



HARROW
SCHOOL

SPORTING SUCCESS AT HARROW

2025-26

Work has begun on the new Sports Centre, with completion planned for the 2028/29 academic year.

The centre will provide exceptional facilities for generations of Harrovians, including two multi-use sports halls, a 25-metre swimming pool and learner pool, strength and conditioning suites, a dojo, a climbing wall, teaching spaces, physiotherapy and treatment rooms, hospitality areas and much more.

Designed to exceed current energy efficiency standards and complemented by extensive landscaping, the building reflects our commitment to sustainability as well as sporting and educational excellence.



Appointments



We are delighted to welcome Tom Webley as our new Director of Sport.

Tom joins us with over two decades of experience, most recently as Director of Sport at Wells Cathedral School, where he oversaw a whole-school programme. His career includes significant leadership roles such as Assistant Head of Lower School, Head of Academic PE and Director of Cricket at Merchant Taylors' School, as well as Head of Physical Education at Kimbolton School.

Before moving into education, Tom enjoyed an impressive professional playing career with Somerset County Cricket Club, and he has since become one of the most highly qualified coaches in the country. His credentials include the ECB Level 4 Master Coach, Chartered High Performance Coach and multiple national governing body awards across cricket, hockey and rugby. Alongside his practical expertise, Tom holds an MSc in Elite Coaching.

We are also delighted to welcome Mike Friday as Director of Rugby.



A former England Sevens captain, Mike enjoyed a distinguished 15-a-side playing career with Wasps RFC and Harlequins FC before establishing himself as one of the most respected coaches in world rugby. Renowned for his energy and his ability to develop players to their full potential, Mike has helped nurture numerous England internationals. He is equally respected for his commitment to mentoring young people, instilling character, humility and resilience alongside rugby excellence. We look forward to the significant impact he will have on our rugby programme and, most importantly, on the development of our boys as both players and young men.

In his role as Director of Rugby, Mike will work alongside Master-in-Charge of Rugby Alex Griffith-Jones, with whom he will shape the strategic direction of rugby across the School. He will coach both the XV and the 1st VII, promote a lifelong enjoyment of the game, and support Harrow's broad and inclusive 20-team rugby programme.

Mike will also collaborate closely with teaching staff to deliver a consistent and effective coaching philosophy across all age groups. Drawing on his extensive elite performance experience, he will support players aspiring to progress to higher levels of the game, while contributing to the identification and recruitment of talented young rugby players at 13+ and 16+ entry points.

Harrow secured victory over Eton at Lord's for the fifth consecutive year



Highlights 2025-26

ATHLETICS

- **Harrow won** convincingly over Whitgift, St Edward's, Hampton School, Highgate, Brighton College, Grey Court, RGS Guilford, Dulwich College, St Benedict's, The Coopers' Coborn and Company School, St Albans, Charterhouse, Epsom College and Tonbridge at season meetings.
- **Harrow retained the Guy Butler Shield.**
- **European U18 Championships:** representing Team GB, Tito Odunaike won triple-jump gold, recording a championship record with a world-leading jump of 16.12m. Henrik Willett, representing Norway, finished 7th in the 100m, recording a personal best time of 10.51s and setting new U17 Norwegian and School records.
- **England U20 Indoor Championships:** Tito Odunaike won gold in the triple jump with a championship best performance of 16.01m, setting a new United Kingdom U18 record in the process. The jump was the best in Europe by a considerable margin and the best achieved worldwide by an U18 athlete in over a decade. Tito also competed at the World U20 Championships.
- **Norwegian U20 Championships:** Henrik Willett broke the Norwegian age-group record in the 200m event with a time of 21.21s.
- **Novuna UK Athletics Indoor Championships:** Tito Odunaike took gold in the men's triple jump with a superb 15.75m. Tito becomes the youngest ever winner of the men's British title.
- **Mannheim International in Germany:** Tito Odunaike, representing GB U20, won gold with a personal best distance of 16.12m. This is a new British U18 record.
- **Middlesex County Championships:** 22 Harrow athletes were selected to compete at the Middlesex Track & Field Championships.
 - ◆ Dim Agunbiade was placed 1st in his 100m final with a time of 23.48.
 - ◆ Jojo Aidoo finished 2nd in his 300m final, recording an impressive time of 39.59.

- ◆ Max Duggan found form with his final javelin throw, securing the gold medal with 40.36m.
- ◆ Henrik Willett continued his excellent 100m form, running 10.79 in the final to take 1st place.
- ◆ Sam Jiang faced technical challenges in the long jump and secured bronze with a jump of 5.90m.
- ◆ Duke Nwokoye achieved a personal best of 1.80m in the high jump, claiming 2nd place.
- ◆ Liam Callanan showed consistency in the triple jump, finishing in 2nd place with an 11.13m jump.
- ◆ Evan Song produced a strong throw of 10.87m to win gold in the shot put.

