

BAD EDUCATION

EPISODE 503

"FITNESS"

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HBURN (CONF D)

Our pupils are baffling doctors with illnesses usually found in ageing long haul truckers. Last week, young Poppy Hodgson even broke a record — Britain's youngest-ever case of deep vein thrombosis.

INCHEZ leads some cheering —like this is a good thing

HbURN (CONF D)

And **SOMEONE** thought it would be funny to tweet Marcus Rashford about her!

INCHEZ does Rashford's celebration, pointing to his own head

HbURN (CONF D)

And because the government bends over backwards for this footballing busybody - now the Health Minister wants you lot to shape up fast. Talk about an own goal!

Crickets. But Hburn's pleased with this one. She matters:

HbURN (CONF D)

Gotta try stand up. But today is about inspiring you to think fit. So I've brought in a fitness expert to judge this competition - and to get us in shape. With millions of people taking his online classes - he's the kind of record breaker we want around here. It's **Mb Dix**.

MDIX (30s ripped, tight gymgear) runs on. Tons of energy. **STEPHEN** is stunned by this man

MDIX

Mb Dix is in the house!!!! When I say **MD** you say **Dix MD!!**

HBURN

DIX MD DIX

INCHEZ is beside **HARRISON** who's calling out 'Dix' happily.

INCHEZ

Min aint saying that!

HARRISON

Come on, everyone loves **Mb**. He got my num through lockdown

INCHEZ

6 5 INT. ASSEMBLY HALL - DAY

6 5

JINK is on stage with two **GIANT** ears attached to her head

JINK

I call them **ALLY** ears. They allow me to hear whenever my **PCC** community need an ally.

MDIX

I love it... but help me see the fitness angle?

JINK

Oh, I run to their rescue?

6 6 INT. ASSEMBLY HALL - DAY

6 6

FRASER addresses an increasingly traumatised crowd of kids.

FRASER

When you're young you think you'll live forever. But trust me, one day very soon everyone in this room is going to be dead. My solution?

He indicates an empty fridge-freezer on the stage.

FRASER (CONT'D)

Cryo Sleep. Sorry about the smell, it was full of uneaten Coronation Quiche. Let me demonstrate.

He gets into the freezer. The door shuts. A beat. Muffled

FRASER (O.S.) (CONT'D)

Ah. Can't open it from the inside.

HBURN

Next!

6 7 INT. ASSEMBLY HALL - DAY

6 7

USMA is on stage with a whirring mechanical arm. NB **FRASER** is still locked in the freezer, which is still on stage.

USMA

The **BYE GURL 3000**. This mechanical arm can shoo away my haters and bad vibe conversations, so I stay blessed and not stressed, get me?

HBURN

No, I don't 'get you'.

MDIX

**Well, I do Stress can be really
bad for your health Right,
Stephen? Stephen?**

**As MD turns around to address STEPHEN we go into slow
motion STEPHENs seeing love hearts around Dix..**

INT. CHURCH/CHAPEL - DAY

MDIX

As a prize, you'll get my personal
fitness watch, 'THE DIX BIT!'

MD starts throwing watches out to the excited students

MDIX (CONF D)

YOU GET A DIX YOU GET A DIX

INCHEZ

BOMBASTIC SIDE EYE!!

MDIX

The Dix Bit is your wearable gym
buddy, helping you make better,
healthier choices. It counts your
steps, heart rate, calories, and
sleep, turning all that biontric
goodness into a score! That score
appears on these leader boards - so
we'll be able to see who's the
healthiest student in Abbey Grove!

JiNK

Um M, how can everyone be a
winner if there's a leader board?

MDIX

Hhaha, it's just a bit of healthy
competition! With the Dix Bit, I
can make you think like winners!

MD does a full body flex of his muscles.

6 11 INC. ASSEMBLY HALL - DAY

6 11

Kids are filing out of assembly fiddling with their **DIXBITS**.

Just then, **MITCHELL** stumbles in, stuffing a Rustlers burger
into his mouth, wearing a badly made beer cap on his head

HBURN

Good of you to join us, M Hirper.
What's your excuse for this latest
shambles? I heard it was Danny
Dyer's birthday...

MITCHELL mouths **SNAKE** at **STEPHEN**

6 12 EXT. PLAYGROUND - DAY

6 12

USMA frowns at Paval and Edna installing the leader board
BLESSING hands a bag of sweets and her Dix Bit to a **YEAR 7**.

