon 6 May	Silver DofE practice expedition
Mon 6 May	BANK HOLIDAY
Tue 7 May	Year 11 Study leave begins
Fri 10 May	Fencing presentation to Years 7 & 8
Mon 13 May	Year 7 History Trip to Reigate Caves
Tue 14 May	Year 13 Study leave begins
Wed 15 May	Year 8 girls HPV vaccinations
Thu 16 May	Summer Concert
Fri 17 May	Mufti Day Year 8 Geography trip to Box Hill
Sat 18 May	Chess Megafinal
Tue 21 May	Year 10 Art/Photography/Textiles trip to Kew Gardens
Fri 24 May	<b>School breaks up for half term at 4pm</b>

put on at Dunottar, but the cast approached this challenging musical with great professionalism and maturity.

In the lead up to the big night, the cast worked tirelessly to perfect their performance, but their hard work paid off as the audience laughed out loud, enjoying the rousing musical numbers and excellent choreography (directed by our very own Rosie in year 12).



Directing *The Producers* has been an absolute joy—the students have continued to learn, develop and shine. Cultivating a family ethos within our departments is something that is very important to Miss Pettet and myself. There is a real sense of belonging and camaraderie in the cast and this was palpable during rehearsals and the final performance. Miss Pettet and I are immensely proud of every single student in the cast and crew who came together to produce such a wonderful and professional

*"My favourite thing about being in the show was how supportive everyone was of each other and how as a cast, we felt like a big family. It was an amazing experience doing the show on a professional stage."* Olivia, Year 9

*"I have really enjoyed being part of a community/family in drama. It is so brilliant knowing that this school can provide such amazing opportunities for the pupils."* Abigail, Year 9

performance. The students outdid themselves! I would like to take this opportunity to thank every single student in the cast and band

for putting on such a great show and also everyone who helped to make the performance such a success.

Mrs T Jago, Head of Performing Arts

*"I would definitely recommend being in the whole school production because the sense of community is strong and you really have a lot of fun. Now if I see someone from a different year who was in the show, I would not be afraid to talk to them."*

Toby, Year 7



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## Year 11 Visit Redhill Islamic Centre Mosque

During their Religious Studies lesson on 7<sup>th</sup> March, Year 11 pupils visited a local mosque in Redhill. This allowed them a chance to consolidate their learning about Muslim Beliefs and Practices which will form part of their GCSE examination in the summer.

During their visit, the students were taken into the main prayer hall, where they took part in a question and answer session with the Imam. Questions ranged from specific ideas about Muslim practices, such as the performance of prayer rituals and the once in a lifetime journey of Hajj, to questions about difficulties Muslims face in the modern world. Both the Imam and Hafiz (a person who has learned the whole of the Qur'an by heart) were very accommodating and were able to answer the students' questions knowledgeably and with authority, which brought the central tenants of the faith to life.

After a tour of the building, an old chapel that was converted during the 1970s, the students were given a packet of crisps and a drink as a sign of service and good will, important concepts in Islam.



## Geographers Enjoy a Stormy Trip to Swanage

A level Geographers have been very busy over the last term. We braved Storm Eric down in Swanage for a weekend collecting data in very muddy fields and pouring water down the slopes of steep hills, whilst battling with the wind and rain.



Pupils also investigated the flood relief management plans put in place in Swanage to reduce the risk of flooding on the town.

Shortly afterwards, we spent a much drier day in London at the Olympic Park and around the Stratford area investigating the changes in the area as their 'distant' place for the 'Changing Places' unit of their A level syllabus. We contrasted this with our experiences of fieldwork in Reigate, where we had collected data to support a decision as to whether Reigate was a clone town, along with other data collection techniques.

We are looking forward to another trip next week where the Geopolitics club pupils along with some Scholars are attending a spoken word lecture on 'Rule Britannia: Brexit and the end of Empire' by Danny Dorling (Professor of Geography at the University of Oxford).



## Be Outstanding...

Well done to all our pupils who have shown curiosity, creativity and commitment across the curriculum this half term. We are delighted to be able to recognise some of the most inspiring examples here.