- **Inter-Counties Championships:** Seven Harrovians competed in this competition. Dim Agunbiade produced an outstanding run to win the 200m in 22.77, while Jojo Aidoo claimed gold in the U15 300m in 38.06, setting a new School record. Henrik Willett was dominant, securing double gold in the U17 100m and 200m. Henrik Willett, Dim Agunbiade and Henry Barker (3000m) progressed to the National Championships in Birmingham.

BASKETBALL

- **London Independent Schools Basketball Association:** Harrow became champions, beating Watford Grammar School in the final 49-35.
- **Wellington Cup Champions:** the Harrow team became Wellington Cup champions.
- **England U15 Championships:** Ayomide Ajayi was selected to play for the England U15 team, starting in games against Scotland, Ireland and Wales. He also represented Italy U16s in the European Championships.

CLIMBING

- **Rupert Lawless finished 6th of 1,000 climbers in a national championship,** earning selection for the Ireland men's climbing team.

CRICKET

- **England U19s:** Jack Nelson played for England in several youth internationals against the West Indies and Bangladesh. He was also awarded a professional contract with Middlesex CC and scored 76 in his first game at Lord's in the One-Day Cup.



- **23 boys are currently playing for counties** including Middlesex, Surrey, Essex, Lancashire and Gloucestershire.
- **Harrow defeated Eton at Lord's by 80 runs, securing victory for the fifth consecutive year.**
- **The 1st XI won the Cowdrey Cup**, defeating Charterhouse, Eton College, Radley College, Tonbridge and Wellington.
- **T20 Cup**: the U17s reached the finals of the competition.
- **The Colts As enjoyed an undefeated season.**

CROSS-COUNTRY

- **The Knole Run**: Harrow's runners took 2nd place.
- **ESAA Cross Country Cup regional round**: Harrow secured 4th place.
- **Middlesex County Championships**: Otis Farrer-Brown won the senior race.

FENCING

- **Independent Schools Judo Tournament**: 24 boys represented the School. An impressive medal tally including seven gold medals secured the team the title for the second consecutive year.
- **National level competitors**: Several Harrow fencers competed at national level, including Nathan Goff (USA), William Lee (Malaysia) and Wilfred Kent (GB).
- **Public Schools' Championships**: Notable performances included:
 - ◆ Senior Foil (65 competitors): Nathan Goff 3rd; Sinan Basak 15th
 - ◆ Junior Foil (85 competitors): Wilfred Kent 14th; Vincent Vogel 21st
 - ◆ Senior Epee (122 competitors): Nathan Goff 5th
 - ◆ Junior Epee (109 competitors): Erik Stjernsward 36th
 - ◆ Senior Sabre (62 competitors): Aidan Lee 3rd
 - ◆ Junior Sabre (72 competitors): 1st – William Lee
 - ◆ Mount-Haes Sabre (72 competitors): Cameron Reynolds 18th

FOOTBALL

- **The Junior Colts A team reached the ISFA 4th round.**
- **The 1st XI finished second in the league** following a 2-2 draw against St Paul's in the final game of the season.
- **Teddy Tarbotton signed a professional contract with Queens' Park Rangers.**

GOLF

- **Swifts Strokeplay Championships**: regional finalists
- **Gerald Micklem Trophy**: semi-finalists
- **West Sussex National Invitational Foursomes**: 5th of 16 teams competing
- **Junior National Finals**: Troy Buttimer achieved 7th place

JUDO

- **London Area Schools Judo Championships**: Trophy winners with 2 gold, 2 silver and 3 bronze medals
- **British Schools Judo Championships**: Gold medal in the Senior +90kg category and bronze medal in the Intermediate +90kg category
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POLO

- **National Arena Championships**: Harrow A team came third in the top division, and Harrow B second in the intermediate division.

RACKETS AND REAL TENNIS

- **Max Warner won the U16 National Schools Rackets Singles Championships.** He also won both the U16 and U18 Junior Real Tennis Championships for the third successive year. Max now holds 11 such titles, more than anyone else in the history of the competition.



