# Sport at Millfield Polo

### Why try Polo?

The stick skills of hockey combined with the aggression of rugby, and a basic ability to ride, add up to a thrilling sport which soon becomes an addiction.



### Who can do it?

Polo at Millfield is available to all pupils as a Games option during the school year. We travel to Vaux Park Polo Club, situated just 30 minutes from school, to train with our Coach Tim Vaux. Full-time players can play or train every day except Monday and regularly participate in club chukkas/tournaments. Pupils who wish to try polo can learn basic riding skills during the autumn term at the Millfield Equestrian Centre.



#### Highlights from 2018-19

- Three time SUPA National Champions in March 2019, Intermediate & Novice in the Arena and Intermediate in June 2019
- Winner of The Sandpool Trophy at the Druids Lodge Schools Tournament
- Millfield Polo Invitational
- Winners of The Sacher and Ian Balding Cups
- Fourth in the Copenhagen Cup, an annual schools tournament at Wellington College

### Looking forward to 2019-20

- Full programme of training, including friendly matches, SUPA and club tournaments
- Recruitment of new players and development of existing players and teams at both Millfield and Millfield Prep

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### High performance

Millfield Polo has been hugely successful this year, particularly in our annual SUPA Tournaments. In March, three teams played at Rugby Polo Club in Warwickshire for the SUPA Senior Schools National



Arena Tournament. Two teams competed in the Intermediate section, coming in 1st and 2nd place, and one team competed in the Novice, achieving 1st place. In the summer we travelled to Black Bears Polo Club in Oxfordshire for the SUPA Senior Schools Summer Tournament, with one team competing in the Intermediate section and coming in 1st place. Gabriel Iglesias was also awarded the Worshipful Saddle Company's 'Most Promising Player'. This year we have been National Champions three times.



## Success stories and future stars

Jemima joined Millfield in Year 9. Jemima has been playing polo for around two years and



is currently a -1 handicap. In 2018, Jemima was chosen to represent Ireland in an international ladies' tournament versus USA. Since arriving at Millfield, Jemima has become a key player in our teams.

#### Captain 2019-20

Our 2019-20 Captain is Armand. He is a French player



based in Switzerland who started playing polo at 10 years old, and has since played in many countries including Argentina, England and Switzerland. His home club is Polo Park Zurich. This is Armand's second year as Captain, in his first year he has done an excellent job and has matured greatly; he is an excellent leader.

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