

## Book of the Month

### Sixteen Souls

By Rosie Talbot

Featured book of the month, Intertwining spooky themes for Halloween and celebrating Black History Month. A mystery about vanishing famous spirits in York, while navigating challenges and a budding romance.



## Club Spotlight

### Nordic Club

Do you want to learn about the wonder of modern and ancient Scandinavia? Learn to speak their language? Eat their food? Then come to Nordic club for a friendly atmosphere, to learn, laugh and have fun.

Location: G27M

Time: Wednesday lunchbreak

## Shoutout

### Mr. Rahman

A great science teacher and voted by students as the most sarcastic teacher of DHS.

## Meet the Teacher

Name: Lambert (KLa)

Subject: SME/Citizenship

Fun Fact: I am part Cambodian.

**My mother's tribe were nomadic, before they settled in India and were colonized by the British.**



## Open Evening Success!

*On the 5<sup>th</sup> October, we opened our doors to allow visitors to see all the amazing work we do here at Durrington High School. Throughout the evening our reporters were out asking parents, carers and perspective students what their thoughts were on our school.*

Durrington High School's Open Evening left a lasting impression on teachers and parents, and most importantly the students. There were experiments in Science, competitions in P.E., beautiful displays in Art, powerful speeches and shows in the hall, and most importantly (or as it seemed to many tour groups being speedily shifted towards the cafe) mouth-watering food in the Pavilion. Our school was shining brightly for all to see. But don't take this writer's completely unbiased word for it... have a read through some of the visitors remarks.

The school was described as 'great' and 'flourishing,' with 'amazing students' and a 'fantastic art department.' Attendees praised the welcoming atmosphere, calling everyone 'very friendly' and the activities 'cool.' The DT department received special mention, and the performance of the cast of *Sister Act* was 'incredible.' A year 6 student said that 'This is the best school I have seen; the students are funny, and the teachers are really nice. I cannot wait to come here.' Parents were proud to see year 6 students engaging with GCSE students, making it a truly 'amazing' night.

## Can you solve this?

I follow you all the time and copy your every move, but you can't touch me or catch me. What am I?

## We're only joking!

Where do bad rainbows go to?

Prism! It's a light sentence, and gives them time to reflect.

# USE YOUR VOICE!



Have a story you want to share?

Have a person/club/event that needs more recognition?

Have an opinion/advice the school needs to hear?

## JOIN US TODAY!

If you would like to be a part of the next school newspaper then send your work to Miss Foster, or join the club. We meet every Thursday after school in G32E.

Email: [mfoster@durring.com](mailto:mfoster@durring.com)

Location: G32E English



## Science Experiment

### SHERBET!

Alright, let's whip up some tasty sherbet with everyday kitchen supplies.

Here's what you'll need:

- A regular spoon (not a magic wand!)
- Your typical kitchen bowl (nothing too fancy)
- Citric acid (it's a bit tangy)
- Bicarbonate of soda (for some fizz)
- Icing sugar (the sweet stuff)
- And don't forget the popping candy for a little surprise!

Now, let's get cookin' - well, not exactly cooking:

1. Take one flat scoop of bicarbonate of soda. Not too much, not too little.
2. Add one big ol' spoonful of citric acid. It's what gives your sherbet its zing.
3. Toss in three level spoonfuls of icing sugar. This makes it sweet and awesome.

Stir them together in your plain old bowl, and voilà! You've just whipped up a batch of sherbet.

Feel free to adjust the ingredients if you want it sweeter or sourer.

Have fun, and enjoy your homemade treat!

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What do people really think about DHS?

Has football lost its touch?

Will the musical be heavenly?

Written and reported by students.

## Clothes for Charity

*Interview with SSLT Members on this year's charity fundraiser*

**What is the fundraiser that you are doing this year?**

As this year's fundraiser, we are hosting an event that is donating clothes to **Turning Tides**, **Guild Care** and **Marie Curie** to help raise money. They can be clothes from home but also school uniform - which will be given back to the school and used as spare school supplies.

**When is this running?**

It will run for a singular day on November 10<sup>th</sup> with a build-up the week before.

**Is there a prize for those who bring in the most amount of clothes?**

There will be Domino's pizza for the form group that bring in the most amount of clothes. We're going to measure this by giving each form two bin bags and seeing how full we can get each binbag. The first will be for donated school uniforms, and the second for their own clothes.

**How will you advertise this?**

Once we get back from half term, there will be slideshows in all Period 1 lessons for the week, as well as us going around all company assemblies to talk about it and promote it. We've also got posters and videos for around the school.

**What made you want to do specifically clothes?**

Mostly because it's coming up to winter and it's really good to give something that we have as a school in plenty, to those who perhaps don't. Also, we feel like we focus a lot on donating money, food, and toiletries in the Christmas hampers around the holidays; it'll be good to do something different and unique this year.

**Did you choose these charities for any specific reason?**

They're all local charities and we wanted to support the local communities, instead of doing a wider thing for the whole county or beyond. Really focus on benefitting and supporting the area we live in.



## Mrs. Steele. She'll steal your heart!

*An interview with Geography teacher, Mrs. Steele.*

After the great feedback from Mr Frost's interview last month, we decided to interview Mrs Steele.

Mrs Steele joined Durrington back in 2020 as a geography teacher. She has recently progressed to be the Deputy House Leader of Angelou House. Thank you, Mrs. Steele for all your hard work and dedication to DHS.



Here's what she had to say about her journey to becoming a teacher. Enjoy!

### Who or what inspired you to become a teacher?

I don't think any particular person inspired me. It was more that I wanted to help people and I thought about how I could do that and specifically to help children. This led me to teaching because it is a career that can help them do whatever they want after high school, specifically disadvantaged children that have come from backgrounds that haven't had the same advantages as others, and I wanted to make sure they did well.

