



DURRINGTON NEWSLETTER

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We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has donated to our Y11 Summer Ball campaign. Whether it be as an individual or as a business, your kindness and generosity will make a big difference to our students.

Next week our Y11 students begin their GCSE exams. We are extremely

proud of how hard they have worked in preparation for these exams. They should be going into them full of confidence and looking forward to the next stage of their education.

We wish them all the very best.

*Shaun Allison & Chris Woodcock
Co-Headteachers*

DHS in the press
@SussexWorld



Read all about it here:

[Why Fulham, Ipswich Town and Newport County goals caught the eye of Worthing school's staff](#)

[30 school football team photos from Worthing, Shoreham and Lancing](#)

[Durrington High School geography trip to Iceland](#)

[Worthing students connect through a love of football](#)



'Pringle Package Challenge' with Y7 science club

Year 7 science club students were set a 'Pringle Package' challenge. They had to create packaging for a single pringle that was going to be tested by posting the pringle packages back to the school.

Students got into teams of two or three, and using materials such as packaging peanuts, bubble wrap, cardboard, newspaper etc. they put their designs and ideas to work. The packages were then posted and we waited for them to arrive at school.

During science club we revealed if any of the pringles had successfully made it back unscathed. Many of the pringles were broken with some smashed into lots of little bits. However, one team

managed to get their pringle back with only a slight fracture. Ella Haskell and Tahlia Brown packaged their pringle in such a way that after going through the Royal Mail it was still intact. Covering their pringle in packaging peanuts, and then surrounding it in bubble wrap before immersing it in newspaper allowed them to take the victory. As winners of this challenge they received a certificate, a pot of pringles, and an Aspiration KAPP badge.

All the students enjoyed this challenge and it allowed us to discuss how packaging of products and food is so important.

Congratulations Ella and Tahlia on your win.



Y8 Basketball District Winners

Congratulations to the DHS Y8 basketball team who won the District Final in a really high standard and competitive game against St Andrews.

The final score was DHS 52 – St Andrews 42, with player of the match Kian Davies scoring 24 points. Leon Fricker was also excellent scoring 9 points. Well done to you all.

DHS Art & Design Show 2023

Thursday 6th July 4.30pm – 6.00pm

Venue: Durrington High School

DHS - Best of the Best 2023

11th – 13th July 10am – 5.00pm

Venue: Colonnade House

Visitors will be treated to our amazing students fine art, textiles, graphics and photography work.



Year 10

Dare to Dream

It was great to welcome Jack the Lad and the Dare to Dream team back to Durrington for their second inspirational presentation with our Year 10 students.

This initiative is run by the Love Local Jobs Foundation and aims to motivate students and enhance self-awareness, resilience and employability skills.

Supported by local company Carpenter Box, a selection of students were invited to attend mentoring sessions which included team building skills, and last week they also had the opportunity to take part in a workplace visit at the companies offices based in Worthing.

Worthing College

Thank you to Worthing College who led a special assembly with our Year 10s recently. Getting to know more about what the college has to offer, and the various courses and opportunities available, it was extremely inspiring as our students consider their next steps in Further Education.



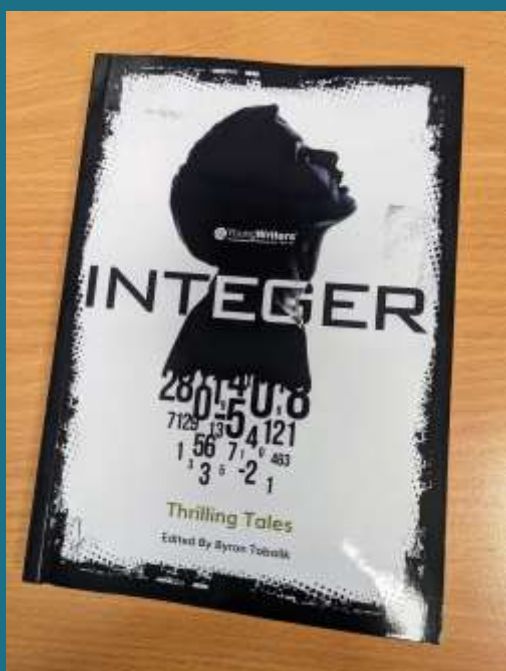


DHS published authors

Congratulations to Olivia Yard, Erin Spicer, Rose Cornwall, Isla Bainbridge and Hazel Fraser who were selected to become published writers in Integer's latest national edition!

The girls entered the recent competition, where they had to create a thrilling short story using numbers as a key component, and are delighted they can now read their work in the published book.

