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Dear Parents and carers,

Spring Term Sports Newsletter

Since the last sports newsletter we have been extremely busy in school offering many different sporting opportunities and have continued arranging sporting fixtures with other schools, some of which we are waiting to confirm.

Key Sports Dates

January	
Monday 15 th 2018	Fitter Futures launched for whole school Yr 5 Hockey with Chard Hockey Club
Tuesday 16 th 2018	Yr 3/4/5/6 Cross Country: 2:00pm -3:30pm @ Holyrood
Friday 19 th 2018	Yr 6 Hockey with Chard Hockey Club
Monday 22 nd 2018	Yr 5 Hockey with Chard Hockey Club
Wednesday 24 th 2018	Yr 2&5 Healthy Futures workshop with SASP
Monday 29 th 2018	Yr 5 Hockey with Chard Hockey Club
Tuesday 30 th 2018	Yr 3/4 Tag Rugby: 11:00am – 3:00pm @ Chard Rugby Club
Wednesday 31 st 2018	Yr 2&5 Healthy Futures workshop with SASP
February	
Friday 2 nd 2018	Yr 6 Hockey with Chard Hockey Club
Monday 5 th 2018	Yr 5 Interhouse Dodgeball Competition
Tuesday 6 th 2018	KS2 Bikeability Course 1 – Day 1 Yr 4 Inter-house Dodgeball Competition Yr 5/6 Indoor Cricket: 1:00pm – 4:00pm @ Holyrood
Wednesday 7 th 2018	KS2 Bikeability Course 1 – Day 2 Yr 3 Interhouse Dodgeball Competition Yr 2&5 Healthy Futures workshop with SASP
Thursday 8 th 2018	KS2 Bikeability Course 2 – Day 1
Friday 9 th 2018	KS2 Bikeability Course 2 – Day 2 Yr 6 Hockey with Chard Hockey Club

Inter-house Games

All children in Year 3-5 competed in our first inter-house games during their PE lessons this term. The sport chosen was Hockey and it was really nice to see all the children enjoying themselves in friendly competition. The current points scored for each house are:

BRADLEY WIGGINS 43 pts	STEVE REDGRAVE 65 pts
SARAH STOREY 62 pts	KELLY HOLMES 36pts

Inter School Competition

We have been competing in lots of sporting activities over the last half term:-

Yr 5/6 Boys Football V Avishayes on Thursday 2nd November @ Avishayes – This was a real test for our footballers against the area champions in September. We came out on the wrong end of a 7-3 score line after going 2-1 up! The star player went to Leon in Yr 6.

Yr 3-6 X-Country on Tuesday 7th November @ Holyrood – A big thankyou to Mrs Davies and her running club for being great ambassadors for the school at this event. We managed to take 20 children to this event, with a notable performance for Tom in Yr 5, finishing 11th in the Yr 5/6 Boys category.

Yr 5/6 Boys Football V Avishayes on Thursday 9th November @ Manor Court – We played a completely different Avishayes team on this occasion and managed to get some revenge for the



result the week before, winning the game with a thumping 15-0! The star player went to Sam in Yr 5 for what I can only describe as one of the best strikes I've seen in primary school football!

Yr 5/6 Boys Football V Combe on Tuesday 14th November @ Manor Court – In our final game before the winter break in the league we managed to secure a 4-3 win in what was a very tough game for our children. Both teams had many chances at crucial times and the game could have gone either way. The star player was Gavin in Yr 6 for his superb hat-trick!

Yr 5/6 'Can Do' Festival on Thursday 16th November @ Bucklers Mead – We took a mixture of boys and girls to the festival where our spirited performances resulted in us being knocked out of the competition in the semi-final of the plate. Star player for the day was Caitlin in Yr 6!

Yr 5/6 Hockey on Tuesday 5th December @ Holyrood – For some of our pupils this was their first taste of structured competitive Hockey fixtures. We had lots of close games throughout the competition and the children all enjoyed themselves. The star player was given to Megan in Yr 6.

The Yr 3/4 competition scheduled to take place during this term has been delayed until all fixtures in the Yr 5/6 league have been fulfilled. We have two more games remaining for our Yr 5/6 team and currently sit at the top of the table, putting us in a good position to qualify for the play-off to win the cup.

Leadership opportunities

All children in our year 5 and 6 classes have been given the opportunity to become a play leader. Children have gone through a rigorous application process and it's been great to see how many children have applied. The selected group of children will be invited to join a Leadership club this term. This will allow the children to be equipped to plan, lead and officiate playground games and mini sports festivals for children within the school.

Bikeability

We have been lucky enough as a school to secure two bikeability courses which in the first instance are going to be offered to our Year 5 children. Further information will follow on a separate letter.

Fitter Futures

In light of the 'active 30' initiative being released by the government, as a school we have decided to use 'Fitter Futures' to try and make being active easy for all children. The package has a series of 10 minute workout videos accessible for all ages. Each child will be given an individual log in enabling them to access these workouts from home. The software included allows the activity level to be monitored and tracked, hopefully showing progression. The workouts are adult friendly too, so feel free to join in with your child!

Premiership Primary Stars with Yeovil Town FC

Yeovil Town FC are going to be working with our Year 4 & 5 pupils this term under the new Premiership Stars framework. It is a two year project where the football club will deliver a variety of subjects across a mixture of age groups. This is an exciting opportunity that is going to benefit and impact all of our pupils within the next two years.

Chard Hockey Club

We have been lucky to obtain the services of Andy Swain from Chard Hockey club to give some of our older children a feel for the game. During these sessions wooden sticks and hard balls will be used so please make every effort for your children to bring shin pads into school for the days their year group are taking part in the sessions. If you would like further information on how to join the hockey club, details are on the noticeboard outside the front of the school reception.



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 Bumblebees class scoring 69 points and the KS2 winners were Kingfishers scoring 108 points. Both classes have the new PE cup on display in their classrooms. Reece collected the cup for Bumblebees and Kit for Kingfishers.

Curriculum PE

We are going to be looking at some Gymnastics in the next half term, in both Key stage 1 & 2. Children will still need to ensure **ALL** of their PE kit is in school at all times and should include warm clothing as we will not always be able to do PE in the school hall.

I hope that you have found this newsletter informative and worthwhile and I hope that we can continue to strive towards more success and many active opportunities for the remainder of the academic year.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr L Jackson
PE Coach