

# Ferndown Upper School

## Spring Newsletter 2022

# SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS



## Ryan Symington

Ryan has made a fantastic start to the Triathlon season. He raced with 7 other Juniors from the GB team in Quarteira, Portugal, in a European continental cup race, featuring 70 Juniors from across Europe, he finished 7<sup>th</sup> overall and 1<sup>st</sup> for a GB Junior.

He also raced at the first GB Super Series Triathlon race at Loughborough against the best 55 GB junior triathletes, he won the race getting him off to a great start to the season.



## Ethan Newbury

Congratulations to Ethan for winning the Dorset and Wilts Cup in an unbeaten run of 9 wins in a row for Wimborne RFC.

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**Lauren Harman**

A huge well done to Lauren who has qualified for "Battle of the Champs. She competed in Crawley at the beginning of April and then in Florida, in the cheerleading summit. What a fantastic achievement.



**Kate Wilkinson**

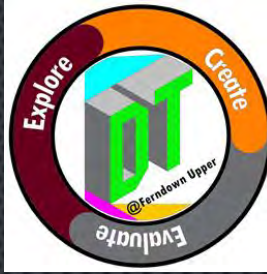
We are pleased to announce that Kate has been chosen to represent Dorset at the South West and English Schools Cross Country over the weekend. Kate competed against the top athletes in her age group at the National English School championships and did herself and the school very proud.





Rotary International  
in Great Britain & Ireland

# Technology Competition



Every year the local branch of the Rotary (a charity that wants to “see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change”) run a Technology Competition. This year our teams of students had to design a buggy only powered by gravity (a falling weight on a string).



YEAR 9 team: Dillon Gilbert, Reuben Hales, Jazz Hebblethwaite and Chloe Fiorillo



YEAR 10 team: Hallie Mboma, Emily Coker, Isobel Hutchison and Johanna Reuter



YEAR 12 team: Elyjah Rawlings, Marc Collins, Harrison Bowden and Ivan Vong

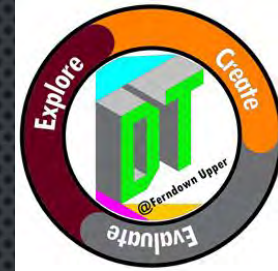




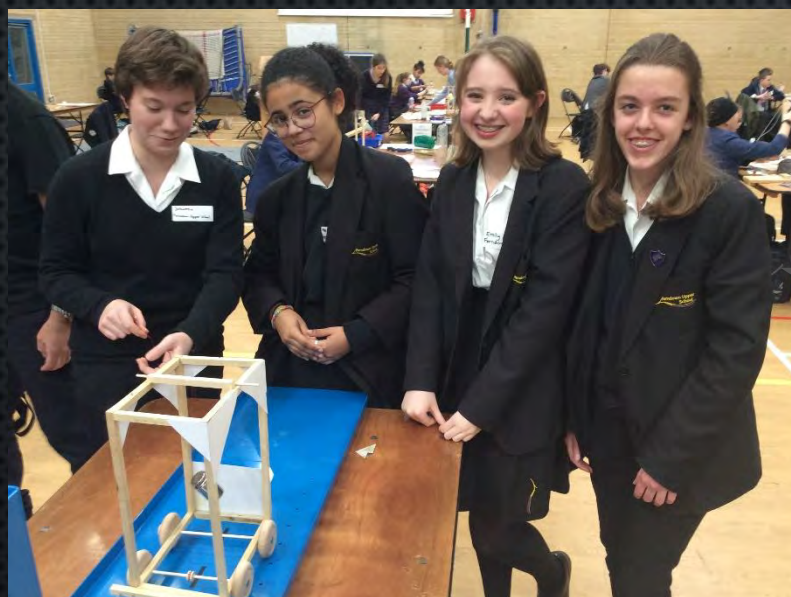


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A great result with  
two of our teams  
coming second –  
well done



YEAR 10  
2nd

YEAR 12  
2nd





## WORLD BOOK DAY 2022



Congratulations 9AHA on being our Murder on the Spag Bol winners fantastic literacy detective skills #WorldBookDay

## SCOUTS EXPEDITION AWARD WINNER



Well done to Jack in year 9 who attended the East Dorset Expedition Challenge with the Scouts. They carried out lots of activities and tasks including an 8 mile hike in the dark using only a compass.

Jack completed the challenge as part of the winning team.

## ETHICS UPDATE



It has been a busy term in the Ethics department. We have had fantastic synagogues built by our year 10 students who have been studying Judaism. They then went on to look at a Jewish Passover meal. Students had the opportunity to eat foods that are eaten during the festival that have special meanings for Jews.

On March 21<sup>st</sup> our sixth form students had the opportunity to meet with Many Faiths Together. They are a multi-faith organisation that visit schools. Students were able to ask a variety of challenging questions such as why does God allow war?

# YMCA AWARD



We were delighted to receive this award from YMCA Bournemouth for the sixth form's incredible fundraising efforts over the last few years! Our sixth formers have slept rough to raise money for the local homeless. Congratulations everyone!