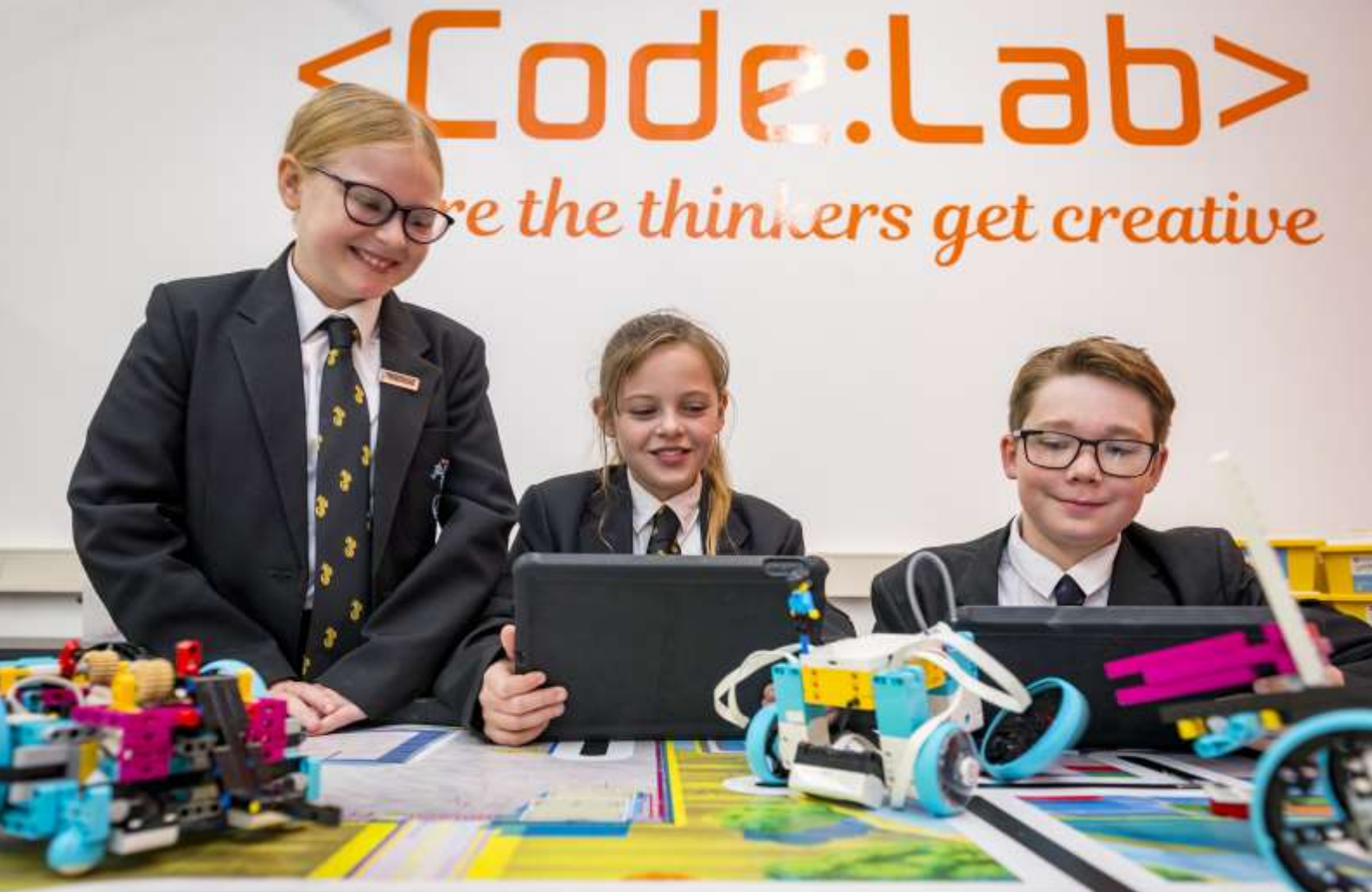
Well done to you all.



KAPP Cup Winners

Congratulations to Coubertin Company - winners of the KAPP Cup for this half term!





Computing

Year 7 are completing their spreadsheet lessons where they are modelling data from a Theme Park, they are learning spreadsheet formulas such as COUNTA, SUM, COUNTIF and conditional formatting.

Year 8s are learning how computers work, this week students had a live demonstration from their teachers where a PC was taken apart in front of them, including opening up the Solid state drives and the power supply units, so pupils got a good idea of the components needed to build a computer, for many this was their first chance to see and hold a CPU, Hard Disk Drive and RAM.



Year 9 have started creating their 3D models of their smart eco homes of the future, they have been given the brief to design a smart intelligent home of the future that will use less energy and even generate its own electricity while having all the latest gadgets.

GCSEs - Good luck to 8 Year 11 GCSE classes who are days away from their first Computer Science, BTEC IT and Business GCSE exams and are working hard on their revision.



DHS Clubs

We have had a fantastic couple of weeks in the PE department with summer clubs seeing a great turnout.

Over the last couple of weeks our amazing sports captains have done us proud with representing themselves and the school really well, helping at KS1 and KS2 cricket events hosted at Durrington.

They helped with a range of activities on the day and were fantastic coaches and role models at both events.

First ball of the cricket and rounders seasons will be bowled this week and we wish good luck to all Durrington teams and look forward to seeing the results come in.

The full list of clubs can be viewed [here](#):

[Durrington High School Club List](#)



DHS Sports Captains



Recruitment

Teaching Assistant

Closing date: 9am on Friday 19th May 2023

Cover Supervisor

Closing date: 9am on Friday 19th May 2023

SCITT

Are you a parent or carer interested in becoming a teacher? Come and train with an Ofsted outstanding provider!

Our school is part of a partnership of schools leading the way for more school-led teacher training as part of The South Downs SCITT. This is really important to us because it means we can choose the very best talent and develop them into teachers. Being able to choose who we train as teachers helps us in delivering the best outcomes for the students at Durrington High School.

We have vacancies now to start training from September 2023 and we would be very interested to hear from you if you are thinking of becoming a teacher or know someone who is.

Get in touch with the friendly team at The South Downs SCITT - Tel: 01903 705671

(Durrington Multi Academy Trust, The Boulevard, Worthing).



Diary Dates

- Monday 15th May GCSE examinations begin
- Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June - Half term

Social media

Don't forget you can follow all the latest news on our social media pages including our brand new Instagram page!

- [Facebook](#)
- [Twitter](#)
- [Instagram](#)





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