

St Wilfrid's CE Primary School

PE & Sports Autumn Report

This term we have once again enjoyed a great range of sporting opportunities and success.

To add to our Sainsbury's School Games Platinum Award from last year; we were delighted and privileged to be nominated and shortlisted for the Active Sussex Active Primary School of the year award. Although not one of the three finalists, this was still an incredible achievement and recognised the hard work that has taken part in school.



The Sports Crew have again been out at playtimes in full force running a range of events for children to take part in. They have also been running a weekly challenge in a range of different sports. This gives children the opportunity to try and beat their score at something and improve in a short space of time.

As well as on the playground, all children have been taking part in personal challenges in their PE lessons. Based again round a range of sporting activities, children have had the opportunity each week to improve their scores.

We have held two intra-house competitions this term. The first saw all children take part in a Boccia tournament. This was a great opportunity for the children to take part in a sport they may never have experienced before. More recently, Key Stage Two children took part in our annual cross-country event. In an unusually dry year, it was great to see all the children trying so hard to finish as high as they could. Out of school, we have again had many successes when competing against other schools.

Our year three boy's football team kicked off the year by winning all their friendly games in a festival held at St. Paul's.

Three year four children finished in the top ten of the year 3/4 Haywards Heath Cross Country event. Evie narrowly missed out on top spot as she came a close second in the girls race.

The Year 5/6 boy's football team were semi-finalists in the Haywards Heath tournament for the third year in a row.

In December we once again tasted cross country success as six year 5/6 children qualified for the Mid Sussex squad. All the children finished in the top 25 in their races with Siobhan finishing third in the girls race. This helped the girls to an incredible second place finish. They missed out on first place by just five points.

Finally, the year 5/6 girl's football team have gone from strength to strength and tasted endless amounts of success. They have won the Haywards Heath, Area and County finals meaning they will now be the Sussex representative at the Regional finals in the Spring term.

Well done to all children in school as they have been so enthusiastic about all the sport they have taken part in and been incredibly successful again. We can't wait for another term of sport after Christmas. A huge thank you also to all the parents and carers that have helped the children with their support, encouragement and lifts to and from events!

Girls Football County Finals

After winning the Haywards Heath and Area finals; the girl's football team were in action again on Thursday as they travelled to the Sussex FA headquarters in Lancing to take part in the County Finals.

The girls played six group games against teams from all over Sussex. They won five of these and drew one scoring nine goals and conceding none. This meant they finished top of the group and progressed to the final.

Here they met Goldstone again after playing them in the group stage. The group game had finished 2-0. The girls took an early lead and then scored again to replicate the 2-0 score line from earlier in the afternoon. However, an own goal saw Goldstone get back into the game and set up a tense finish. The girls showed great determination though and held on to win 2-1.

This means that the girls can now add County Champions to their Area and Haywards Heath Champions titles. It also means they progress to the next stage of the competition. This is an absolutely incredible achievement and one the girls can be very proud of.

We would like to give a special mention to Ella who was unable to play in this tournament after breaking her foot. She played in all the other tournaments and hopefully will be back to full fitness for the next stage.

Thank you to the parents and carers that were able to transport the girls to the tournament. The members of the squad for this event were: Siobhan, Emma, Poppy, Emily, Maya, Kacey, Megan and Lilah.



Boccia and New Age Kurling

Seventeen Year 5 and 6 children took part in a Boccia and New Age Kurling festival at the Triangle Leisure Centre, Burgess Hill.

The children all competed in matches against different schools in both of the sports. This was a fantastic opportunity for the children to try a sport they may never have experienced before.

Tyler said: "I really like it as it's not about the winning. It's about sportsmanship and taking part."

Well done to all the children and thank you to all parents and carers that were able to provide transport.



The members of the squad for this festival were: Connie, Lisa, Betty, Megan, Izzy, Kiitan, Tyler, Harry, Izzy, Kate, Brooke, Ellie, Amber, Tom, Ollie, Ollie and Sam.



Intra-House Boccia

Last half term, all children took part in the first intra-house competition of the year.

The sport for this half term was Boccia which was a great chance for many children to partake in a sport they never had before.

The children competed against other house colour teams in their classes as they battled to see which team could consistently get their balls closest to the jack. Congratulations to Green house who came out eventual winners. Red and Yellow house were a joint second with Blue house coming fourth.



The children are now looking forward to the next intra-house competition, cross-country. This will take place over the next two weeks.



Intra-House Cross Country

All KS2 children took part in the second intra-house competition of the year: cross country.

All of the children did an amazing job and it was fantastic to see such great determination, resilience and perseverance. Congratulations to Evie and Leo who won the Year 3/4 races and Siobhan and Barney who won the Year 5/6 races.



After the event, the scores were totalled and the winner of the intra-house cross country event was blue house. Well done to them.



Girls Netball

Ten Year 4 girls took part in a netball festival at Warden Park Academy. The girls played a range of different skill games before applying them in some short friendlies.

