

Sporting News – Spring 2



St Paul's C of E Junior School

St Paul's continues to demonstrate a high level of performance in the School Games Competitions.

SMASH Badminton



Following the outstanding success in TeamGym earlier this term, the Year 3/4 Badminton team showcased their skills at the SMASH Badminton Tournament on Friday 8th February.

Congratulations to Finn, Jed, Sam, Samuel, Orla, Megan, Eloise and Fleur who came 5th overall. Everyone had a fantastic time completing lots of skills based challenges and activities.

In2Hockey

St Paul's fielded their first ever hockey team on Monday 11th February at Maiden Erlegh School. The competition was hosted and run by Maiden Erlegh pupils who did a fantastic job of coaching as well as refereeing the matches. All of the matches were closely fought and it was great to see a marked improvement by the end of the tournament. Coming 2nd overall was a superb achievement and congratulations to everyone who played. Man of the tournament was Andrew.



Inter-House Cross Country

Wow what a turnout we had at our inaugural cross-country event. The sun shone on over 80 runners from Years 3 to 6. Every runner scored points for their Houses, contributing to the final total. Many congratulations to Sienna and Lucas for winning the Year 3/4 girls' and boys' races respectively. Marnie continued to dominate the Year 5/6 girls' races, validating her position as the Year 5/6 Girls TVRL winner this season. Well done Marnie! Theo also demonstrated a solid run taking the title for the Year 5/6 boys.

Congratulations to all our winners and to every single runner who took part this year. A huge thank you to all the parents and grand-parents who helped to marshal the races. Well done to Lewis who were the winning house and will hold the cup until next year.

St Paul's C of E Junior School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all pupils, staff, volunteers, visitors and external agencies to share this commitment.

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Inter-House Matches

There was a great turn out for both football and netball house matches and we had lots of fun. Congratulations to Lewis for winning at netball and Jameson the football.



Football League - Girls

The girls have been working extremely hard in training and it showed! They demonstrated fantastic improvement with their last two games of the season.

St Paul's v Polehampton – 1-1

What a close match. The girls showed their tenacity and determination as they didn't give up managing to hold Polehampton to a draw. Player of the match was Jenny for doing a sterling job in goal making some incredible saves to keep the score line even!

St Paul's v St Dominics – 3-1

This was a great game with the girls showcasing their passing skills as well as excellent teamwork. Player of the match was Abigail who scored 2 goals.

Football League - Boys

Bearwood v St Paul's – 0-9

The boys played extremely well against a lively Bearwood side. They continued to work hard right to the end of the match despite being in front from the start. Man of the match was Owen.

Hawkedon v St Paul's – 2-1

Despite being on top for most of the game sadly St. Paul's conceded to an on form Hawkedon side. They were very unlucky not to walk away with a win.

Hawthorns v St Paul's – 3-1

Hawthorns are the team to beat in our league, so we knew it was going to be a tough match. However, the team played extremely well, rattling Hawthorns and taking control of the pitch. Sadly, Hawthorns scored a couple of early goals and despite fighting back with many near misses the team were unable to level the score line.



Tag Rugby Festival at Bisham Abbey

Our mixed tag rugby team had great fun at Bisham Abbey, participating in the Tag Rugby Festival as part of the Winter School Games county finals. The team played very well, especially as they were all very new to rugby, winning 4 games and losing 2 games. The players of the festival were Edward and Jodie who were outstanding throughout.

TVRL – Thames Valley Running League Relays

What a finish to the season we had. St Paul's fielded at least two full teams in each race. We had some wonderful performances and lots of energy and enthusiasm culminating in St Paul's coming 4th overall for the season and Marnie winning the individual Year 5/6 Girls' Cup. In addition, the Year 5/6 girls' team came from behind to storm into pole position, coming 1st overall!



Y3/4 Football Festival – Luckley House School

We took a mixed lower school team Luckley last week. The festival was organised and run by their sports leaders who did an excellent job. The children received many compliments from the Luckley staff and referees on how well behaved they were, and on how well they played. A big well done to the team who won 2, lost 2 and drew 1 match.

Y4 High-5 Netball festival – Crosfields School

The progression of our Year 4 girls' team over the afternoon was outstanding. Not only did they learn the rules of netball in one afternoon, they also played very well. Everyone had a great time and congratulation are in order for all of our players.



Indoor Athletics School Games County Finals

The competition was fierce and the standard extremely high. Representing Wokingham, we competed against the best schools from: Bracknell, Reading, Windsor, Maidenhead & Ascot, Slough and Wokingham. In addition, there were two teams from West Berkshire. The children worked so hard, many achieving a personal best.

Our team finished 7th overall – a fantastic achievement and we are so proud of each and every one of them! They displayed exemplary behaviour, supporting every member of the team.



Mrs C Foster, PE & Games Coordinator