Pupil	Year	Award	Subject
Advait B	7	Academic Distinction	English
Alphi B-W	7	Academic Distinction	English
Adam P	8	Academic Distinction	Geography
Harvey R-A	8	Academic Distinction	Science
Livi V	8	Academic Distinction	Geography
Livi V	8	Academic Distinction	RS
Barney H	8	Academic Distinction	Maths
Annie L	8	Academic Distinction	Geography
Sophia F	8	Academic Distinction	RS
Charlotte G	8	Academic Distinction	RS
William M	8	Academic Distinction	RS

Pupil	Year	Award	Subject
Milly P	8	Academic Distinction	RS
Ben T	8	Academic Distinction	RS
Billy T	9	Academic Distinction	History
Billy T	9	Academic Distinction	RS
Marika A	9	Academic Distinction	RS
Ethan A	9	Academic Distinction	RS
Eliza A	9	Academic Distinction	RS
Lauren B	9	Academic Distinction	RS
Rebecca C	9	Academic Distinction	RS
Eleanor D	9	Academic Distinction	RS
Tabitha M	9	Academic Distinction	RS
Sharika P	12	Academic Distinction	English

## Co-Curricular News

### Eating Out Russian-Style at Zima

Russian Club continues to be an exciting place to be on a Monday lunchtime. Thanks to Izzie S, the participants of the club have been learning all about Russian history in decades. She has enthused them and it has been lovely to witness their enthusiasm for the subject. It is lovely that this term has culminated with our postponed trip to Russian restaurant ZIMA. A great time was had by all.



### MFL Poetry Club

It is really exciting to be working with pupils in Year 8 towards the Poetry Live Competition at



St. Mary's University in June. The club is only in its first few weeks of running yet we already have a great cohort of pupils attending. Pupils are learning to recite poetry in both French and Spanish. We will be holding a school competition where the best students will be selected to compete against other Year 8 students at the Poetry Live final. *Mrs C Pennels*

### Chess Club

"I joined the Chess Club when I first arrived at Dunottar school and play every Friday against students from different forms. We have entered the Delancey UK Schools Chess Challenge and I have been able to play a few games with my Dad during the competition. Since entering the competition, I have competed each week

and have won 7 games, meaning I have collected the maximum number of points available and was awarded a champion's trophy. This meant that I had the great opportunity of playing against the Headmaster. I hope to play in the final later on in this year." *Rufus, Year 7.*



# Cross-Curricular Days

## WW1 Brought to Life in Cross-Curricular Day

On Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> March, Year 9 pupils enjoyed a day off curriculum to take part in a range of activities, linked to World War 1. The aim of the day was to learn about aspects of the war that are not covered in the history curriculum.

In Food and Nutrition, pupils cooked for victory, baking potato chocolate biscuits, sampling trench cake, and making lentil, onion and cheese paté. In the music rooms, pupils packed up their troubles in an old kit bag and sang popular songs from the time. In the Science labs, pupils studied gas warfare, learning about other injuries that the soldiers sustained, and appreciating medical advancements that are a result of war.

Pupils also took part in a wide range of creative activities, which included lino printing silhouettes of soldiers to create an outdoor art installation and exploring the nature of fear in the trenches through the enactment of an extract from R. C. Sherriff's 'Journey's End'. Using original images taken during the First World War, pupils 'fused' to these images, dressed up as soldiers and their families, using green-screen technology and digital photography.

Pupils participated in a lunch-time five-a-side football tournament, recognising the trench football match between the British and German soldiers during the Christmas of 1914.

Building on the success of last year's cross-curricular day, the day was designed to develop the school's 'warrior learner' traits of curiosity, independence, creativity, aspiration, tenacity, inclusivity and collaboration. Teachers were looking especially for collaboration and curiosity in the activities in which the students engaged.

Students really benefit from seeing that what they learn in the history classroom also has relevance in other subjects: history isn't an isolated subject on the curriculum. From the students' feedback, the aims of the day were definitely fulfilled.



