



Chippenham Sports Partnership News

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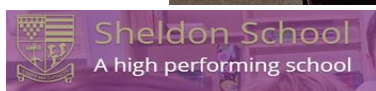
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PLT Meeting!

Once again it was lovely to see everyone in person and share all the latest news from the Partnership! With lots of BIG events happening in the summer term it was a great opportunity to get everyone up to speed with all of the details, ready for a term of fun.

We were lucky to welcome John (Breathing and Respiratory coach) who led us through some breathing practises as well as Jim Tew from Create Development took us through some CPD on RealDance!

As a group we also said goodbye to one of our longstanding PLT's Jan Douglas from Monkton Park. It was been a joy to work with Jan and we wish best wishes for her early retirement.





Jubilee Games



What fun we had planning this one! The sun was shining for our first ever Jubilee Games event to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee coming up next month. Over 250 children from reception and year 1 attended Abbeyfield School to complete different fun stations, each with its own royal twist! Our royal event started and finished with a procession behind the amazing Abbeyfield Samba band. The pupils then had the chance to try activities such as 'what's the time your majesty' and 'beefeater balance'. They were also really keen to get their faces painted with lots of Royal Jubilee designs! The biggest excitement for the day was being able to meet the 'the Queen' in real life – well done to SSCO Selina Porter for dressing the part!

It was brilliant to see so many happy and smiley pupils, all getting stuck into the activities and trying their hardest. This has definitely been a highlight of the year so far! In the words of Eloise, age 5 "I didn't want the fun to stop!" Thank you to all of the schools who got involved and to all of the fantastic young people, both pupils and leaders, for making the event such a success!





Dance Festival



Spread over 2 nights the Chippenham Dance Festival once again proved to be a delightful evening where children from 15 local primary schools showcased their dancing talent. With a theme of Top of the Pops, the audience at the Neeld Hall were taken through musical history with tunes from Footloose to Daft Punk. Each school showed us high energy, interesting choreography, and some really creative ideas. The most important thing was the happy smiles as they took to the stage, and the sense of achievement from all of the children involved. The Chippenham Dance Festival is an experience that some of them will remember throughout their lives. In most cases schools had spent months learning and refining their performances; developing their dance skills, teamwork and also having fun along the way!

Those watching were also fortunate to have dancers from Abbeyfield, Sheldon and Hardenhuish Schools, as well as the fantastic CDA dance company who were all excellent role models and provided the primary pupils with inspiration as they start their own dancing journeys.

The Chippenham Sports Partnership would like to thank all of the performers who truly made this a night we will never forget, and also to the amazing Sports Leaders as this event could not run without their help. Thanks also to Steve Boocock from Wiltshire and Swindon School Sport and to Ollie Phipps, Chippenham's Community engagement Manager for their continued support.





Orienteering

Our Orienteering 'expert' Ken arrived early with his dream team of Rosie, Antonia and Andy to set up the course ready for this event. On arrival each team were given the chance to complete a practise task using the microchipped scanners. Teams were then set off in pairs, using their maps to navigate their way around the field, finding each marker in turn. Endurance and teamwork were high on the agenda for this event and the pupils didn't disappoint!

Once the course had been completed each group had the opportunity to try some fun orienteering games such as funny faces, clockface orienteering and a ball team challenge.

The results were:

1st – Kington St Michael

2nd – Kings Lodge

3rd – Frogwell

Well done to all involved and thanks again to Ken and team for all their support!





Multi Skills



After some of our primaries had to unfortunately pull out of the multi skills event on the last day of term, the Chippenham Sports Partnership quickly adapted the plan with the remaining school and relocated to Monkton Park Primary for a multi skills morning of fun! The day started with the year 6 pupils evaluating some of their previous leadership training and working in groups to design their own multi skills stations. They had to consider how they could make it harder, whether it would work in the space and with the equipment on offer, and most importantly whether it would be fun!

There was much excitement as they raided the PE cupboard and each group then set up their activity before having a practise run explaining it to their friends. The moment of truth came after break when 38 energetic year 3's came out ready to take part.

Thankfully the year 6's rose to the challenge and explained their stations with confidence, working well as teams to get all of the younger pupils involved. It was lovely to see the organised and caring manner they had, and also the way the year 3s put lots of effort into each task. A truly proud moment for all involved and thoroughly impressive display of leadership within the school community! Well done Monkton Park!

