



# Holywell P.E. and Sport

## Newsletter 7

### Summer 2019



Welcome to the final edition of our Sporting newsletter for this academic year.

Another term has flown by and as we are nearing the end of the summer term we say a fond farewell to our year 6 pupils and the many who have competed in competitions and tournaments throughout their time at Holywell School. Thank you to you all.

#### PE and Sport



The Daily Mile continues to be an exciting part of our day. The weather has warmed up, so children have been using the school field! As children continue to participate in this activity, we do ask that sports trainers are worn to school or are kept there so that all children can take part safely. We are delighted that the HSA are supporting us financially with the installation of an all-weather track and we are aiming to have it installed in the October half term. It will be very exciting to see and use it once it has been installed.

As always 'Just Dance' on a Friday morning continues to be as popular as always and it's so encouraging to see all the children actively taking part with their peers of all age groups. Please ensure that children do not arrive at school before 8.40 for this event.

We have taken part in many competitions and tournaments this term and sometimes there has not been enough Holywell Team Kit for everyone. So, Mrs. Purell has ordered some additional kit using some of the governmental PE and Sports Premium Fund. For more information about the spending of this fund please see the school website.

#### Cross Country

In May we entered two boys and two girls' teams into the Cambridgeshire Primary Schools Cross-Country Relay Championships in Priory Park, St Neots. One of our boy's teams came 10th out of a possible 136 and the three other teams did very well too. An incredible achievement for a 'small school' like ours.



#### Cricket



In June we won the Huntingdon area Kwik Cricket competition run by Cricket East and progressed to play in the county finals in July.

Unfortunately two of our original cricket players were unable to compete in this final due to broken limbs but we were still lucky to have a strong team for the final and the team tried their best.

#### Athletics

Eight of our current Year 6 pupils were very fortunate to be given the opportunity to participate in an Athletics event held at the Outdoor Centre. All the pupils performed excellently and had a fabulous day out, enjoying many different athletic activities.

We also entered teams of Year 6 pupils into the Hunts Schools Sports Partnership Quadkids Athletics Competition in the penultimate week of term. We came second in the Small Schools category with 1400 points and an individual certificate was awarded by the organiser of the event to Charlie Webb for his outstanding sportsmanship when supporting a team member.



## Netball



In May we entered two mixed netball teams into the High 5s netball tournament at St. Ivo. The original match should have been held in April, but due to our unpredictable weather the tournament had to be re-arranged. Several of our A team squad were unavailable for the re-arranged match, so our Year 4 squad members stepped up for the challenge. They all played magnificently and definitely stepped up to this challenge, with the organiser of



the tournament commenting to us that he was impressed by their netball skills. We are already looking forward to next year when both our existing and new players will get the opportunity to compete.

## After School and Lunchtime Clubs

All children are continuing to be enjoying our clubs despite the inclement weather earlier this term. We are pleased that the weather is finally improving! We have noticed that some children are being picked up later than the scheduled end time of the club. Please could parents ensure that children are collected at the correct times, if for any reason you are going to be late picking up, please contact our clubs co-ordinator Mrs Purell. If you find it difficult to pick your child up at the designated times please contact our After School Club team, who will be more than happy to look after your child until you arrive.



### Netball Club

Our netball club continues to thrive. Karen Tyers, our coach, has already trialled out pupils in preparation for netball training in September. It was agreed that Mrs Tyers would take full control and the pupils picked would be her choice. Children were chosen not just through their skills, but also behaviour and attitude. Thank you Karen for making the difficult decision of choosing the children, and for all your coaching and hard work throughout the year. We really couldn't do it without your wonderful support.

## Premier Sports



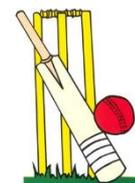
Premier Sports are an outside agency who have offered our pupils the opportunity to have football coaching and participate in a multi skills activities. Unfortunately from September we will no longer be using Premier Sports and we have a new company taking over. This company is called 'Over and In' and they will offer Football coaching for KS1 and KS2 children and multi skills for KS1 pupils.

Look out for more details of this fabulous opportunity for your children to participate in an after school club.

## Cricket

We are extremely pleased that Oak Activities have been coaching some of our KS1 and KS2 children. We are planning to continue to use Oak Activities for After School Clubs and from September we are hoping that Rugby training will once again commence. Please look out for the fliers for more information.

Cricket East have provided Cricket coaching to Cedar and Elm classes as part of their Chance to Shine programme in the Summer Term.



### RAW

RAW runs on a Monday after school for KS1 children, and on a Friday for KS2 children. For more information please look out for the regular fliers sent out via email or contact the school office for more information. Raw runs workshops throughout the holidays and

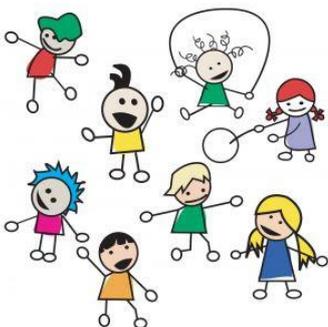
information will be sent out via the school. **Raw for KS1 children will run from September on a Tuesday instead of a Monday. KS2 will remain on the same day.**



## TENNIS

Needingworth Tennis Club has been running weekly lunchtime sessions for our budding tennis stars this term and we thank them sincerely for these free sessions for our children.

## Playtimes & Lunchtimes



As our Year 6 pupils are trained as Play Leaders., they are sadly leaving us, so from September the current Year 5 soon to be the new Year 6 will take over these activities. They are fully in charge of distributing the playground equipment and are playing interactive games with any children that want to join in. They are doing a great job, and it is great to see all children joining in regardless of their age group. Our Mid-Day Supervisors have also been trained to help children participate in playground games to help children interact with each other. Next term our current Y5s will be trained by Y6 to take on this important role and Y5 have already volunteered to teach the games that they have learnt from the older generation who visited school this half term as part of the Lent Challenge.

## Sports Day

Wow, what a wonderful day we had for Sports Day, the weather was glorious and we had the biggest audience watching our wonderful children compete. Our Year 6 leaders were wonderful, and alas as sad as it was that this was their last sports day at Holywell, they have passed their knowledge down to the Year 5 pupils for next year. We had dancing, different sporting stations and finished off by our sprinting races. Every child was a credit to the school for competing and thoroughly enjoying being part of such a fabulous day.

## Sporting Achievements



As always, we love to hear from the children about their sporting achievements. Please let us know if your child has recently celebrated a sporting achievement as we would love to share this with our school community. Any photos can be printed at home and sent in with your child or emailed directly to the school office. Please indicate details of their achievements.



Also could we ask any parents that would be willing to be added to a list to help out at school sporting events – particularly with refereeing. Please do let us know, we really do need as much help and support with this at these events.



Thank you to parents and carers for your continued support with PE and Sport at Holywell School.

We wish you all a happy and safe summer. See you all in September.

Mrs Butler, Mrs Purell & Mrs Fear.