## Storytelling Workshop on Oracy Day

On Tuesday 5th March, Year 8 pupils joined Mrs Bolt for a storytelling workshop on Dunottar's inaugural cross-curricular **Oracy Day**, as part of our book week celebrations.

Inspired by advice from 'Pixar in a Box', and authors such as Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett, students explored the importance of voice, movement and body language in telling stories orally, while experimenting with structure to create gripping narratives, responding to the key question 'What do you want the audience to know, and when?'

Taking part in a series of challenges, games and exercises, students experimented with tone of voice and facial expression to provoke an audience response, and discovered that it is just as important to redraft and rehearse verbal anecdotes, developing valuable interpersonal skills for interviews and presentations.



## Year 8 Study the Universe at the Royal Observatory

The whole of Year 8 went out for the day to the Royal Observatory at Greenwich on March 7th. The aim was to both gain skills in Physics, Maths and Astronomy and a sense of wonder at the universe around us.

One session was an investigation into the orbits of planets in our Solar System. The students found a relationship between orbital radius and period. This involved converting the data into Astronomical Units and plotting their own graphs. In fact, they found that they had proved Kepler's third law!

The second session was about the famous Rosetta mission to put a lander on a comet. The students planned what they would need to land successfully and considered the different jobs within the Rosetta team.

Both sessions were presented by graduate astronomers and were excellent. We also watched and listened to a planetarium show about the universe, all the way from the Moon to very distant galaxies.

Within the galleries, students were amazed to see a real piece of Mars that had travelled to Earth as an asteroid! With great determination, some students successfully launched a mission to Gannymede!



## Genetic Engineering Talks Inspire Pupils at Science Symposium

On Friday 22nd March, Year 9 and 10 pupils enjoyed a morning of science lectures by university lecturers. The initiative was part of a week of activities to celebrate Science Week.

The aim of the event, chaired by Doctor Charles Pasternak the President of the Oxford International Biomedical Centre, was to stretch and challenge top band students by engaging them with different aspects of science that relate to genetic modification.

The pupils enjoyed university-style lectures by Doctor Henry Taunt (University College, London), who delivered a talk to the aspiring scientists entitled "Introduction to Genetic Engineering". He was followed by Professor Saul Purton (also from University College, London), who delivered a lecture about genetic engineering in algae to his rapt audience.

The pupils took part in lively break-out discussions, after which representatives from each group grilled the speakers in question and answer sessions. The questions ranged from "How long does it take to genetically modify algae?" - Eliza, Year 9, to "Why does algae form a shell around it made from glass or chalk?" - Oliver, Year 9 and

"Is there a microscope that can see DNA?" - Jason, Year 10.

Hannah Davison, acting Head of Science, said: "It was an excellent day which was both interesting and thought-provoking. I'm so proud of the students for having discussed each lecture in detail and generated key questions. I'm hoping that this will encourage many of them to consider possible future careers in the sciences.

A special thank you must be mentioned to our Science team in helping to staff the event as well as to our visitors for very generously giving up their time."

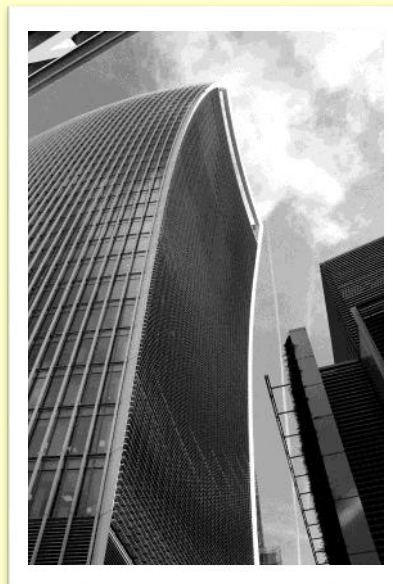


## Photography: Images of the Week

Each week, Mr Huxley chooses a selection of images that his photography pupils have created to be his "images of the week". Here are a selection from March:



Adam, Year 11



Olly, Year 13,  
*London's shapes and forms*

## Duke of Edinburgh

"Year 9 Pupils have been training for their DofE expeditions this summer and have learnt about navigation, route planning, first aid, expedition nutrition, kit and camp craft."



