

# PE & Sports

## **SPRING 2 SPORTS UPDATE**

We've had a very busy and enjoyable spring term, with lots of festivals and competitions taking place throughout.

We started the term with our set of netball festivals and competitions. First up was our Year 3/4/KS2 netball festival, where we had 16 children taking part in this event. It was

lovely to see some faces of those children who were attending the festival for the first time and was a great opportunity for the children to get to know the game, familiarise themselves with the rules and tactics, meet children from other schools and, most importantly, have lots of fun!



We then kicked off our rounds of competitions, starting with year 6. The team were absolutely brilliant – resilient throughout and despite a rocky start, came back stronger than ever to take home the trophy. I think their smiling faces says it all!



Next up, the year 5s and, at the risk of repeating myself, how amazing they were too. We got off to a rocky start to begin but once the team found their feet and relaxed into playing, they showed real strength and determination to bounce back and were delighted to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> at this event. A special mention to Ted from year 4 who was brave



After, was the turn of our year 3/4 class...we only had a team of 7 for this event, which meant that our three girls had to play every single minute of every single match! This didn't stop them from working their little socks off and were too crowned winners of their event! This was the first trophy that our year 3/4 team walked away with and both myself and Miss Spence were incredibly proud of them all.



enough to step up and represent our year 5 team at this event – thank you Ted!

We entered the city wide netball tournament again this year and, after the weather postponed the first event, we were delighted to play the rescheduled event last week. We played 5 other Brighton schools on the day and played some exceptional netball. Like always, the team worked well together, supported and encouraged each other throughout and, most importantly, had a very fun afternoon. We won every single game, which meant we came 1st overall and progressed through to the Brighton school finals a week later.

At the finals, our wonderful netball team played a total of 4 games and won 3 of those. This meant that we finished 2nd. The children were amazing...determined, resilient and kind to all.



They were a little sad to not go on and win but should be so proud of their achievements.

### **CRICKET**

We've had a few cricket events taking place this term and we started back in January with a festival event for a small group of year 3 and 4 children, organised by Sussex Cricket. It was a lovely afternoon, where the children were giving the opportunity to take part in a round robin of activities, all with the aim of learning new cricket skills or developing existing ones.

Later on in the term, we took a group of year 5 and 6 girls' to BACA to participate in a girl's only cricket competition, again, run and organised by Sussex Cricket. We were divided into two separate groups and, putting into

place everything the girls have learnt in their PE lessons with Mr Hoad, they played some excellent cricket and were announced as winners of our group.





This meant that the girls were invited to the Sussex Cricket County Finals.

We played this last Monday and, once again, the girls did us very proud! We faced some very tough opposition, from some of the best cricket I've seen at primary school level. We finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in our group and the girls were delighted to win their last game. The resilience and determination shown from this group of girls was phenomenal. Well done to all involved.

# HOCKEY

Our second set of events for the ACE partnership focused on hockey, which we hosted here at OLOL. It was so lovely to be able to see so many children participating in a game that they may not have played before and even better to have our parents here supporting.

We started with our year 6 team, who were brilliant (as always!) and they walked away as winners of their event. Next up, our year 5s, who once again, demonstrated excellent resilience and team work and came 4<sup>th</sup> in their event.





Finally for the competitions, were our year 3/4 team, who came 1st! Miss Turner was so impressed with their efforts and determinations and the children were so proud of themselves, as were we. Well done to all involved!

# **FOOTBALL**



We entered the Brighton and Hove Schools FA Brighton Cup for both our boys' and girls' teams this year. First up were our girls' team, where we travelled away to play Westdene. Supported by a very eager Mrs Philbrook, the girl's worked their socks off against a very strong opposition but held their heads high despite a defeat. As Mrs P said: 'It was freezing cold, the pitch was huge and the other team were on home turf-but our girls showed real grit and resilience. They lost 9-0 but never gave up and always had a smile in their face. So proud of them all!' It was lovely to give the girls the opportunity to play football as a team and I know they all had a lovely afternoon. Thank you to parents for helping Mrs P at this event too!





Boys from year 5 and 6 played a football match against Stanford Primary School this week. It was the first round of the 'Fitzgerald Cup'. Travelling to Longhill to play, on a very cold and wet Tuesday afternoon, the boys didn't disappoint! Each and every single one of them played fantastically well; working together as a team and supporting and encouraging each other throughout. I'm delighted to tell you that we won the match 9-1! This means the boys progress through to the next round of the cup, which will be played after Easter. A big well done to all involved.

Mrs Golawska

### **CLUBS FOR SUMMER TERM:**

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Please follow the links below for after school clubs:

https://ourladyoflourdesprimaryschool.co.uk/curriculum/pe/

### **KS1**:

Tuesday – Sportscool – Multiskills Wednesday – Sportscool – Football

### **KS2**:

Tuesday – Mr Hoad - Boys football Wednesday – Mr Hoad - Girls football Friday – Sportscool - Multiskills