

Summer Newsletter 2022

FERNDOWN @ 50

Wednesday 20th July saw the 50th Anniversary of Ferndown Upper School.

With over 300 hundred former students, friends and families attending our 'open school' evening. We also had our annual Summer Show of student creativity, with work from Fine Art, Fashion and Textiles, Photography, Product Design and a show case of Media and Music.

SUMMER SHOW 2022

Let's lose
our heads
and celebrate
the creative
achievements
of our
amazing
students

Fine Art
Fashion
& Textiles
Photography
Design &
Technology
Drama
Music
Media





Well Done Thornton for
winning the House Cup
2022

‘Football: Designing the Beautiful Game’...

<https://designmuseum.org/exhibitions/football-designing-the-beautiful-game>

FUS have made
the top ten for
THREE years
running in this
National Design
Competition

A massive well done to these Year 10 students (Georgia Brown, Emily Coker, Jake Cross, John Mobey and Josh Spencer) who have reached the top ten in Design Ventura for the third year in a row – from over 15,000 students who participated this year representing 397 schools across the country.

We just missed out on top spot but achieved a commendation for ‘Best Design Process’.

The top ten winning entries were on display in the Design Museum until the end of June.



Awards Presentation Evening



Year 10 Young Enterprise Success

The year 10 Young Enterprise company, Bamboozles, attended the Dorset Area Competition. Despite the majority of the competitors being Year 12 students who had been participating since October (we started in March), the company took home the Marketing Award and the judges deemed them to have the best branding.



Art Foundation Diploma Private View



‘I was immensely impressed by the quality and very high standard of work produced by this cohort of students. The work is diverse, covering a range of art and design disciplines and tackles a range of contemporary context and subject matter.

The students demonstrated great independence and self-discipline, producing intelligent and skilful work to a level beyond expectations of this course’ - *Anthony S Dobson, External Moderator, June 2022.*





Duke of Edinburgh Expedition Weekend

On Saturday 2nd July and Sunday 3rd July FUS descended on the Isle of Purbeck to complete the 2022 assessed expedition. Perfect walking weather conditions and amazing camping at East Creech Farm Campsite followed. All walking groups did FUS proud by achieving success over the weekend and by showing grit, determination and resilience. Tired arms and legs were a given – but the pain was only temporary. The laughs, memories and giggles will last a lifetime and so will the students gaining their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Awards! Well done team! We are proud of you all! #FUSFAMILY



6th Form

It's been a jam-packed term in the Sixth Form this Summer.

Highlights include:

- Recruiting for 6th Form Voice
- Jubilee Afternoon Tea
- Yr13 Leavers Day
- Yr12 Yoga Morning
- Progression Day
- 6th Form Games
- FernFest

Students also sat their external and internal exams. We have loved celebrating with you all this Summer and can't wait to see you again in September.



PE Annual Awards

The PE Department held their Celebration Evening where both parents and students were invited to celebrate the success of our sports teams and sports stars. We gave out a range of awards, which included Players Player, Most Committed Player and Coaches' Player of the Year, along with some individual awards and trophies that included the PE Student of the Year in our examination courses – Health & Fitness, GCSE PE and Level 3 Sport. We are extremely proud of these students and as you can see from some of the pictures, it was a great evening.



FUS SPORTS DAY 2022



Well done to Read House who won this years sports day.

It was a fantastic day enjoyed by all staff and students.

And while the 6th form won the Relay they did not win the Tug of War.



Charity Relay Score Sheet

	C OTI Girls	C OTI Boys	C MAA Girls	C MAA Boys	C KOR Girls	C KOR Boys	Cheetham Total
No of Laps	26	30	23	25	25	29	158
Tutor Group Total	56		48		54		158

	R KMD Girls	R KMD Boys	R RGA Girls	R RGA Boys	R TO Girls	R TO Boys	Read Total
No of Laps	24	31	18	31	17	30	151
Tutor Group Total	55		49		47		151

	T DLH Girls	T DLH Boys	T SSI Girls	T SSI Boys	T KH Girls	T KH Boys	Thornton Total
No of Laps	15	31	21	33	21	32	153
Tutor Group Total	46		54		53		153

Tutor group 1st - C OTI

Tutor Group 2nd - R KMD

Tutor Group 3rd - = 3rd C KOR

T SSI

Overall House Winner -

CHEETHAM



Last Day of School - Ice Lolly Day



FUS Platinum Award Winners



We were delighted to take our top 74 students to New Forest Water Park to congratulate them on being our Platinum Award winners with the highest praise point in school. It was an absolute pleasure to reward them for all their hard work over the year. We can't wait to go back next year.