## How iPads Enhance Pupils' Learning

Our team of iLeaders explain how iPads enhance their learning experience at Dunottar

"iPads help our learning because, through the Sparkjar app, we can complete our homework more easily. Also, Quizlet makes learning vocabulary much easier and quicker too. Book creator is also a really useful app, allowing us to create quality work using all its different tools."

"iPads have helped me track my homework and be more organised. They are amazing devices for students to use and when we use them it makes the lesson twice as much fun. "

"iPads are very useful for a number of reasons including helping us organise our homework. I also really like how we can revise with Quizlet."

"iPads help our learning by allowing us to access dictionaries, Quizlet and Hegarty maths all in one place. This makes revision much easier. It's very easy to email your teacher if you have a question."



## First Digital Careers Evening

On Thursday 28th February, Dunottar hosted its first Digital Careers Evening. We welcomed visitors from Amazon, Psyon, Jellyfish and Google who talked about their experiences in the technology industry.

The evening was part of a programme of lunchtime networking events and evening subject-specific events, which aim to broaden pupils' horizons by hearing from industry experts and learning about career opportunities.

The Digital Careers Evening, which explored routes into IT careers, provided a 150-strong audience of pupils and parents with the opportunity to quiz the speakers about their career pathways.

Jason Taylor, Software Development Manager at Amazon, runs a team that looks after the prime video websites in each territory, aiming to keep each respective website running smoothly in each country, no matter how busy it is. He entertained his listeners with insights into how he worked his way up into a senior management level position at Amazon.

Dunottar also welcomed former Dunottar student Nicky Dunderdale, Director of Digital at Psyon, a technology, analytics and wellbeing team dedicated to transforming customer experience of employee benefits. Passionate

about inclusivity in STEM, she sits on the #techshecan

Improving Education

Steering Group. She

also talked about her mentoring sessions with students in the Reigate area, in which she helps them to find out more about the diverse range of careers in technology. Nicky was followed by Daniel Wilkinson, Head of Paid Media and award-winning senior digital marketer at Jellyfish, a digital marketing agency. Former international ballroom dancer Daniel believes that success is 90% hard work, 5% luck and 5% academic attainment. He provided a fascinating insight into the different routes into 'tech' that require a balance between academic attributes and the personal attributes of being a collaborative, creative, solutions-focused person.

Finally, guest speaker Ian Ballantyne, who works at Google, talked about his career as a Developer Advocate (someone who helps other developers to understand technology). He works as part of the Ads Developer Relations team and helps Google partners provide scalable digital advertising to millions of small-to-medium-sized businesses. He gave his listeners advice about what he would tell his past self, thinking about careers in the year 2000: technology can improve our lives and achieve the unimaginable.



## Digital Careers Assembly—Daniel Wilkinson

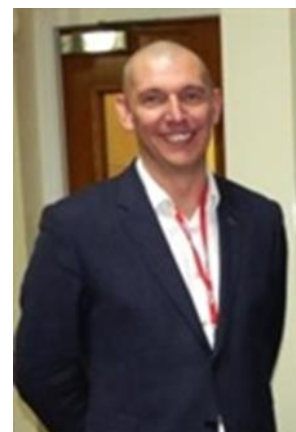
On Thursday 14th March, pupils in the Upper School and Sixth Form enjoyed a careers assembly, led by Daniel Wilkinson (Global Head of Paid Media for Jellyfish).

Daniel spent six years working on cruise ships and four years working with Spirit of the Dance in the USA, Europe, Far East and Australia. Although Daniel started his career as a professional dancer, he went on to work for Jellyfish, based in Reigate. The company has grown from a staff of twelve to now over six hundred worldwide in eleven countries.

The assembly helped pupils to understand employability and Daniel explained what companies like Jellyfish look for in potential employees. He said: 'For us, personal attributes are more important than technical ability. It is

easier for us to train technical skills, rather than modify a person's core values or work ethic. We understand that different people can demonstrate the same values in remarkably different ways'.