L2 Kwik Cricket

Chippenham Cricket Club was a sight to behold as our primary schools enjoyed the first Chippenham Sports partnership festival since 2019. With 9 teams involved it was set to be an exciting event, especially with the new dynamo rules to make the games more fast paced. The teams were split into 3 groups and each pair faced 2 overs of 5 balls (new dynamo rules!)

Teams dug deep in the first games as they got used to the rules but it was fantastic to see the children grow in confidence as the matches progressed, including seeing them start to apply some tactics!

At the end of the pool stage the teams were re-organised into a new competition so that the winners could play each other. After some close games, filled with big hits and wickets being taken, Queens Crescent came out victorious!

Congratulations to Stanton St Quinton who came in second place, and to St Peters in third. Well done to all cricketers involved who showed such energy!

Huge thanks to Ali Goddard from Wiltshire Cricket for all his support, and also to Chippenham Cricket Club for hosting us.



Summer Young Officials and Short Golf



This was an exciting day with 2 events in one! The morning started with the Summer Young Officials programme which involved our year 5 and 6 pupils being taught how to lead different golf activities. They were shown how to hold the club and hit the

ball, as well as the importance of setting up activities and explaining them correctly. Each pair then had the chance to set up and try different fun golfing activities in preparation for the afternoons competition.

After lunch we had teams of year 3 and 4 pupils arrive ready to play! Under the watchful eyes of Brad from Chippenham Golf club, and the SSCO's, our young leaders did themselves proud and organised a really effective, and more importantly fun afternoon of golf! Each team were given points for the stations they were on which were added up at the end!





All Active and Talent Team trip to Bath University



This is the highly awaited follow up event to the All Active and Talent Team mornings that happened last term. Pupils from across our school met excitedly in the coach park ready to travel across to Bath University. The facilities at Bath are incredible and our pupils were both amazed and inspired as they walked around the prestigious Sports Village.

After a quick introduction by Bath Universities Jess Clements, our groups were then led on a rotation of activities including trampolining, team building, fitness testing and badminton.

One of the elite athletes came to give a talk to our pupils about their career, and give an idea about their training schedule, diet and how they are achieving success on their sporting journey.

Overall, the pupils seemed to have a fun day out, trying different activities and making new friends from other schools.





Chippenham Games



The Chippenham Sports Partnership were incredibly proud to organise this event, which was the 10th anniversary of the Chippenham Games this year. This two-day event involves nearly 500 year 6 pupils from local primary schools and gives them the opportunity to take part in a range of exciting activities. The Games started with an opening ceremony where pupils paraded behind a samba band, before hearing an inspirational speech from the headteachers from Sheldon, Abbeyfield and Hardenhuish. The children were fortunate this year to also have guest speakers Mike Rose Wiltshire Council and Alison Edgar MBE.

The 10 activities on offer included a climbing wall, laser shooting, archery, touckball, indie boarding and short golf. The Chippenham Games are a fantastic way for year 6 pupils to leave their comfort zones and take on different challenges. They also have the chance to meet children from other schools who will be attending their chosen secondary school. It was great to see so many year 6's starting the day as strangers, but leaving as friends. Of all of the many events run by the Chippenham Sports Partnership, the Games are one of the highlights of the year, and this year's certainly didn't disappoint!



"Thank you so much for making the Chippenham Games happen, it has been a delight to see our YR6 children having so much fun and meeting new friends after such a hard couple of years with no contact with friends and not being able to attend these wonderful large events"





Para Games

Our last event of the year was one filled with fun – the Para Games. We welcomed Silverwood School to the Games and loved seeing all of the excited faces as they came in. Each class had their own colour t shirt, with groups named with a royal theme in celebration of this years jubilee.

Each group rotated around each station and got the chance to try target games, parachute, gym ball challenges as well as using the New age Kurling equipment. The sports hall quickly became a hive of activity and the pupils did themselves proud. In the words of one of the Silverwood teachers “Everyone was buzzing when we got back to school and it was just a great morning all round!” We certainly had fun too! Thank you to all of the pupils, staff and parents who came to support this event!



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Looking Ahead...

Next term sees the start of another year filled with exciting events. There are some new events for this academic year which we look forward to sharing with each of the schools PLT's in September!

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Chippenham Sports Partnership throughout this year – we are looking forward to more fun in 2022-23!

*Never, ever underestimate
the importance of having fun!*

Randy Travis



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