



# Holywell P.E. and Sport Newsletter

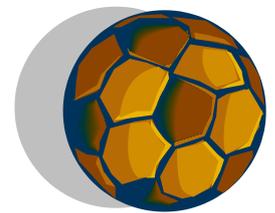


## Welcome to our first P.E. and Sport newsletter.

Holywell School had the honour of hosting our A Team Football tournament at Mill Fields. The tournament was a great success and we have been commended on what great hosts we were. This was a great relief as it was the first tournament we had hosted since we took over our roles of PE leadership. Our team came 4<sup>th</sup>, but their teamwork and behaviour was excellent, so we could not ask for more. We would like to say a massive thank you to Mill Fields for allowing us to host here, the Hunts Sports Partnership for their support and a special thank you to three of our parents who gave up their time to set up the pitches, referee and coach the children. So thank you to Mr Huttley, Mr Bussetil and Mr Brook, we could not have managed without you all.

The following week was the turn of our B Team who were playing away at Westfield Junior School, once again the children played magnificently, and only missed out of qualifying for the next round by 1 goal difference. Well done to the team, and a big thank you to Mr McCann, who kindly offered to referee and coach the children. Once again we could not manage without the kind support of our parents in these events. Some of the players have written a match report:

## HOLYWELL FOOTBALL REPORT



On Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> March, Holywell School went to Westfield to play a football tournament against the following Schools.

- Bury
- Somersham
- Westfield
- Wheatfield

The first game we played we won 1 – 0, and it was a great victory for Holywell School. The second game we played we drew 0-0 but it was an intense match to play the third game we played we drew 1-1. We shook hands afterwards and it was a great game. Our fourth match we lost 2 - 0. Unfortunately we failed to qualify into the next round by just 1 point.

The results were : 1<sup>st</sup> Westfield, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wheatfields, 3<sup>rd</sup> Holywell (on goal difference), and Bury School came last. We all enjoyed playing the tournament, although we were slightly disappointed that we did not qualify, but there's always next year.

Written by Lucas, Amber & Chris!!!!!!

We would also like to thank Mrs Huttley, who ensures all the children's kits are ready for each tournament, and ensures all the kits are returned ready for the next competitions.



## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



Our After School Club activities are proving a great success; the children are currently enjoying a variety of activities, such as Row, Cross Country, Cricket, Football with CUFC and netball. Clubs continue throughout the year so please look out for fliers and information on all our activities. A list of clubs running is also available on the School's website. If any parents have experience in a sport and would like to help run a club, please get in touch, we would love to hear from you. The children gain so much experience and enjoyment from these activities.

Holywell School has entered many competitions and tournaments over the years and we would like to clarify how children are chosen. Although it is our aim that most children can represent the school, the children in Year 6 take priority. We also take into consideration how children are responding in class, taking on leadership roles, working together as a team and engaging in the learning. Children are not just chosen because they play a sport outside of School. We hope that this puts parents' minds at rest and that you can see we do our utmost best to treat all children fairly.

Our Cross Country competition will be held as usual at Priory Park in St Neots. This year we have been allowed to enter 2 boys and 2 girls' teams. This is very exciting for the children and the teams will be selected very soon. The children have all been practising extremely hard and we thank Ms Abdee and Mrs Taylor for their commitment in training the children.



In May we have a Netball tournament for the Year 5 and 6 children. More news about this event will follow after Easter.



We will be continuing to get children more active by running the Golden Mile on a Tuesday and Wednesday morning and the very popular Just Dance on a Friday morning. We would like to thank all staff who voluntarily helps run this event. As the weather improves, we will be using the school playing field to run the Golden Mile. Please encourage your children to take part in this as it is a vital boost to increasing their daily physical allowance.



### **SPORTS RELIEF**

For Sports Relief all classes chose to do a PE activity of their choice during the week and Sports Relief bands were being sold to raise money. Please be advised that there are still lots of bands that need to be sold, and we will be continuing to sell them for the foreseeable future. Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to this worthy cause.



### **SPORTS DAY**

Our annual Sports Day has been provisionally booked for June 19<sup>th</sup> subject to the weather, with a reserve date of June 22<sup>nd</sup>. More details will be issued nearer the event.

We are incredibly lucky that the Needingworth Bowls Club have invited our Year 5s to receive an introductory course of bowling after the May half term.



### **SPORTS PREMIUM**

During this academic year we will receive Sport Premium funding from the Department of Education to improve our PE facilities and offer different sporting activities for the children. We will use the PE and School Sport Premium to:

- further develop or add value to the PE and sport activities that our school already offers
- make sustainable improvements now that will benefit current pupils and those joining our school in the future

We use this fund to subscribe to the Hunts Schools Sports Partnership (HSSP) which supports us in teaching and learning PE and Sport. We have purchased playground equipment for the children to use, have trained our Year 5 children to be 'Active Me' leaders. They will lead games for all children to be able to participate in during the break and lunch time periods. We have used some of the funding to pay for Chance to Shine Cricket after school club for the Year 2 and 3 children to participate in. We have ordered new team kit for the children to wear when representing Holywell at tournaments and competitions. Next term our priority will be to further improve the outside facilities by purchasing more playground equipment; such as table tennis tables and outside gym equipment for the children to use during break and lunchtime.

## THIS MONTHS PUPILS' SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS



Janos from Year 6 has just competed in the National Swimming Competition in Germany. There was 5 countries participating, and Janos competed in 5 races.

Janos won Gold in the 100 metres freestyle, Silver in the 50m backstroke, and came 4<sup>th</sup> in both the 50 metres breast stroke and freestyle and 8<sup>th</sup> in the 100 metres breast stroke. Congratulations Janos, what a wonderful achievement and inspiration to us all.



If your child has any sporting achievements, please let us know, and we can share their achievements with the School community.



Finally we would like to close our newsletter by saying a big thank you to all our parents who successfully help run our after school activities as without you, our clubs would fail to continue. And please come and talk to us if you would like to run a club or have any contacts. We would love to hear from you.

Happy Easter,  
Mrs Butler, Mrs Barker & Mrs Purell