The girls represented the school brilliantly by being polite to the leaders and listening at all times. They all developed and extended their skills and felt that they got better at netball during the afternoon.

Darcey said: "I'm definitely going to do more netball after this".



The members of the squad for this festival were: Maegan, Bella, Evie, Jennifer, Abigail, Danielle, Darcy, Maggie, Ella and Naomi.



Handball Festival

Seven Year 4 and 5 children went to a handball festival at Warden Park Academy. The children took part in a rotation of activities that were aimed at developing the children's skills in sending and receiving.

All of the children were very enthusiastic and worked hard to get better. They thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon as their smiles showed!

Well done to all the children and thank you to all parents and carers that were able to provide transport.

The members of the squad for this tournament were: Zara, Brooke, Bea, Tim, Charlie, Scott and Tom.



Cross Country

Nineteen Year 5 and 6 children braved the wind and rain to take part in the Haywards Heath cross country event.

The girl's race was first and all ten of the girls showed great determination and perseverance to ensure that they finished the race in the difficult conditions. Even better, five of the girls finished in the top 25 meaning that they will now go on to represent Mid Sussex in the next stage of the event. Well done to Siobhan, Emma, Poppy, Emily and Kirsten on this achievement. A big congratulations to Siobhan and Kirsten who finished 26th and 27th in the event last year but were not going to be stopped from making the Mid Sussex squad. An added well done to Siobhan who finished third overall and also to Emma who was our highest finishing year five girl coming in in sixth place. Both incredible achievements.

The boys were next in a tighter race which was made more difficult by the fact that the course had been churned up a little by the girls! The boys also dug deep and saw another child qualify for the Mid Sussex team as Barney put in an incredible final half a lap to finish 22nd.

These results meant that the boys equalled their 7th place finish from last year. The girls improved on last year by an incredible four places to seal second place.

Well done to all the children for such hard work early on a Saturday morning. Thank you also to the parents and carers that were able to transport them to the event and also those who braved the weather to stay and watch!

The members of the squad for this event were: Siobhan, Emma, Poppy, Emily, Emily, Molly, Nicole, Emily, Hanna-May, Kirsten, Jack, Jack, Kiitan, Freddie, Freddie, Samuel, Barney, Linus and Zeb.



Boys Football

Nine Year 6 boys took part in the Haywards Heath 7-a-side football tournament. The boys started well and dominated their opening game against Bolney but were unable to grab a goal resulting in a 0-0 draw.

The boys corrected this in the second game in a 5-0 win over Harlands 'B' team. Four goals from Edward and a last minute penalty from Barney sealed the win. This mean we needed at least a draw to ensure qualification from the group against Lindfield in the last game. The boys showed great determination and maturity to earn a 1-0 win thanks to a goal from Lawson.

This set up a semi-final of last year's finalists as we met Harlands 'A' team. Unfortunately we lost a tight game 1-0 meaning we won't have chance to defend our Area winner's title in the next round.

The boys were graceful in defeat however and she be proud of their achievements. This is now the third year in a year that we have made at least the semi-finals.

Thank you to all parents and carers that were able to transport the boys and stay and support them.

The members of the squad for this tournament were: Ben, Archie, Freddie, Freddie, George, Lawson, Barney, Edward and Samuel.



Girls Hockey

Nine Year 5 and 6 girls took part in a hockey tournament at The Triangle in Burgess Hill.

Unfortunately, the girls lost of all their games. However, they were playing much more experienced and established teams than them.

Despite this, the girl showed great perseverance and determination. They worked hard throughout all games and it was clear that they had improved from the start of the tournament. Also, all the girls said that they enjoyed themselves and would play hockey again.

The members of the squad for this tournament were: Faith, Megan, Megan, Hanna-May, Siobhan, Emma, Ella, Emily and Poppy.



Indoor Athletics

Twenty children from Year 6 took part in an indoor athletics event at Oathall. The children took part in a range of running, throwing and jumping events throughout the afternoon.

They all showed great determination and experienced many successes throughout the afternoon. Edward and Freddie won their 1 + 1 lap relay heat as did Barney and Liam in the six lap paarlauf. Edward, Freddie, Samuel and Jayden then won their 4 x 1 relay heat. Siobhan, Ella, Eva and Hanna-May also won their 4 x 1 lap relay. Ella and Siobhan won their 6 lap paarlauf heat and Amelie and Nicole won their 2 + 2 lap relay heat.

This meant that we finished fourth overall with only eight points separating us and the team in second.

Well done to all the children for working so hard and achieving so much. Thank you to all the parents and carers that came to support them.

The squad for this event was Siobhan, Amelie, Faith, Megan, Hanna-May, Molly, Ella, Megan, Nicole, Eva, Jacob, Samuel, George, Edward, Lawson, Barney, Liam, Freddie, Samuel and Jayden.

