

Dear Parents and carers,

Autumn Term Sports Newsletter 2

Since the last sports newsletter we have been extremely busy in school with many different sporting opportunities and have also arranged sporting fixtures with our neighbouring schools. Contacts for out of school clubs in the community are displayed on the noticeboard outside the front gates of the school. We are currently looking for a local business to sponsor a new playing kit for the school as we have so many fixtures planned in the year. If this is something you could help with, or know anyone who may be able to help please contact the school office.

Key Sports Dates

November	
Thursday 2 nd 2017	Yr 5/6 Football V Avishayes: 3:30pm – 5:00pm @ Avishayes
Tuesday 7 th 2017	Yr 3/4/5/6 Cross Country: 2:00pm -3:30pm @ Holyrood
Thursday 9 th 2017	Yr 5/6 Football V Avishayes: 3:15pm – 5:00pm @ Manor Court
Tuesday 14 th 2017	Yr 5/6 Football V Combe: 3:15pm – 5:00pm @ Manor Court
Thursday 16 th 2017	Yr 5/6 'Can Do' Festival: 1:00pm – 4:00pm @ Bucklers Mead School
Tuesday 21 st 2017	Yr 5/6 Mixed Futsal: 2:00pm-4:00pm @ Holyrood
December	
Tuesday 5 th 2017	Yr 5/6 Mixed Hockey: 2:00pm-4:00pm @ Holyrood
Monday 11 th 2017	Yr 5 Interhouse Hockey Competition
Monday 11 th 2017	Foundation Multiskills Festival
Tuesday 12 th 2017	Yr 4 Interhouse Hockey Competition
Tuesday 12 th 2017	Yr 1 Multiskills Festival
Wednesday 13 th 2017	Yr 3 Interhouse Hockey Competition
Thursday 14 th 2017	Yr 2 Multiskills Festival

Inter-house games

We are planning to host our first inter-house games for our Yr 3 – Yr 5 children during their PE lessons this term. The competition we have chosen to start with is hockey. Over the next half term children will be informed as to what Interhouse is and what 'house' they will be allocated, so be sure to ask them!

Sainsburys Vouchers

Last year we collected many vouchers which has enabled us to obtain a 'New Age Golf Set' for the children to use during PE lessons. If you collect any more vouchers please bring them into school and hand to either class teachers or the office so we can count them up and get some more new equipment this year.

Inter School Competition

As a cluster of Chard schools I am pleased to announce we have set up a Yr 5/6 Chard & District Schools League between six of the local schools in the area. We start with two fixtures against Avishayes and one against Combe. We are also planning on arranging a Yr 3/4 cup competition and are looking to get this underway when we return to school in January. The long term plan is to create leagues for various sports and year groups to provide many opportunities for the children in our community. It has, however, been a very busy half-term with many sporting fixtures already taking place:-



Yr 5/6 Boys on Tuesday 19th September @ Holyrood – This was our first competition on the school calendar and the boys did well. Out of the seven schools that competed we finished 4th Overall, with our star player award going to Jaydon in Yr 6 for playing in several positions whilst having a constant smile and positive attitude.



Yr 5/6 Girls on Tuesday 26th September @ Holyrood – A big thank you to Mrs Trott to make this activity possible. Unfortunately, we only had six schools enter this competition and the girls had a great start winning their first game against Redstart. The girls finished 5th in the competition and our Star Player Award went to Rianna in Yr 5 for showing good resilience, which was an example all the girls followed.



Yr 3/4 Boys & Girls on Tuesday 3rd October @ Holyrood – For some of our children this was their first taste of competitive football and they excelled themselves in the competition. We ended up in 5th place out of the nine schools that entered. The star player for the day was Oliver in Yr 4 as he showed some great skills and confidence when on the ball.

Can You Help?

Any help parents would like to give regarding fixtures would be greatly appreciated. In most cases this can help ease behind the scenes arrangements such as transporting, officiating and running of the fixtures. All support for the children whilst playing is also as beneficial, so it would be nice to see as many relatives as possible supporting the children of our school, it really does make a difference!

Festivals

For our KS1 children our first in-house 'festival' will run during a normal PE lesson on the dates above. I plan for it to be led by our Yr 5&6 children. The festival shall be themed around the topic we are looking at in PE, which is Multiskills.

PE Cup

Two classes won our 'PE Cup' last half term, one from Key Stage 1 and the other in Key Stage 2 with the cup being awarded during assembly. The KS1 winners were Squirrels class scoring 130 points and the KS2 winners were Badgers scoring 96 points. Both classes have the new PE cup on display in their classrooms. Ella collected the cup for Squirrels and Shelby for Badgers.

Curriculum PE

We are continuing with Multi-skills lessons for the rest of the term. In Key Stage 1, children will be learning many skills that are transferable throughout most 'traditional' games as well as co-ordination, agility and balance. Key Stage 2 will be applying these skills to many different sports that fall in the Multi-skills category, such as football, netball, basketball, tag rugby and hockey.

I hope that you have found this newsletter informative and worthwhile. If you would like to offer support or ideas to help us move forward as a school then please contact the office.

Thank you for your continued support,



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