

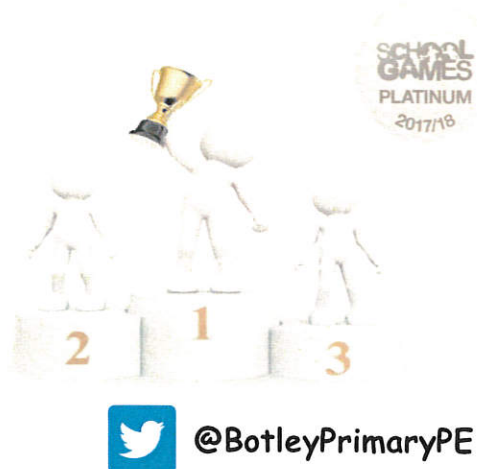
PE NEWSLETTER

SPRING EDITION

Newsletter 24

4th April 2019

Dear parents,



The end of the Spring term brings to close an incredibly busy time of sport at Botley Primary School. Throughout this time, we have participated in 16 events/fixtures. Our Level 2 competition participation figures have continued to grow this year as sporting popularity and club uptake have enabled us to offer opportunities for multiple squads to attend events. As a summer of sport beckons, we look forward to building upon the efforts and enthusiasm shown by our young sports men and women and bringing the year to a close in fitting fashion.

SPORT DEVELOPMENT

SPRING TERM HAPPENINGS ...



Sports Clubs

Since September, various extra-curricular sports clubs have been on offer to children in Key Stage 2. The lunchtime clubs, open to all and free of charge, have been a massive success both in terms of participation and preparation for competition. Please note below the new clubs on offer next half term. If your child is interested in one of the clubs, please have them speak to me.

Club	Day	Location	Minimum requirements
Year 5/6 QuadKids Athletics	Monday	Field	School kit, suitable footwear
Year 5/6 Cricket	Tuesday	Field	School kit, suitable footwear
Key Stage 2 Tri Golf	Thursday	Field	School kit, suitable footwear
Year 3/4 Mini Tennis Red	Friday	Playground	School kit, suitable footwear

Please note - clubs function in line with upcoming competitions, these may be subject to change throughout the summer term.



SCT

The Spring terms saw the re-introduction of Wildern's Senior Choreographic Team (SCT) dance project, a project that runs weekly with Key Stage 1 to develop a dance which they will perform during the Summer Showcase at the Berry Theatre in July. The club has been running successfully for a number of weeks now and the dance is slowly starting to take shape.

Chance 2 Shine

With the winter weather ebbing away, we once again engaged with Hampshire Cricket and invited the Chance 2 Shine project back into our school for classes in Key Stage 1. Richard Preskey from Hampshire Cricket/Chance 2 Shine visited us weekly throughout the first Spring term and gave the children a fantastic insight into cricket, many of whom have now expressed an interest in the AllStars programme operating nationally by the ECB.



Eastleigh Sports Awards

Following an amazingly successful year, Botley C of E Primary was shortlisted by the Eastleigh Sports Award Association for Primary School of the year. Mr Cooil and Mr Rowles were invited to attend the awards ceremony on Monday 11th February. Unfortunately, we did not walk away with the trophy on this occasion but can feel proud to have been shortlisted in such a strong category and receive recognition for all the amazing work put in at our school by both children and staff alike.



PE passport

As part of our ongoing quest to develop sport and PE at our school, we have invested in PE passport - an online planning, assessment and tracking tool designed for Primary Schools to deliver, monitor and assess high quality PE. Whilst only just getting to grips with the software, the app is already proving hugely successful and enabling us to narrow our focus onto areas for development.

Fixtures and Events



Year 5/6 Swim Gala

Thursday 10th January saw us jump straight into the 2019 competition schedule by competing in the partnership swim gala at Wildern. Competing with a squad of 8, our children were incredible and swam beautifully. Unfortunately, victory was not to be ours but our efforts earned us a runners up spot, with 2 partnership records falling in the process - Yves breaking her own record for 25m Breaststroke and Izzy destroying the 50m Breaststroke time by almost 6 seconds.

Year 5/6 Basketball - 'A' team

Tuesday 15th January saw the 'A' team Basketball event at Wildern. With 9 * Year 5/6 children in attendance, we played some fantastic basketball and cruised through to the finals with ease. Having faced Fair Oak in a fierce encounter, the game went to sudden death. After an eternity of game play, we scored the all-important basket and claimed the partnership title. Our children were amazing throughout and left in the knowledge that they had given their all and reserved their place in the Hampshire Games in June.



Year 5/6 Basketball - B/C team

Tuesday 22nd January was the date for the partnership B and C team Basketball event at Wildern. With 17 children in attendance, our 2 teams of 9 played superbly. Despite not scoring a basket, the children competed in fantastic spirit and developed greatly throughout.



Year 5/6 - Hockey B/C team

On Tuesday 5th February, we took 2 squads to Hamble to compete in the partnership emerging teams hockey event. Our children relished the opportunity to represent the school and a combination of wins, draws and losses followed. Our B team made it through to the final, where they were unfortunately defeated 1 - 0 by Freegrounds.



Year 5/6 - Girls' Football

Thursday 28th February saw our Girls' Football team take to action at the cluster tournament at Berrywood. 2 losses, a draw and a win saw us placed mid table, with much taken from the improvements shown when compared to our first event earlier in the year.



District Cross Country

Thursday 7th March saw 2 x Year 5 pupils attend the District Cross Country Finals in Basingstoke. Having qualified previously at the partnership event in Hamble, Lewis and Rowan made the long journey and competed superbly - posting a 58th and 66th place finish in very wind and muddy conditions.



