



Active @ Holywell

Autumn 2024

MOVE & THRIVE

On a beautiful Autumn morning in October, 18 children from Year 1 & Year 2 took part in some fun games outside including Silly Bananas, Cars and Bridges and Castle Knockdown. They had lots of fun being active and working together as a team.

In the last week of term, 10 children from KS2 took part in some fun games including Pacman, Sharks and Fishes and Hula Hut Smashdown. It was so lovely seeing the children having fun doing a range of different activities together.



PE POINTS

The PE Points system continues to be used during PE lessons, break times, lunchtimes and at Forest School. The children are awarded with a sticker showing the School value they have shown. The class with the most points can choose different sports to play on Friday lunchtime.



YOUNG LEADERS

We have a dedicated group of eight Year 6 children who take it in turns to give up their lunchtimes to provide the younger children with a safe and fun area to play with different sports equipment. We are so proud of them for continuing to offer this provision so a big thank you to Alex, George, Bruce, Lucas, Jamie, Holly, Ella and Gracie.

CLUBS

Year 6 Tag Rugby Club - During the first half-term, some Year 6 children took part in this club to get ready for the tournament in November. They learnt some new skills and tactics for game-play (see the picture in the Tournament Section of the Newsletter).



Year 5 Ball Sports Club—After half term, some Year 5 children attended the Balls Sports Club where they played a range of different ball sports including: dodgeball, benchball, basketball and korfbal. The children were fabulous and played really well together

Girls' Football After School Club—We are very grateful to Kirsty Robinson who is doing a fantastic job of coaching the girls on Mondays after school. The girls have improved so much, winning their first game of the year 11–1!!



Primary Sports Stars KS1 Multi-Sports Club — Mr Puckey has been continuing to run this club for the children in Year 1 & Year 2, providing them with the opportunity to take part in a range of different sports and games.

Primary Sports Stars KS2 Dodgeball Club — Mr Puckey and Mr Paine have had over 20 children attending the dodgeball club which is fantastic. A big thank you to them.

Year 4–6 Mixed Football Squad— The football squad continue to train hard on Thursday lunchtimes to prepare for the matches and tournaments coming up later in the year.



Year 5 & 6 Netball Club—The club continues to thrive as those new to the game are now learning more about the tactics of the game.



Year 4–6 Girls Football Lunchtime Squad—The girls have been continuing to train hard on Wednesday lunchtimes, improving their skills and gameplay.





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FESTIVALS AND TOURNAMENTS

We have had a busy Autumn term with lots of children attending festivals, tournaments and competitions. A big thank you to the Hunts Schools Sports Partnership (HSSP), Youth Dreams Project (YDP) and Huntingdon District Primary Schools Football Association (HDPSFA) for putting on many of these fantastic events. Also thank you to all the parents who have helped with transport to these events.

Year 2 Multi-Skills Festival

In October we took 18 Year 2 children to the One Leisure St Ives Outdoor Centre. They took part in a range of fun sport-related activities including football, rugby, cricket and golf.



Year 5 Girls' Football Festival

We took 7 Year 5 girls to the football festival held at One Leisure Outdoor Centre. The girls played in 7-side games and improved so much during the morning. They took turns in different positions and supported each other throughout the event—we were so proud of all of them.



Year 1 Cricket Festival

In October we took 16 budding Year 1 cricketers to Sawtry Village Academy. They took part in a game called Rapid-Fire Cricket, playing against a number of other schools. They did fantastic batting, running and fielding and we were so proud of their enthusiasm and teamwork.



Year 5 & 6 Girls' Football Pokemen Cup

On a sunny afternoon in October, we took 9 budding footballers to this competition. The first match was a tough one as we played the eventual winners of the tournament! After this difficult start, the girls showed fantastic resilience and gained in confidence throughout the morning, ending up winning 3 out of our next 4 matches! Huge congratulations and many thanks to Kirsty Robinson for training the girls on a Monday after school.



Dickenson Cup Football Match

For our first football match of the year, our 'A' Team played against St Helens School in the Dickenson Cup. The squad included boys and girls from Years 4–6 and they played really well. The final score was 2-0 to St Helens and the Player's Player was Arlo—our super goal keeper. Well done everyone for your hard work!



Year 6 Tag Rugby Tournament—WINNERS!!!

On Bonfire Night, we saw the Year 6 setting off fireworks at the Small Schools Rugby Tournament at St Neots Rugby Club. We played four other schools and were undefeated! Lots of the children scored tries and were amazing in defence, pulling lots of tags and stopping the opposition from scoring. We were particularly pleased with the team spirit that was shown from all the children, giving each other opportunities to run with the ball and score. MASSIVE CONGRATULATIONS to all ten of the children, most of who attending the Tag Rugby club after school. Well done everyone!





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Year 5 & Year 6 Mixed Football Pokemon Cup

After half-term, we took 10 budding footballers to One Leisure St Ives Outdoor Centre to take part in this tournament. The children showed great team spirit, rotating positions and supporting each other. We came 5th out of 11 schools with was a great result! Well done everyone!



KS1 & KS2 Panathlon Festival

We took 6 children to the Panathlon Festival at One Leisure Indoor Centre in November. They enjoyed playing a variety of different sports including: bowling, football and curling. They showed amazing team spirit, cheering each other on all morning and came away with a Bronze Medal! Congratulations to them all.



Year 1 Schools Sports Festival

After half-term, we took six Year 1 children to the Youth Dreams Project Schools Sports Festival at St Helen's Primary School. The children took part in a range of fun sporting challenges and were fantastic! A special mention to Colbie J who won a special prize for being chosen as the player of the morning for his good team spirit and smile!



KS2 Girls' Football—Henson Cup

On a chilly afternoon in November, the girls took part in the first round of The Henson Cup against St John's C of E Primary School. Kirsty Robinson was Head Coach and led the girls to an amazing 11–1 victory! Unfortunately, we didn't win our 2nd round match against a very strong Bushmead side, but the girls never gave up and gave it their all. Well done to them all!



Walters Cup Football – Onto the 3rd round!



The Walters Cup is a competition for Year 5 and under. Our 1st round opposition were Wintringham School. We had 10 children from Years 3–5 playing and they were outstanding. We won the match 6–2 with a fantastic hat-trick being scored by Josh in Year 5. We played the 2nd round against Wheatfields Primary School in the last week of term.

It was an exciting match with some super football. The final score was 5–3 to Holywell with another hat-trick from Josh! Congratulations to them all...we look forward to the 3rd round!

Panathlon 10-Pin Bowling Festival

In early December, we took 6 KS2 children to this festival at Tenpin in Cambridge. The children competed against other schools and as individuals. We had lots of fun and knocked lots of skittles over—some children even managed to get some strikes! Well done everyone!



Year 5 / 6 Mixed Football Pokemon Cup

After half-term, 10 boys and girls from Year 5 & 6 took part in the Pokemon Cup football tournament at St Ives One Leisure Outdoor Centre. It was a 7-a-side competition against 11 other Huntingdonshire Primary Schools. The children showed great team spirit as they rotated positions and supported each other during matches. We won 1 game, drew 2 games and lost 2 games and came 5th overall—a super result!

