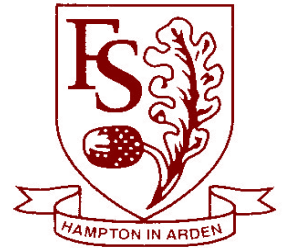




**George Fentham Endowed School**

## **SPORT NEWSLETTER**

**Autumn 2015**



We have had a very busy and successful first term at George Fentham School with a range of sporting events taking place including football, netball, basketball and cheerleading. It's always lovely to see the dedication, commitment and hard work the children demonstrate towards sport. At this point I would like to thank all parents, staff and pupils for their help in creating a fantastic sports programme here at George Fentham.

Mrs Nicholson



### **KS2 Cheerleading Festival**



Our first competition was the South Solihull Cheerleading Festival which took place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015 at Lode Heath School.

During the autumn term a small group of KS2 children took part in a 6 week block of training to learn a sequence of cheerleading movements. The children had the opportunity to share their ideas and worked extremely hard to put these into a cheerleading routine. I would like to mention Ryu who demonstrated a real flair for cheerleading.

The squad performed their routine with confidence and enthusiasm. They worked incredibly well as a team and did a great job in representing our school at the festival. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and we look forward to taking part in the KS1 Festival in the spring term.



## Playground Markings



We are delighted to announce that we have added fabulous playground markings onto our small playground. These include target board games, snakes and ladders and a road track. This is a great way to enable us to make use of the space effectively during lunchtime clubs and afternoon playtimes for EYFS and KS1.



## KS1 Athletics Roadshow



On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2015 KS1 had the opportunity to take part in an Athletics Roadshow which was run by specialist sports coaches. The roadshow focused on infant agility and was part of the Sainsbury's School Games programme. The children took part in a range of activities based on the fundamental skills of running, jumping and throwing. Well done to all the children in Years 1 and 2 who demonstrated great enthusiasm throughout the session.



## EYFS Dance and Movement



Nursery and Reception children have had the opportunity to take part in a series of dance and movement sessions run in partnership with Learning Curves Dance Company. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the experiences and have been able to develop a range of fundamental movement skills which they have been able to put into a simple sequence. Well done EYFS!



## Basketball

What an exciting start to the autumn term for our *George Fentham* basketball team!

Following a series of training sessions which took place on Tuesdays after school, run in partnership with Hampton Sports Club, a group of children were chosen to represent our school at the South Solihull Basketball League.

Nell, Kai, Adam, Mia, Regan and Ben joined together as a team on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2015 at Lyndon School to take part in our first set of Basketball League matches. We played 3 games in total- losing one, winning one and drawing one! Overall we scored 6 points which placed us 4<sup>th</sup> on the league board. A great start! We look forward to playing in our next set of matches in January.

Many thanks to all parents who came to support, the team really appreciated your presence!

## The Basketball Team





## Football



The football club played two matches in November as part of the Small School's League, with a lovely mixture of experienced and new players this year. A 4 - 1 win over Kineton Green was a great start and in the second match we battled valiantly in the pouring rain against a very good Our Lady of Compassion side, narrowly losing 2 - 1. I was proud of the way every player persevered and supported one another. We are now looking forward to our next few matches in February.



## Year 5 and 6 Tennis Tournament



Year 5 and 6 children spent a very enjoyable session at Hampton Tennis Club on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2015. Ian and Sam had organised a mini tournament in which the children played short games, of either singles or doubles, swapping around to play different partners. This was great fun and enabled the children to practise their tennis skills.





## Netball



The South Solihull Netball League commenced on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

With minimum practise and training Mia, Nell, Reagan, Joshua, Amy, Lottie and Hana headed off to Berkswell School to play our first match. As the game began our team gained in confidence and were able to put their developing netball skills to great use. It was a tough first match but the team did themselves and the school very proud by winning 8-4.

Well done George Fentham Netball team!

Our next match is due to be scheduled against Eversfield in the spring term.

## The Netball Team





## Sports Clubs



### Autumn Clubs 2015

**Learning Curves Dance Club-** Run by the Learning Curves Dance team on Friday after school 3.30pm-4.45pm.

**KS2 Sports Club-** Run in partnership with Hampton Sports Club, by a qualified coach, on a Tuesday after school 3.20pm-4.05pm.

**KS1 Sports Club-** Run in partnership with Hampton Sports Club, by a qualified coach, on Wednesday 12.45pm-1.15pm.

**Cheerleading Club-** Run by a qualified sports coach for KS2 on Wednesday 3.20-4.20pm.

**KS2 Football Club-** Run by Mr Bass on Monday 3.20-4.30pm.

**KS2 Netball Club-** Run by Mrs Nicholson on Friday 12.50-1.15pm.

**KS1 & 2 Martial Arts Club-** Run by a qualified sports coach on Monday 3.20-4.20pm.

**KS2 Gymnastics Club-** Run by a qualified sports coach for KS2 on Thursday 3.20-4.20pm.

### Spring Clubs 2016

**KS2 Sports Club-** Run in partnership with Hampton Sports Club, by a qualified coach, on a Tuesday after school 3.20pm-4.05pm.

**KS1 Sports Club-** Run in partnership with Hampton Sports Club, by a qualified coach, on Wednesday 12.45pm-1.15pm.

**KS2 Netball Club-** Run by Mrs Nicholson on Friday 12.50-1.15pm.

**Learning Curves Dance Club-** Run by the Learning Curves Dance team on Wednesday after school 3.30pm-4.45pm.

**KS2 Football Club-** Run by Mr Bass on Monday 3.20-4.30pm.

**Further details will be shared in the spring term.**



## Sporting Opportunities



### **Sporting opportunities autumn 2015**

**Year 3 Swimming-** Run by qualified swimming coaches every Tuesday at North Solihull Sports Centre.

**Basketball League Matches-** Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

**Netball League Matches-** Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

**Year 3 Dance Coaching-** A specialist PE teacher working alongside the class teacher, run in association with the South Solihull Sport Partnership.

**EYFS Dance and Movement Coaching-** Specialist dance teacher working alongside the class teacher, following the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum.

**KS2 Cheerleading Festival-** Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

**KS1 Athletics Roadshow-** Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

**Year 5 and 6 Tennis Tournament-** Run in partnership with the Hampton-in -Arden Tennis Club.

### **Sporting opportunities due to take place in spring 2016**

**Netball League Matches-** Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

**Basketball League Matches-** Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

**Netball Skills Competition-** Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

**South Solihull Dance Festival-** Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

**Further details of upcoming events will be shared during the spring term.**

