



George Fentham Endowed School

SPORT NEWSLETTER

Spring 2016



Since our last newsletter George Fentham School has had an extremely successful term, with over 50 children representing our school at different sporting events. I would like to say a big thank you and well done to all the children who have taken part in the events this term, they have all behaved exceptionally well, shown good sportsmanship and enjoyed every moment.

Mrs Nicholson



Dance Festival 2016



Well done to the Learning Curves Dance Squad for taking part in the South Solihull Schools Dance Festival on Wednesday 16th March 2016.

This event is one of a kind and involves 25 infant, primary and secondary schools getting together to showcase their talents in dance. Children ranging from 4-16 years old took part and it was a delight for all to watch.

The theme for this year's festival was 'Proud of Britain'. It was lovely to see a wide variety of dance styles and creative routines which schools had put together this year.

The Learning Curves Dance Squad performed an outstanding, energetic dance routine demonstrating a wide range of dance skills.

I would like to say a huge well done to all the children that took part and a big thank you to the Learning Curves Dance Company and Mrs Brown for attending the event.



Sport Relief 2016

On Friday 18th March 2016 George Fentham Endowed School helped raise money for Sport Relief. Children were invited to come to school in their sportswear and take part in an active, fun filled fitness class, run in partnership with Hampton Sports Club. The children thoroughly enjoyed taking part and worked incredibly hard to complete all the circuits in a short amount of time. Well done!



Reception Tennis and Football Workshops



Throughout the spring term Reception have had the opportunity to take part in a series of tennis skills workshops run in partnership with Hampton Sports Club. The children learnt some basic skills including serving, returning and rallying. Every session focused on moving the children forward and keeping them energetic with plenty of movement, starts, stops and direction changes. The children were able to develop balance, agility and coordination.

Our football workshops have been a great experience for the children to find out about enjoyable ways to keep healthy and fit. The children have been able to learn a wide range of skills with the support of a football coach from the FA. I have been very impressed with the fantastic progress the children have made.

I would like to thank all Reception children for behaving incredibly well in every workshop and showing great enthusiasm towards both sports.



Basketball

Our basketball team have played tremendously well this term. On Thursday 3rd March 2016 we played the final matches of the South Solihull Basketball League at Alderbrook School. You could see immediately that the team have perfected the basics of the game including the fundamentals of basketball. These skills include shooting, passing, lay ups, jump stops, dribbling and ball handling and are the foundation for every individual play, offensive or defensive strategy, and every move that players make.

Overall we achieved 3rd place in the league which is an outstanding result and an improvement since last year.

Well done, you showed great team spirit throughout the tournament and great sportsmanship towards the other teams. Thank you to the parents who helped with transport and those who came and supported us.



Football

The football teams have had a good term, with the girls reaching the Quarter Finals of the Solihull Shield (after a comprehensive win at Dorridge) and the boys competing hard in the Small Schools' League (the latest result being a 2 - 1 win against St. Margarets).

Throughout the summer term the Football Club will continue, giving all children the opportunity to develop their skills and play matches against other schools.

A huge well done to all the children for their fantastic attitude, great sportsmanship and perseverance.

Mr Bass



Health Week



Health Week is always an enjoyable part of the year where the children take part in a range of activities which help promote and raise the profile of 'Healthy Active Lifestyles'. It was a very busy week- let's take a look at what the children experienced:

- A visit to the Life Bus where they took part in an educational session with Harold and his friends.
- Cross-curricular lessons in the classroom.
- Football Workshops run in partnership with the FA.
- First Aid training for KS2.
- Year 6 Drugs Awareness Workshop.
- Fruit tuck shop.

The children thoroughly enjoyed Health Week and are using these experiences to help them make good life choices and lead 'Healthy Active Lifestyles'.



Netball



The netball team have worked incredibly hard this term and have shown great dedication towards their sport. Despite the rain and cold, they have given up their lunchtimes to practise. They have developed confidence in their own abilities and are working very well as part of a team. They have played 4 matches in the Rural Schools Tournament, losing 2 matches and winning 2. The children showed exemplary sportsmanship in all matches. I would like to say that I am extremely proud of all the children who have taken part in netball this year.



Gymnastics



I would like to thank the Year 2 children who were due to take part in the gymnastics competition this year. Due to unforeseen circumstances we could not take part, however, I know that the children worked very hard to rehearse the routine ready for the event. We look forward to taking part next year!



Sports Clubs



Spring 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 summer term.

Summer Clubs 2016

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 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.

Reception and Year 1 Gymnastics/Dance Club- run by the Animated Dance team on Friday after school 3.20pm- 4.20pm.

Further details will be shared in the summer term.



Sporting Opportunities



Sporting opportunities spring 2016

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

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.

Sporting opportunities due to take place in spring 2016

Year 2 Tri-Golf Festival- Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

Year 6 Tag Rugby Festival- Run in partnership with the South Solihull Sport Package.

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