Year 2 Hockey

Thursday 7th March also saw a Year 2 Hockey event at Wyvern. With 2 teams of 6 entered, our children played superbly - transferring skills learnt in lessons and applying them to games. Having won all their games, our 'A' team were crowned champions and despite the bitterly cold winds, the event was enjoyed by all with many now expressing interest in pursuing this outside of school.

Year 5/6 Boys' Football

Our third event on Thursday 7th March featured our Boys' football team, as they took to Berrywood's field for the cluster football competition. Some superb performances saw us win every game and walk away Cluster champions; with qualification to the partnership finals later in the month.



Year 5/6 Netball

Tuesday 19th March was the rescheduled date for the cluster netball competition. Having hosted weekly sessions since October, our 'A' team squad went to work - growing in confidence with each game. Following 3 victories from 3 matches, we won the event and also qualified for the partnership finals at the end of this term.

Year 3/4 AquaSplash

On Friday 22nd March, 12 children from Year 3/4 travelled to Bishops Waltham for the partnership swim gala. Following a hard fought event, we finished 3rd in the overall standings.



Year 5/6 Boys' Partnership Finals

Tuesday 26th March saw the eagerly awaited partnership football finals at Berrywood. Some solid performances saw us leave unbeaten and joint winners with Fair Oak A. Having worked tirelessly over the past months, the boys thoroughly deserve this accolade.



Gregg Cross Country

Wednesday 27th March saw 15 children from Key Stage 2 travel to the Gregg School for our last Cross Country event of the year. Our runners were superb throughout and demonstrated passion and determination to complete the tough course. Our Year 4 Boys' team finished 1st overall with our Year 4 Girls coming 2nd and our Year 5 Boys 3rd.

Year 5/6 'A' team Hockey

Thursday 28th March saw our third event of the week and the rescheduled date for the 'A' team partnership Hockey at Hamble. 8 children from Year 5/6 attended and gave their all amongst strong opposition and demonstrated superb skill and team play. We finished 3rd in a field of 7 schools, having won 4 games and drawn 2.



Fair Oak relays

Tuesday 2nd April saw a small group of Year 5/6 athletes compete in the annual Fair Oak relays. Amongst a strong field, our runners gave it their all to complete the 0.9k relay distance. Our teams finished 14th and 19th in respective fields of over 30.

Year 1/2 Cricket Master Class

Tuesday 2nd April also saw 10 children in Key Stage 1 visit the Ageas Bowl for a morning of cricket provided by Hampshire. Throwing, catching, batting and bowling were all on the agenda. Our children were superb and received glowing feedback from the Hampshire coaches.



Year 5/6 Netball finals

Tuesday 2nd April saw our final event of the Spring term as our netball team competed in the Partnership finals. Some tough games pushed our team and they responded in fantastic fashion - winning 5 and drawing 2 of their 7 games, enough to see them claim the Partnership title and progress to the Hampshire Games in June.

House Sports

The House Sports programme has continued to run, with great success, throughout the Spring terms. With Netball and Quicksticks having been played, 161 children have now represented their House in at least one sport.





The league standings are as follows:

1 st place	Earth	58 points
2 nd place	Water	36 points
3 rd place	Air	32 points
4 th place	Fire	25 points

SUMMER TERM SCHEDULE

House Sports

Summer term 1 - Basketball

Summer term 2 - Cricket

Fixtures and Events

April

Tuesday 30th April 2019 - Year 5/6 Tag Rugby event (A/B team)

May

Tuesday 7th May 2019 - Year 3/4 Tri Golf competition

Tuesday 14th May 2019 - Year 5/6 Tri-Golf competition

Thursday 16th May 2019 - Year 3/4 Tag Rugby event (A/B team)

Tuesday 21st May 2019 - Year 5/6 QuadKids Athletics

Thursday 23rd May 2019 - Year 5/6 Tag Rugby event (C/D team)

June

Tuesday 4th June 2019 - Year 5/6 Boys' Cricket competition

Thursday 6th June 2019 - Year 2 Tennis event at Bishops Waltham

Friday 7th June 2019 - Pro Kick event

Tuesday 11th June 2019 - Year 5/6 Girls' Cricket competition

Tuesday 18th June 2019 - Key Stage 1 Cross Country at Botley Rec

Wednesday 19th June 2019 - Infant School Sports Day (EYFS and Key Stage 1)

Thursday 20th June 2019 - Hampshire Games

Friday 21st June 2019 - Reserve Infant School Sports Day (EYFS and Key Stage 1)

Monday 24th June 2019 - Start of National School Sport Week

Tuesday 25th June 2019 - Junior School Sports Day (Key Stage 2)
- Year 3/4 Handball festival

Friday 28th June 2019 - Reserve Junior School Sports Day (Key Stage 2)

July

Tuesday 2nd July 2019 - Year 3/4 Cricket competition

Tuesday 9th July 2019 - Change for Life festival

Friday 19th July 2019 - T20 Blast event at Ageas Bowl (Hampshire vs. Sussex Sharks)

Monday 22nd July 2019 - School Sports Presentation

The Summer term is set to be another busy one from a sporting point of view. With various events scheduled and the always-epic sports days to come, the next few months will certainly be entertaining!

Yours sincerely,

Andy Rowles (Sports Activity Coach)

Heavenly Father,

We pray that you keep your hand over our children during their sporting activities. Shield them from injury and support them throughout their development. Their abilities are a blessing from you, God. We pray that they play fair and strong, and remember to thank you when victory is theirs.

- Amen