In summary, Daniel explained that in a world where sixty-five percent of children now entering primary school will hold jobs that currently don't exist, the one constant is change. He believes that a person's values and work ethic are more important than technical ability. Ultimately, everyone's success will be different and our young people should spend their time doing things that they enjoy!



## Beyond A Levels

The first Dunottar Beyond A-Levels Evening welcomed pupils in Years 10-13 to hear speakers explain different post-18 pathways.

Apprenticeships are a great way to gain the skills and experience young people need for many careers. An apprenticeship is a way to advance the skills, knowledge and experience needed to get into a variety of fields. They combine work, training and study, letting people 'earn while they learn'. Our visiting speaker, Sue Taylor of ALPS Surrey, spoke about the many different apprenticeships available across a wide range of industries, and for a wide variety of job roles. She discussed the advantages of the schemes, such as the fact that training costs are funded by the government and employer.

Josh Mallaieu (Volunteer Coordinator for Raleigh International) gave a presentation on volunteering opportunities abroad. Raleigh International support and encourage young people to have an impact where it matters most. Their Expedition volunteers help empower local communities by improving people's access to safe water and sanitation, building stronger communities and protecting the world's resources. Raleigh Expeditions offer young people a unique opportunity to work on remote community and environmental projects and face



adventure challenges in some of the most incredible areas of the world.

Our third speaker was an experienced TED speaker who specialises in outside-the-box career advice, Emma Rosen. Three years ago, Emma launched a project to try 25 different careers in one year through work experience, before her 25th birthday. The project is aimed - and continues to

aim at - inspiring young people to get more work experience, to learn by doing and be more proactive about their career education. Since completing the '25before25' project, Emma has spoken at schools, colleges and universities across the UK, as well as giving a TED talk on 'How to find your passion and make it your job', and published a book called 'The Radical Sabbatical'.

Pupils and parents enjoyed meeting our speakers who gave them a real insight into different routes they could follow, once they had completed their A-Levels.



## Dunottar Achieves British Council International School Award

We are delighted that Dunottar has successfully met the criteria for the Intermediate level of the British Council International School Award. The International School Award rewards schools that have shown a commitment to embedding international awareness and understanding within their class or school.

The British Council commented that Dunottar

"is clearly motivated and committed to develop an international dimension to your curriculum and whole-school ethos, promoting citizenship and an appreciation of cultural diversity. We hope you will be able to progress to the full International School Award in the not-too-distant future, and wish you success and enjoyment with your ongoing international work."

## Mrs Bartlett-Rawlings Visits British Council

Mrs Bartlett-Rawlings recently visited the British Council to share our cross-curricular activities, in particular the WW1 day organised by Mrs Boden. Chris Souvlis, project manager at the British Council commented, "Fantastic input from Sylvie Bartlett-Rawlings back at the British Council, on cross-curricular approaches to language learning and incorporating history ... and on her poetry-based WW1 project with secondary students."





## Netball

This year the netball program took a big shift from midweek fixtures to a full Saturday program. We have been extremely aspirational in the schools we have faced but the teams have brought tenacity and determination to the court and gained some very encouraging results. With 82 fixtures under our belt for 15 teams, including C teams for the first time in both Year 9 and the Seniors, and All Star teams for both upper and lower school, we have seen clear progress on the court.

Congratulations must go to Romilly H and Georgia RJ for a successful season representing Surrey and we wish Ellie T, Rosie K and Georgie N the best of luck in their upcoming trials.

The season has ended with an excellent block fixture against Royal Russell where the goal difference between the two schools over all 9 teams was only 10 goals! We will also have the four houses battle it out in the inter-house tournament on Saturday 30th March followed by the netball awards dinner where we will be celebrating a fantastic netball season! Details of the awards can be seen on the following page.

### Senior Versatility Tournament

On Wednesday 27th March, we hosted the Dunottar Versatility tournament which took 10 teams through all 7 positions over 3 courts. The afternoon provided a great opportunity for the teams to compete for the last time before the Year 13s embark on the next stages of their education. Dunottar A managed a respectable 6th position and Ali, Jess, Emily T, Louisa, Ellie B, Emily F, Fran, Lauren, Ellie G, Olivia B and Liv H all gained POM votes. Memory of the tournament: watching Lauren try to mark one of the tallest shooters in the tournament!