INCHEZ

Why you giving them year 7 trolls
 freebies? They deserve nothing!

BLESSING

Their sweets have so many e-numbers,
 my nan won't stop running! He's
 gonna shoot me up the leaderboard

HARRISON and **JINK** are doing star jumps. Their Dix Bits play
 their pre-recorded messages from **MO**: Go on! Keep at it! etc.

DIXBIT

Get moving Usma. Do more, be more.

USMA

Bruv, I ain't about to sweat off
 these Fenty eyebrows for nobody.

JINK

Remember, Usma, the eyebrows are
 not what maketh the woman

USMA

But it is what maketh a bad bitch!

An alarm goes off on **WARREN**'s Dix Bit. **MO**'s voice:

DIXBIT

Warning! Sugar levels critical!

WARREN

This thing monitors my blood? That
 makes me feel uncomfortable.

HARRISON

Course you're uncomfortable, mate.
 You just ate a whole pack of After
 Eight.

WARREN

What's wrong with a postprandial
 mint fondant? My Grandad always
 said, they're a God tier sweet.

INCHEZ

And how's your granddad doing?

WARREN

Not great, he's actually up in the
 God tier. Maybe my DixBit is right?

HARRISON crosses himself: **RIP**. **WARREN** looks very concerned

MDIX

M Hburn I've set my fair share of records, but getting this school in shape is my biggest challenge yet.

HBURN

Will in exchange for a discount, you can sell as much of the children's data as you like...to?

MDIX

Perhaps you don't want to know

HBURN

Then it's a win for everyone except for Harper. If the first few months go well, I'll be able to replace him with a couple of televisions.

MDIX

Well, I'll leave you with a parting gift and it's not my triple decker, vanilla and cacao bar.

(baby voice)

Me no share y those! Enjoy!!

MD passes **HBURN** a **Dix Bit** and bounds out cheerfully.

HBURN puts the **Dix Bit** on. The **Dix Bit** powers up. Then flatlines. **MD**'s disembodied voice, extra robotic:

DIX BIT

No pulse detected. No pulse detected. Signals critical.

HBURN frowns. From the POV of the **Dix Bit**, she looms over us. A skull and crossbones flashing on the **Dix Bit** screen.

HBURN

Oh my God, I'm clinically dead! Telephone, what do I do if I'm dying?

Telephone

Here's what I found. When you are dying, why not create a bucket list to do everything you always dreamed of doing while you have the chance.

HBURN

And to think I was about to call an ambulance! Telephone, write this down. Bucket list. Number 1. Try stand up comedy. 2. Set a World Record. 3. Sleep with Bear Grylls, send him absolutely ruin him.

6 14 EXT. WALKWAY - DAY

6 14

STEPHEN lurks behind a pillar. As MD approaches, STEPHEN throws himself a rugby ball - so that he comes into MD's vision apparently mid game.

MD DIX

Wah, nice catch there!

STEPHEN

Oh, you know. Always active. In fact, I've been overdoing the...
(blanks on 'rugby')
Sport that this ball belongs to
I'm starting to feel a strain

MD DIX

Oh no. Which muscle group?

STEPHEN

It's slightly embarrassing. Starts with a G and rhymes with flute.

MD DIX

Well I wish I could help but I'm offski. Daddy gotta feed the twins.

MD kisses both his biceps. STEPHEN fake laughs too hard

STEPHEN

But you can't go The Dix Bit...
The revolution has only just begun!

MD DIX

Between you and me, I can't be seen working closely with someone like Mr Harper. Very bad - e y e li

STEPHEN

Oh we're gonna **VERK** together! Time to take a day off, Harper!

6 15 **OMTIED**

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6 16 **INE LOBBY - DAY**

6 16

MITCHELL is very hungover, swigging a Coke, staring at his phone and wincing at loud noises. Stephen runs up to him

MITCHELL

Not interested! I feel as rough as a badger's arsehole and thanks to you, I got Hburn giving me grief.

STEPHEN

Awwbabe, you need to look after yourself. Let me book you an Uber home.

MITCHELL

Nah, I heard the Energiser Bunny's

INC. STEPHEN'S CLASSROOM- DAY

BLESSING

Nah, she's trying to show you how
much she appreciates you

(to FRASER)

O Fraser, M Harper's got a plus
one on the trip of a lifetime!

FRASER s passing with a trolley, trying to distribute salad

FRASER

No can do! M's given me a pep talk
- and now I'm putting the 'lad in
'salad. Life is short, I've got to
be the change.

