## **NRG Netball Easter Camp**

The England Netball teams amazing success at winning gold in the Commonwealth Games this weekend has set the country alight with a love for this wonderful game. But at Durrington High School there is a long standing passion and commitment to netball, not only for Durrington students but for the community as a whole. Durrington High School hosts the NRG U14/16 South Regional junior Netball training sessions (led by Tina Price and Sarah Briggs and coached by Katie Pearcy and Emilia Jackson) and games giving children the chance to excel in the sport and have fun whilst doing so. The seniors are coached by, Julie House; Head Coach of South Regional Sussex NRG (and also a maths teacher and Deputy Leader of Franklin Company at Durrington High School).



Whilst the England team were fighting their way through the group stages of the Commonwealth Games, Durrington High School was hosting NRG's Junior Easter Netball Camp which was a wonderful success with 75 children from local Worthing schools aged between 7 and 16 getting the opportunity to train and compete in a fun but intense environment. The winners from the tournaments were given medals and skilful players are awarded a brand new netball by winning the 'NRG Hot Shot' competition.

The NRG Easter camp also provided an opportunity for past Durrington High students to return to their old stomping ground and help inspire the next generation. It was particularly exciting to have Shelby Harris in attendance; an ex-Durrington student who has gone on to represent England in the U17s squad (look out for her when England defends their gold medal in 2022!). She was joined by Iona Gardner, Oliver Miller, and Bethen House, all of whom enjoyed many successes when playing netball for Durrington, plus Charlotte Stacey; they continue to play in the Sussex NRG U19's, NRG Tigers and Pumas senior teams and are currently all attending Worthing College.

The netball camps are not for profit and monies raised go towards new equipment, kit and entry costs to tournaments. This ensures that as many children as possible have the opportunity (subs are kept as low as possible) and keeps the clubs focus solely on ensuring that children go beyond their best and have lots of fun whilst doing so.

NRG Summer Camp dates are from Wednesday  $25^{\rm th}$  to Friday  $27^{\rm th}$  July for Years 3-6 and Monday  $30^{\rm th}$  /Tuesday  $31^{\rm st}$  July for years 7-10. Please contact Sarah Briggs to book a place. sarahbriggs1@btinternet.com