## Football

The football season has been one of huge success, seeing football continuing to improve and grow at Dunottar. This year we have had 80 football fixtures for teams across every year group, which has included many fixtures for B and C teams, as well as the first year of having regular Wednesday afternoon fixtures for the 1st XI team. We have seen 9 students in Years 7 and 8 gain selection to represent the Prep Schools' District Football Team, as well as the U12A team reaching the last 16 of the English Schools' Small Schools' National Cup, both tremendous achievements. We have also seen good attendance at girls football club which led to us having our first ever girls' football fixture.

The second half of the football season has seen Dunottar teams continue to learn and improve, both on and off the field, with some superb team performances on show. Teams have been taking as much out of drawing or losing a game as they would do if they had won. Recently, we have faced Ewell Castle, Claremont, St John's, Wilsons, City of London Freeman's and St Dunstan's College. The St Dunstan's College fixture was a great fixture to end on, as it was so evenly matched that 5 out of 6 of the matches were all decided by a mere 2 goal difference. A special mention should go to the U12A and U15A teams who have both finished the season with a 50% win rate for Saturday fixtures, an impressive statistic.

At the time of writing, the house football event is yet to take place. We are very much looking forward to seeing over 150 boys in the school take part in this event, proudly representing their houses in the process. We are also looking forward to Dunottar's first ever Staff vs Parents Charity Football Match, with all proceeds going to Comic Relief. We hope this is

something that we can run as an annual event as we believe that having the house football event, followed by the charity football match, will be a great way to bring the football season to an end.





## Netball Awards

Team	POM	Most Improved	Players' Player	Coaches Player
<b>U.12A</b>	Jemima WW	Tallulah	Keira	Lani – for being queen of the front cut and bossing the magic square!
<b>U.12B</b>	Cerys / Libby / Rhianna	Niamh	Rhianna	Niamh – has made such a positive adjustment in her attitude as the season has progressed and this in hand has seen her performance and stance within the team prosper.
<b>U.12C</b>	Amelie I / Annabel / Libby	Annabel	Honor	Issy G – for blowing the coaches out of the park with her tenacity as a shooter and thus progress in netball – enormous!
<b>U.13A</b>	Georgia / Georgie	Charlie	Romilly	Issy G – took on a new position and, after a somewhat rocky start, has really shown great work ethic and attitude, not grumbled, taken on board advice and really attacked every game with positivity and athleticism.
<b>U.14A</b>	Rosie	Lottie	Ellie T	Rebecca – for versatility in the centre third, vision and a great understanding for circle attack.
<b>U.14B</b>	Isla	Lila	Isla	Lila – for huge improvements in her defensive position in the circle and a very positive attitude. She is willing to try different positions on the court and generally works hard at every practice.
<b>U.14C</b>	Tabby	Olivia C	Tabby	Jess C – showing versatility and positivity in training and matches. Jess is a true team player.
<b>U.15A</b>	Holly	Katie	Scarlet	Scarlet – Amazing effort sustained throughout the season and excellent performance when playing up for the seniors. Communication in the circle is improving along with contesting space near the post.
<b>U.15B</b>	Budge / Lottie	Lottie	Budge	Budge - Charlotte, aka “Budge”, has gone from strength to strength this netball season. Resilient in defeat she always had her chin up at the end of a game and was an excellent leader of her team. She was an asset to the team as GA, scoring many of the goals, and working well with Lilly in the circle, and assisting the rest of the team in centre court.
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	Ali G / Liv H	Lauren C	Liv H	Lucy M – for excellent contesting in the circle and development of effective communication in a game.
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Fran	Fran	Louisa	Jess – for bouncing around the court like Tigger! Jess has intercepted so many passes for both the A and B teams this season and has been a key defensive player.
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Beanie	Rachel	Beanie	Rachel – Rachel has been a consistent shooter in both the B and C teams this season. She has played with confidence and does not lose her cool on court. Little Miss Reliable knows what her job is and gets it done!