INCHIZ

But it's a celebrity beer hike!

FRASER

Celebs? Come on, Mitchell! These
kids aren't bloody rabbits!

MITCHELL

**Me - this is literally my dream
come true. Hibernia knows no better
than I know myself!**

MITCHELL and FRASER hop on the bike. MITCHELL spots PGH

MITCHELL (CONT'D)

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MO DIX (CONF D)

Let's start with a selfie! Don't forget to tag me on your socials!

As MO takes a cheesy selfie with the class, STEPHEN thirsts from the balcony through opera glasses. But MO spots him

MO DIX (CONF D)

Hi Stephen.. Don't you have a lesson to teach..? Stephen?

STEPHEN ducks behind the balcony and crawls out embarrassed

6 22

INT. GYM- DAY

6 22

Close up on STEPHEN's eyes watching MO teaching basketball. When we cut out to MO we see there's a heap of basketballs in one corner of the gym

USM clumsily takes a basketball from the pile. They all fall down Bouncing away to reveal STEPHEN sitting on the floor, disguised in a homemade 'basketball hat'.

MO's jaw drops. Inchez's basketball flies through the air, hitting him in the head, sending him flying out of shot.

Stephen jumps up MO has hit the floor painfully.

MO DIX

Argh! My back!

STEPHEN

Oh my God! Come with me.

STEPHEN kneels by MO who wozily takes in STEPHEN's outfit.

MO DIX

Why are you dressed like that?

STEPHEN

Like what? Shh, you're concussed

Stephen hurries MO out of the gym

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COLONEL SANDERS

If you don't stop, I will throw myself off this bike head first.

FRASER

D11?

MITCHELL

So Becks. The 2004 Euros. Explain that penalty kick?

DAMD

I fucked it mate.

MITCHELL

That's an understatement. My dad lost an accumulator, had to sell all his gold fillings.

The audience snigger. INCHEZ gets a few high fives from kids.

HBURN

Well, to whoever just shouted that
out... comedy is subjective.

BLESSING

Subjectively, you're not funny.

HBURN

Well the joke's on you, because you
clearly don't know the meaning of
subjectively. Taxi for one!

DIXIE

You're dying Bernadette.

HBURN

Forget this, I've been Miss Hburn
and I'll see you all in detention
Hope that's funny enough for you

Angrily, HBURN drops the mic. Opens her bucket list and
starts savagely crossing things off it.

HBURN (CONF D)

Comedy. No World record No Swim
with jellyfish No

With each 'no', she crosses out another option on her list.
We contra zoom into HBURN's close up as the rage swells.

HBURN (CONF D)

Weak my hideous revenge. Now I
have become death, destroyer of
worlds.

She addresses Claso CH

6 30 EXT. CUL-DE-SAC - DAY

6 30

MITCHELL, FRASER, PCSI, DAVID BECKHAM and COLONEL SANDERS are still pedalling around the cul-de-sac. COLONEL SANDERS is drinking the pain away.

FRASER

David, Victoria, where did Brooklyn get the cooking gene? I watched him making toast on Instagram. The kid's a natural.

MITCHELL

For God's sake, Becks, we missed the exit again. You got us going round and round this cul-de-sac.

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DAVID BECKHAM looks awkward and doesn't reply.

MITCHELL (CONT'D)

Oh what's going on? Don't lie to your gaffer! I'll go full Sir Alex.

DAVID

Not the hairdryer treatment!

COLONEL SANDERS

Our client, Stephanie Fierce...

MITCHELL

AKA Stephen Carmichael!

COLONEL SANDERS

She said to keep you away from the school for as long as possible.

And POSH remaining stoney faced Black out.

6 31 INT. BOYS BATHROOM - DAY

6 31

A cubicle is occupied in the bathroom Silence. Then a plop
MS's tiny, annoying voice rings out from the Dix Bit worn by
whoever is inside the cubicle..

DIX BIT

Splashdown! Well done, that was a
really healthy, big glossy one!

INCHEZ bursts out of the cubicle, goggling at his Dix Bit.

INCHEZ

WHAT?!

DIX BIT

Like an otter down a riverbank
Keep eating your fibre, bud!

Cut from the Dix Bit's POV - of INCHEZ's horrified face,
overlaid with a poo emoji - to..