### Why did you choose to teach geography?

I chose to teach geography because I've always enjoyed it. I did a journalism degree before this and I wanted to write for National Geographic. I've always been really interested in the subject as I think it's really interesting and cool. I think geography helps us to be aware of the world around us. It also helps children to be empathetic about other countries and other people.

**“Geography helps us to be aware of the world around us. It helps children to be empathetic about others”**

### Were there any memorable moments in your teaching career?

I've been teaching four years now and oddly nothing really stands out aside from watching a student who doesn't get it suddenly understand what you're teaching them. I think that's really special. My previous Yr11 class worked really, really hard and they got the grades they deserved, and I was really impressed.

### What are some likes and dislikes of being a head of a house?

One thing I like is helping children more with their homelife and thrive in school. What I dislike is having to deal with all the detentions and phone call homes!

Reporter: Matilda Cutting

## Time to Tackle Sexism.

*We want students to express their views! This month a student has produced a piece highlighting their frustration with the treatment of women's football.*

Women's football caught the public eye after England won the Euros in 2022. And then again after getting to the final of the women's world cup this summer. However, a lot of abuse flew at the women the second the tournament kicked off. Why is it that the women can go and win major trophies, yet the men are still considered "better"?



The Lionesses (England Women's team) drove this summer to score the biggest goal there is to achieve in football. Unfortunately, they lost 1-0 against Spain by a goal scored by Olga Carmona (a Spanish professional player).

Yet the Lionesses were still abused by fans. Lauren James received a red card in the game against Nigeria. The abuse she received was horrific. She got verbal abuse such as “No better than a pair of rubber gloves!”, “Someone's on their period.”, “Football brings out aggression in women...” Yet the minute the men receive a red card it's “Brexit means Brexit!”, “Who cares! That was such a good tackle.”

**“Is it just hatred of sexist disrespect?”**

As a girl who has experienced verbal abuse after being passionate for something I love, it's alarming to see this. Is it just hatred or sexist disrespect?

It's upsetting to know how frowned upon Women's Football is. BUT the women have proved how successful can be and are! The Euros in 2022 and The World Cup in 2023 have proven that these women work incredibly hard and are only disrespected because they are women.



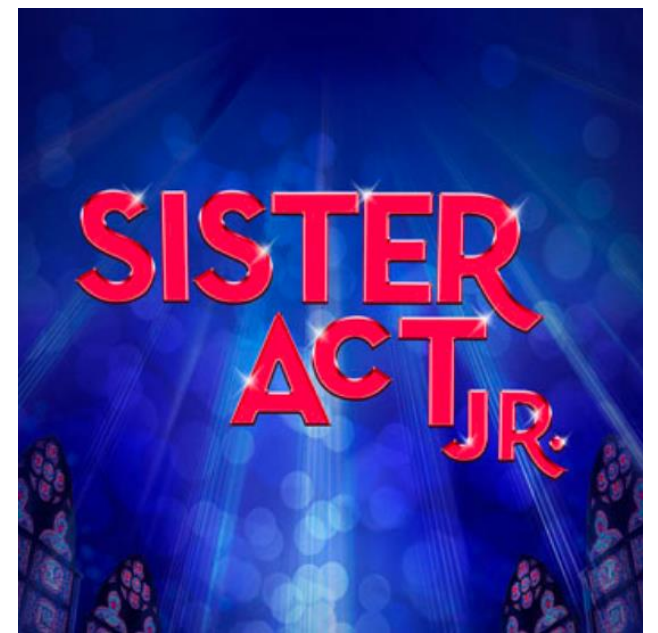
If you're still hating women's football let's be honest, you're jealous that the women can set a goal and achieve it. The England men's team have never won the Euros and I'm still waiting for the day their 57 years of hurt are over.

Move over men, the women have brought home the trophies that the men couldn't!

## Sister Act. Are they ready for their standing ovation?

*Our theatre reporters sat down with Miss Maughan and some of our drama stars to discuss Durrington's upcoming whole school musical 'Sister Act Jr.'.*

When asking why they chose this musical, Miss Maughan swooned over her dedicated and talented Yr10s and Yr11s and said that it was ‘an opportunity to celebrate them and showcase their amazing work as an ensemble’. She added that they have a ‘great cast of girls with angelic voices, especially when they harmonise’, and with an overwhelming 15 songs it can really highlight their abilities to perform as a group. Wow! They've only just begun and I've got chills.



Ellie Leaver, who is playing Mary Patrick (the Loud Nun), thinks she is ‘well suited’ to the character as she shares many of her great aspects (and the fact that she is known to be very loud). In true Mary Patrick form, Ellie is looking forward to singing as many songs as she can... as loudly as she can. Ellie also spoke to us about the rehearsals... or what little rehearsing they do amongst the fun! She reassured us that they ‘still get all the work done but have a good laugh at the same time’. Ellie raved about how everyone is really welcoming and ‘if anyone is nervous, they all band together to comfort them as one big, happy family’ (aw, very much an ‘All for Nun and Nun for All’ kind of feeling).

We also chatted with Bethany Evans (playing Sister Mary Roberts) who whittled down her similarity with her character as ‘She has a fringe and so do I!’. Bethany told us how she adores to sing as it is her way of expressing herself. ‘To sing in this show is special, enchanting, magical!’ Bethany is looking forward to opening night already as this was when the teachers were in ‘such a good mood’ (the teachers may be nun too happy about that one).

Thank you for the catch-up sisters. We cannot wait until the rehearsals are all Nun and dusted, and we can enjoy your Nunderful show later in the school year... okay, okay that joke isn't Nunny anymore.

### Upcoming Events:

Carol Service: 11<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Concert: 14<sup>th</sup> December

School Musical: 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> March