## Team of the month

### 1st XI Boys Football Team

The 1st XI football team endured a tough start to the season, in what is the first year of having regular Wednesday afternoon senior football fixtures. They have faced strong opposition in the form of Wilson's, Oxted and Ewell Castle, which saw the team lose their first four games. Their fortunes then changed, with their first win against Kingston Grammar School (4-2) in a very dominant performance. They have gone from strength to strength ever since, winning three matches in a row against well-respected teams from Claremont, RGS and Guildford. The boys will now look for a fourth win in a row in their final fixture of the term, which is a highly anticipated rematch against Archbishop Tenison's, having narrowly lost 2-0 against them in the first game of the season.

The style of play that the boys are demonstrating is very pleasing to see and although we have a small squad of 14 players, every player in the team has played a huge part in what has been a successful first season for a Dunottar 1st XI. The team has been well led by Max and the boys have shown real maturity and footballing nous in some of their recent wins, closing out matches to keep clean sheets in their last two games.



## Sportswoman of the Month

**Name:** Beanie B (Year 12)

Beanie captained the entire Surrey Schools' Cross Country Team at the recent National Championships in Leeds. She was a pivotal scorer for the Senior Girls' team that took the National Team Title, and therefore had the pleasure of lifting the trophy.

## Sportsman of the Month

**Name:** Leo (Year 8)

Leo has achieved national selection this term. He has been selected, after a rigorous trials procedure, to play for the England U13 Ice Hockey Team in a tour to Finland in April. Last year, Leo missed out on selection for the South of England Ice Hockey team, however, he has shown huge levels of tenacity and warrior spirit in channelling that disappointment into this term's amazing achievement. Throughout this time, and with often long commutes to training, Leo has helped form an integral part of the school rugby sevens and football teams this term.

## Tickets for the PTA Summer Party are on Sale!



Saturday 29 June 2019  
7:00pm to 11:00pm  
Dunottar School

Tickets £25 (includes paella from the Spanish Kitchen)

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/dunottarschoolpta>

Live music from Funkee Junkee -  
"music that makes you want to dance"  
[www.funkeejunkee.co.uk](http://www.funkeejunkee.co.uk)

Cash Bar



## Music Trip to London

On 16th February, 11 pupils from Dunottar went to London for a fully-packed day of musical activities. The day started with a trip to the Horniman Museum in Forest Hill, which houses a famous collection of over 8,000 musical instruments, some dating back to 3,500 years ago. Several of the instruments featured were world instruments such as the kora and talking drum, which feature in the GCSE set works so it was useful for the pupils to see them up close.

We then went on a private guided tour of the Royal Albert Hall and were shown around the huge building. We watched rehearsals for the evening show and had an opportunity to view the royal box and adjoining rooms exclusively used by the royal family on visits to events. Pupils also learnt a lot about the history of the building and the architecture.



Following a walk through Hyde Park and up Piccadilly, pupils enjoyed a pre-theatre meal at Pizza Express and an evening performance of Aladdin in the West End. Several pupils commented on the amazing set design and choreography. We hope that this was an inspiring day for the pupils and that they took lots away from the experience.



## St David's Win House Shout

On Wednesday 27th February, all four houses at Dunottar came together to sing the house shouts, featuring songs by Queen. The event was adjudicated by Jo Eteson-Goldsmith, a member of the Swingle Singers, who gave feedback on each performance and decided on a winner. This year, St. David's won with their performance of 'We Are The Champions'. Earlier that day we held performing classes for instrumentalists and singers; a number of our musicians gave solo and ensemble performances to represent their houses.



## Upcoming Music Events

### Music Events in the Summer Term

- **Saturday 27th April** - Choral Society Concert at St Matthew's Church, Redhill, 7:30pm
- **Thursday 16th May** - Summer Concert, St John's Church, Redhill, 7:30pm
- **Monday 10th June** - Music Scholars' Masterclass & Recital, Ballroom, 7:00pm
- **Saturday 29th June** - Dunottar Chamber Ensemble Summer Soirée, Reigate Park Church, 7:30pm