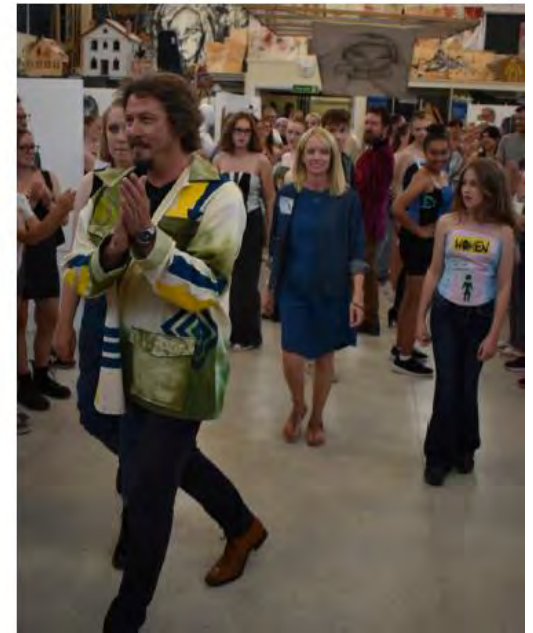
FUS Gold Award Winners Event



Our Silver award winners have also loved their free cake and drink in the school café over the last few weeks.



Fashion Show 2022

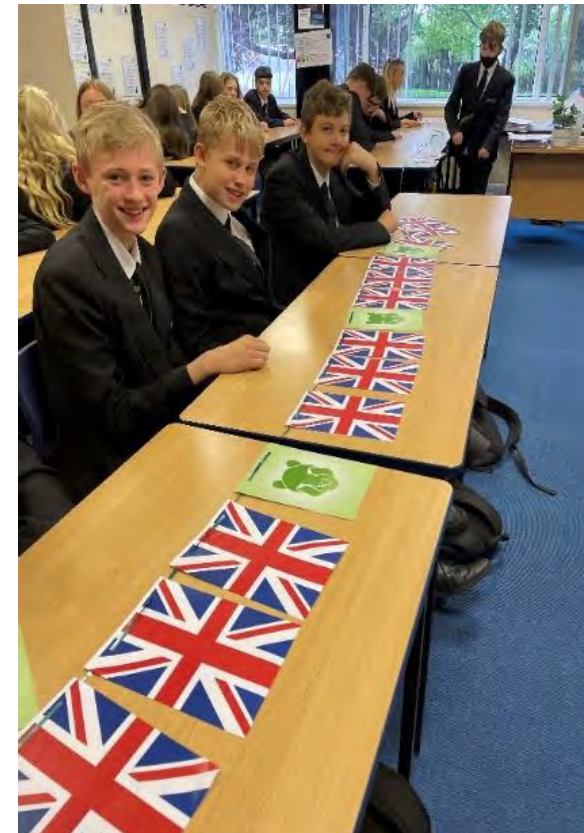


Jon Egging Opportunities ...





Be part of something... Our Jubilee Celebration



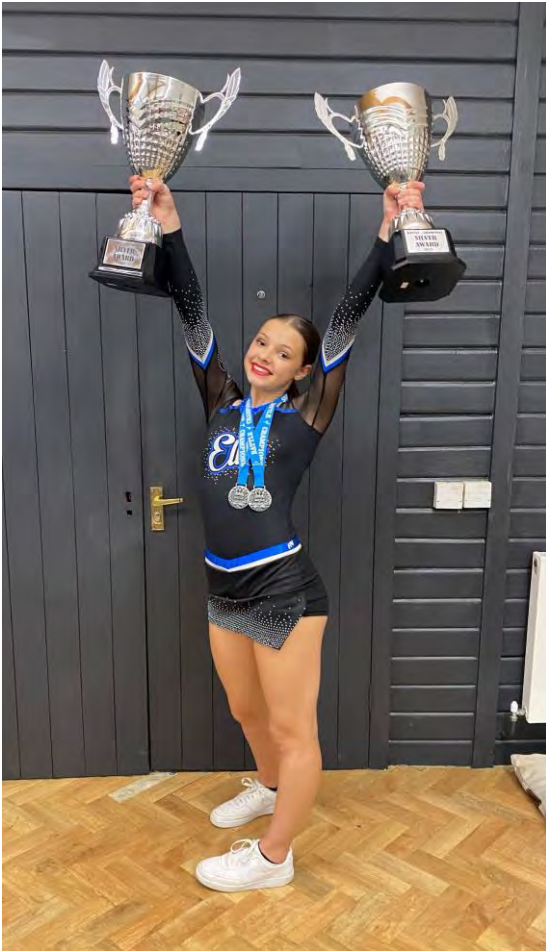
Student Achievements



Dan Eugenio - competed in Wimborne's U14 Football Team and beat Poole Town 2 - 0 in the Dorset County Cup Final – well done.