# SPORTS LEADERS



On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 8 Sports leaders took part in supporting the Rippa Rugby Festival that had 12 Primary schools across Dorset taking part in a coaching and then a mini Tag tournament. Our Year 9 and 10 Ferndown Upper School Sports Leaders supported and led coaching to these Year 4 pupils and refereed the competition in the afternoon. They showed great leadership and energy to motivate Year 4 pupils in enjoying and participating in Tag Rugby.

# YOUTH PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS



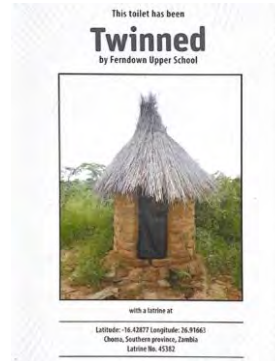
This term our students voted in the Youth Parliament Election for their Young MP. They voted on the topics they want the Youth MPs to campaign on this year on behalf of young people across Dorset.



**CARERS  
TRUST**



**SHELTER**



CHARITIES  
WE HAVE  
SUPPORTED  
THIS TERM:

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# HELP FOR UKRAINE

Started by Emily Harriman, a big thank you to all our brilliant students and staff for bringing in donations for Ukrainian families. These bags of blankets, tents, sanitary products, sleeping bags etc. were all dropped to Castlepoint to head to Poland to support refugee families.

Our wonderful students are also leading a campaign to support families.



The Jon Egging Trust (JET) was established in 2011, following the tragic death of Red Arrows Pilot Jon Egging at the Bournemouth Air Festival on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2011. The Trust was set up to realise Jon's dream of creating links with the RAF and other inspiring environments, to help young people develop their talents and be the best they can be.

The programme is designed to develop confidence and skills through a varied schedule of visits to employers and military bases. Students are challenged to step out of their comfort zone, build their confidence and broaden their aspirations. Mrs Tracy Randell will lead groups of 15 year 9s and 5 year 10s for this academic year.



  
**JonEgging**  
**Trust**

Helping young people achieve



# A Level Textiles Enrichment

**Les Miserables:  
Mayflower Theatre**



**Arts University Bournemouth  
Body Beautiful: Diversity on the  
Catwalk**





## Planetarium Visit

On Friday 25th March, we were delighted to welcome back our annual visit from the Space Odyssey planetarium.

Every one of Space Odyssey's fascinating planetarium presentations is led by Simon Ould, an experienced Science Teacher and Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society. Each student in year 9 had the opportunity to spend a lesson in the dome learning about everything from the planets to the new James Webb space telescope. The day was really well received (as always!) by staff and students alike with really positive and enthusiastic comments about the whole day.

We host this event every year as part of our STEM curriculum to make sure that every student that comes to FUS has the opportunity to experience new things, to expand their horizons and to learn outside of the classroom.





## **This term the Eco-Schools Team have been busy #1**

1. Grown the committee and are now a decent size of 15 students.
2. Collected some volunteers via the DofE – these year 10 students are now working with the team on a weekly basis.
3. Submitted a number of bids to DPD, JTYAF and Hawkins. No success so far but we will keep trying.
4. Had a very positive response from the local allotment association.
5. Had a positive response from ‘Daisy Print’ based on Church Road in Ferndown – who would like to help with signage when we are ready.
6. Four year ten students did a presentation to Ferndown Rotary (they came into school) who said that they would support our plans.





# First Aid Courses @ FUS: March 2022

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>, Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March FUS hosted 3 separate first aid courses. These were focused on first aid for the Duke of Edinburgh Award expeditions and for our Sixth Form Sport group who cover this as part of their Working Safely in Sport unit. In total, 72 students from FUS have benefitted from gaining better skills, knowledge and understanding of first aid.



# Year 13 Psychologists:

We had a team from Zakon come in for a day of Criminology: Crime Scene to Courtroom. This fantastic day sees students examine a crime scene, investigate a murder based on a real-life case and end up in the fight of their life presenting the evidence in a mock courtroom trial.





Some of our Year 11 Spanish students received a special invitation to join us in our delicious banquet, where 6<sup>th</sup> formers shared with them how each recipe was cooked, we watched some videos about food culture in Spain and we discussed our favourite dishes ... in Spanish, of course!

Señora Moyano

**La gastronomía de España y otros  
países hispano-hablantes**

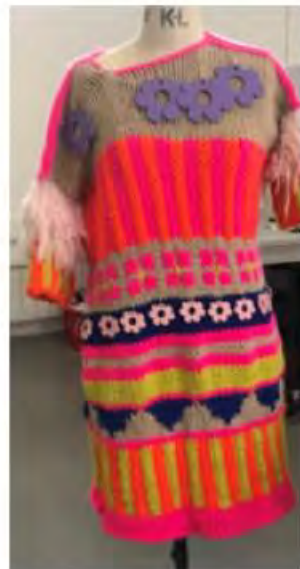
Our 6<sup>th</sup> Form students in Spanish have been cooking some of the most delicious and traditional recipes in the Spanish-speaking world as part of our Gastronomy topic. There's no better way to learn about the culture than bringing it to life in the classroom.



# A Level Textiles : Winchester School of Art visit

Sublimation print and heat press samples using disperse dyes. Coursework portfolio.

Fashion visualisations; collaborative drawings



## BA(Hons) Textiles

Print textile studio visit and campus tour.

**Careers:** textile designer, interiors, fashion, knit, stylist, academic tutor