RUGBY

- **Tom Dargan signed a professional contract with Saracens, while Charlie Hammick and Ollie Moran both joined French Pro D1 and D2 teams.**
- **European Men's 7s:** Michael Lourie represented Sweden.
- **NextGen U18 Prem Academy League:** 5 Harrovians represented Saracens, 1 represented Northampton and 1 Bath.
- **14 Harrovians are included in the Saracens U18 and U17 training squads.**
- **Tom Dargan, Eli de Venecia and Taniel Tumusiime all trained with England age-group squads.**
- **Noah Poyser and Ben Leinwand were invited to train with Canada U20.**
- **Middlesex U18 7s:** Harrow were competition finalists.
- **All England U16 7s:** Harrow reached the quarter-finals.
- **Talal Nsouli and Will Codrington played for the English Schools Lambs National Select XV.**
- **Old Harrovian Maro Itoje captained the British and Irish Lions to a Series win in Australia.**
- **Three Old Harrovian captains of the 1st XV, Henry Arundell, Kepu Tuipulotu and Sam Winters, all played for Bath Rugby against Worcester.**
- **Taniel Tumusiime represented the England U18 team in South Africa playing in matches against Georgia, France and the host nation; he was named one of the Five to Watch.**
- **Sam Gibbard-Jones was selected to represent Wales U18.**

SKIING

- **Canada Cup 2025:** 1st overall; winners of the inaugural International Trophy
- **British Artificial Slope Finals:** 4th place
- **International School Boys Races:** U16 team won the new Snowaces Cup; Harrow A team won a silver medal in the Parallel event

- **British Indoor Schools' Championships:** Individual silver and bronze medals and overall winners of Category 4

SQUASH

- **National Schools Final:** The 1st V achieved 6th place in the National Schools finals at Edgbaston.
- **Several Harrovians are engaged in County-level training and entering bronze and silver tournaments.**

SWIMMING

- **ESSA National Team Championships:** 4x50m medley relay – Seniors 6th, Intermediates 6th; 4x50m freestyle relay – Seniors 5th, Intermediates 6th
- **Bath Cup:** 3rd place
- **John Nalson Relay:** 3rd place
- **World Schools Games Championships:** The U15 team won gold in the 200m freestyle, 100m breaststroke (both long course), 50m breaststroke, 50m freestyle and 50m butterfly (all short course). Harrow was awarded the U15 Championship Trophy.
- **English Nationals:** Villa Kam became English champion in the 100m breaststroke and came 3rd in the 50m breaststroke.
- **British Nationals:** Hero Duran was placed 15th in the 100m and 10th in the 50m breaststroke. In the U16 events, Oliver Finch came 9th in the 100m backstroke and 8th in the 50m backstroke, both lifetime bests.

Our athletes are achieving consistent success at national level across a diverse range of sports. This reflects the culmination of dedicated work to educate and support both beaks and boys, and to create a positive, focused environment. The challenge ahead is to sustain and build upon this progress, ensuring that these high standards are maintained.



Sport at Harrow

Harrow offers an extensive array of sports, ranging from traditional team favourites such as rugby, football and cricket to individual or smaller team pursuits such as athletics, cross-country, badminton, polo, climbing, judo, fives, rackets, swimming, basketball, tennis and squash. In total, boys have the opportunity to engage in 30 different sports, including yoga and strength and conditioning, ensuring they have a diverse and enriching experience.

Our sports programme at Harrow is designed to help every boy achieve his potential in his chosen activity. We accommodate all skill levels, from budding beginners to those with aspirations of professional play. Our measure of success is not based solely on national or international accolades; what matters most is the number of boys who choose to continue to participate in sports after leaving Harrow.

Central to our sporting ethos is an emphasis on character development, underpinned by our values of Courage, Honour, Humility and Fellowship. Through a coaching philosophy rooted in transformational leadership, boys learn essential life skills such as decision-making, confidence-building, resilience and adaptability, which are invaluable in all facets of life.

Harrow boasts exceptional sporting facilities and provides extensive support with four full-time strength and conditioning coaches, a sports medicine specialist and a physiotherapist. Our coaching staff comprises a rugby professional, football professional, cricket professional and experienced teachers, many of whom have notable sporting backgrounds. External coaches with ties to professional clubs further enhance our coaching standards.

Sport scholarships form an integral part of our programme and provide substantial support to boys who demonstrate outstanding sporting potential and who meet the School's academic criteria. Scholarships are available for any sport played competitively by Harrow, and are open to boys entering Year 9 or Year 12. We take pride in offering a world-class education to promising athletes, enriching their experience and fostering a sense of belonging and pride in being a Harrovian. Our primary aim is the holistic development of boys throughout their time at Harrow.

The School has strong links with professional routes to several sports, allowing boys to explore and follow elite sport pathways outside School, often leading to professional contracts.

Over the years, Harrow has nurtured numerous professional sportsmen, including a consistent stream of first-class cricketers, professional footballers and rugby players. Notable recent sporting alumni include England Rugby and British & Irish Lions captain Maro Itoje, England international winger Henry Arundell, Bath hooker Kepu Tuipulotu and Yorkshire first-class cricketer Jafer Chohan.



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