Daniel Morris - competed a 25km walk to raise funds for the John Thornton Young Achievers Foundation. So far he has raised a massive £620. We are very proud of your achievement.



Well done to Lauren Harman whose cheerleading team came second overall at the Battle of the Champs Competition on Saturday; they have become Silver Royal Champions.



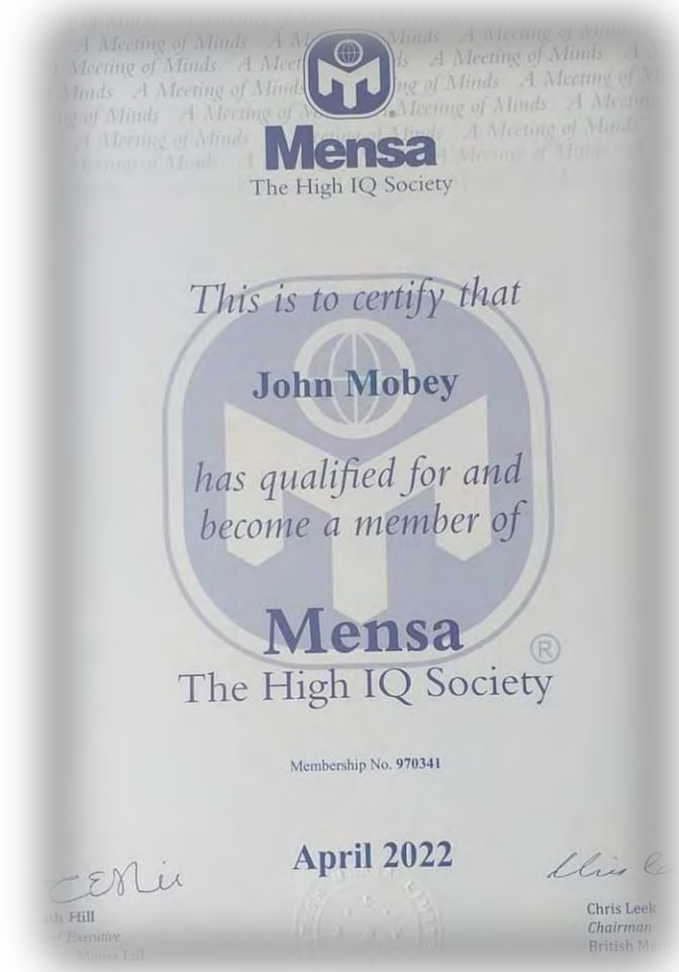
MASSIVE CONGRATULATIONS to the Year 10 girls - Charlotte, Charlotte, Ruby, Ella and Aimee – for representing Merley Cobham. The girls took part in the U15 Girls Cup Final and were runners up to Poole Town. They played amazingly - well done girls, we're really proud of you.

Ollie Wins Silver

Ollie Deretz takes silver in the 200m Fly at the South West Regional Championships



John Joins Mensa



Y12 Go To The V&A



Y12 Go To AUB



Careers Fair 2022



In July we held our Annual careers fair. We had over a 150 students attend and 30 exhibitors from a wide range of sectors such as finance, higher education and the automotive industry.

Staff Badminton Tournament



Thank you to all staff that took part in the Badminton tournament this year. It was great to see some new faces. We had lots of fun, some great badminton and some close games.

Well done to Mrs Hicks and Mr Watson who were the 2022 Champions.

Year 11 Prom

<https://www.bournemouthcho.co.uk/.../20246527.ferndown.../>



Year 13 Graduation





Spanish Cooking Competition 2022



- Our students took part in the Spanish cooking competition, there were 17 teams and 17 delicious Spanish dishes were served.
- A delicious range of traditional Spanish dishes included Paella, Tortilla Española (Spanish omelette) , Patatas Bravas (spicy tomatoes), and Tocino de Cielo (a very technically advanced custard pudding – only for the brave).
- 7 food judges scrutinised each dish, looking for excellent taste, texture, authenticity, and presentation.
- 2 blindfolded students judges got a more insightful understanding of each dish.
- The result: A tasty experience and a better understanding of Spanish gastronomy.

FUS Drama Events





Mrs Chater, Mrs Elliott and Louise (former FUS colleague) took part in the Jurassic Coast Challenge this June, walking 26.2 miles up & down the Purbeck Hills for charities, all chosen for very personal reasons.

Well done ladies.

Thank you!