6 32 EXT. PLAYGROUND - DAY

6 32 *

INCHEZ looks up from his Dix Bit, still horrified! He's found
Class K and is halfway through telling them about this.

BLESSING AND USMA

WHAT?!

JINK

It's true, mine's been talking to
me all day... The liquid diet has
made everything liquid

Class K react: yuck STEPHEN appears scrubbed and showered

HARRISON

Where have you been, sir?!

STEPHEN

Exfoliating Hburn's comady made
my skin crawl

BLESSING

Half Price Hercules is spying on us
in the toilet! He needs to go NOW

STEPHEN

Yeah.. I just don't see that on my
mood board. Because if that doesn't
give me the Ick, then nothing will.

And speak of the devil - HEURN appears. Furious.

HEURN

**HARPER HARPER? Carnichael, did you
or did you not hear me give Harper
his final warning loud and clear?**

All of Class K stare at STEPHEN This is new information

STEPHEN

I...er...yeah, I did

HEURN

**And now he bunks off?! I've wasted
the best years of my life on idiots
like him Well, I'm going to make
him pay for it!**

JINK

But he's nowhere near a pub

Class K gasp This is really serious.

USMA

Inchez, Warren, find M Harper.

(to the rest of Class K)

You guys, we gotta distract M
Hburn til they come back

HARRISON

Hw are we gonna do that?

She produces HEBURN's bucket list, which she found earlier.

USMA

I found her bucket list. But we're
gonna need our inventions.

Reveal Jink already wearing her Ally Ears, leaning into Usma

JINK

I hear you

STEPHEN

Great! Teamwork Love it. And I'll
keep an eye on M

WARREN

Hw is that going to help?

STEPHEN

... Dn't question me!

They all roll their eyes at STEPHEN then everyone runs off.

6 33 EXT. CUL DE SAC - DAY

6 33

MITCHELL, FRASER and **COLONEL SANDERS** are trapped under the
bike. **MITCHELL** spots **DAVID BECKHAM** and **POSH** running away.

MITCHELL

David! Dn't run away! You're not
better than me!! Oh God, how could
he ditch us? I had his name on all
my knock off England shirts.

FRASER

Mf arms trapped under the bike!

MITCHELL

OK mate, try not to move it so you
dn't damage it further.

COLONEL SANDERS

Or you could cut it off?

FRASER

Genius. Like in the film 127 Hurs.

MITCHELL

It's not even been 127 seconds!

FRASER

(to COLONEL SANDERS)

Posh SPICE! The joke was staring me
in the face!! Was POSH one of the
secret herbs and SPICES?

COLONEL SANDERS

I'm cutting my own arm off.

MITCHELL

You're not trapped! HELP!

6 34 INE SCHOOL GYM- DAY

6 34

USM and **BLESSING** uses the **BYE GURL** to wedge the door shut. *
Jink's Ally ears can hear **HBURN** approach **HARRISON** covers. *

The door bangs - then the **BYE GURL** snaps. **HBURN** bursts in *
with a wild glint in her eye.

USM

Miss... I hope you don't think I've
been a mist you or nothing but I
accidentally read your bucket list.

HBURN

You lost me at mist you.

USM produces the pages of **HBURN's** bucket list.

USM

Number one on the list. Stand up *

JINK

Smashed it. Hilarious. *

HBURN

I appreciate that. You see, it's a *
bit of a bore but in your lingo
I'm a 'dead ting'.

USM

No you're not, miss. With that top
lip - and I bet there's a man out
there who'll wanna smash

HBURN

I mean literally dead!

HARRISON

Wah *

HURN

**And now there's only thing I can
hope to be remembered for.**

(MRE)

HBURN (CONI' D)

**Shipping off that foreign exchange
student on the first flight to
Rwanda.**

BLESSING

Well, if you really are dying then

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INCHEZ

**Mr Carmichael ain't gonna be happy
about this, sir. I think he was**

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STEPHEN

Thank you Mitchell... The thing
is, I didn't even get his number...

MITCHELL

Alright, go! Go get him

STEPHEN mums a THANK YOU as he runs out of the hall.

6 37

EXT. WALKWAY - DAY

6 37 *

Dix is leaving school when **STEPHEN** speed walks after him

STEPHEN

Mr Slowdown Oly Bitches with no
ass walk fast, and that ain't na.

Dix stops and turns to look at **STEPHEN**

STEPHEN (CONF D)

Wwit's giving romcommant!

MDIX

It's a shame it didn't work out,
Stephen I did really fancy you