



Chippenham Sports Partnership News

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Welcome to a new year!

It was so lovely to meet with for our first PLT meeting of the year. It was especially great to welcome some of our new PLT's – we really look forward to getting to know them!

As usual we had the chance to talk through the year at a glance, and look forward to all of the events that pupils will get the chance to experience throughout the year. It was really beneficial to discuss what might work best and how events would run most smoothly.

As part of this PLT meeting we were lucky enough to have some fantastic guests including Rachel Bone, who challenged the group to consider how we make sport more inclusive to all. Andy Steckbeck shared information about some CPD opportunities, as well as some interesting football projects on offer. It was fantastic to see Paul Harvey from Stanley Park share the video from the Chippenham Games (what a lovely time we had!)

Our final guest was Jax Dance, who shared information which may help schools for the upcoming dance festival. She then put us through our paces by teaching staff a fun dance routine, which was great fun, although not always in time!



Mini Mudder

What a fantastic start to the Chippenham Sports Calendar with over 130 year 3 and 4's taking to the field to have a go at some of our Mini Mudder challenges. Whether it was rolling down hill, crawling over cargo nets, climbing over boxes or avoiding the dodgeball gauntlet, all pupils showed enthusiasm and got involved. Whilst there wasn't quite as much mud as in previous years, pupils did have to dodge the Sports Leaders (and inflatable horse) spraying water around – although secretly I think a lot enjoyed getting wet!

Overall it was a lovely event and so nice to welcome some of our schools back to events!





Multi Skills Festival Year 1 and 2



Friday 14th saw nearly 200 pupils arrive excitedly for their first multi skills of the year! With over 20 stations of fun filled activities we watched the year 1 and 2 pupils throw bean bags into targets, jump over hurdles and play different games with the parachute. It was so lovely to see everyone having fun and throwing themselves into each of the stations! The energy levels were high with pupils trying to challenge themselves at each stage.

A multi skills event focuses on developing agility, balance and co-ordination – and most importantly, having fun!





Young Officials



This course is a fantastic way for pupils to develop their leadership skills through the sport of netball and football. Each group were asked to reflect on the qualities they feel it is important that leaders should have, as well as what specific equipment they need.

After going through some of the basic rules and being armed with whistles both groups were given the opportunity to put their skills into practice. The Partnership provided yellow T shirts to each pupil, as part of their umpiring uniform, and to help make them stand out in their leadership role.

It was fantastic to see so many students improve their knowledge of netball/football rules and positions and start developing leadership skills which are so important in many aspects of life. In total approx. 40 pupils completed the course and are now CSP Young Netball/football officials!

The netball YOs went on to officiate at the 1.5 netball festival in the afternoon where they put into effect what they had learned.

Congratulations to all involved!

Netball 1.5

On Friday 7th October we hosted a 1.5 netball festival. It allowed all of the netball Young Officials who had spent the morning learning how to umpire, to practise their skills and it also enabled lots of children who never usually get the chance to play in a school team to compete in a friendly festival. This event was all about participation and giving everyone an opportunity to experience the thrill and enjoyment of playing in a team. All those who took part had a great afternoon in the sunshine. Well done to the players, the umpires and of course all the staff who accompanied them!



Multi Skills Year 3 and 4



After a week of rain, we were fortunate to have blue skies ready for our year 3 and 4 multi skills event. Approximately 180 pupils attended and had the chance to try various activities to develop their agility, balance and co-ordination as shown below:

Target throw	Hurdles	Beanbag balance
Tennis	Football Shooting	Clock Balance
Steal the treasure	Dance	Parachute games
Balance boards	Skittles	Dice game
Freeze game	Polar express	Basketball throw
Snakes and ladders	Hoop target throw	Tunnel ball

As always it was great to see the level of enthusiasm and teamwork from each of the pupils attending. The most important objective for a multi skills is that everyone has fun – and looking at the number of smiles we think this was achieved!

Footie 4 Fun!



Our annual Footie 4 Fun event is always one to look forward to, and we are really lucky to be able to use the astro at Stanley Park. Footie for fun saw 200 pupils come along to try a range of activity stations to develop their football skills. Watching everyone dribbling around cones, working on their agility and managing to shoot lots of goals (past the Sports Leaders GKs!) was great to see. The event also achieved the most important objective; to have FUN!



L2 Football Tournament

Whilst we love an exciting event, we were also hoping for a little less drama than last year's festival! Thankfully whilst the event still had lots of engagement, high levels of participation and amazing teamwork, we were saved from the experience of penalty shootouts! Each team was placed into 3 pools with the top 2 going through to the next round. The standard of football was high, with some excellent runs down the pitch, great crosses, fantastic goals (and also some outstanding saves!)

We were fortunate to have both Paul Harvey from Stanley Park and Ian Burchnall from Forest Green Rovers present the medals to the winners.

Results:

Small Schools winner – Lacock

Small Schools runners up – St Peters

Girls winners – Monkton Park

Large Schools winners – Queens Crescent

Large Schools runners up – Derry Hill

Well done to all involved and good luck to those who have made it through to the next round!





New Age Kurling

It's always lovely to see lots of enthusiastic young people ready to come and have a go at something new. The event started with everyone having a go at some practise activities trying to knock a stone off the mat, and trying to aim to get the stone through mini gates.

Once the practise run was over each team got to take part in a tournament, although the main emphasis was on doing your best and having fun. It was great to see so many of the children grow in confidence as the tournament went on; their progress really was fantastic! One girl had been struggling to get her stone to land on the mat, however towards the final games her perseverance paid off and she landed it right on the middle target – maximum points! The excitement when points were won was felt across the entire sports hall, helping to create a really enjoyable atmosphere.

The final results were:

1st – St Peters

2nd – Frogwell

3rd – Kings Lodge

4th and 5th – Frogwell

Well done to everyone involved!



Girls Footie 4 Fun!

Another fun football themed event, but this time with the emphasis on trying to encourage some of the girls within our partnership schools to get involved! Once again our Sports Leaders set up a range of challenging station to help develop dribbling, passing and shooting!

It was lovely to see the high energy from everyone involved, and as usual all of the children attending were fantastic!

Christmas Multi Skills

When you put on a reception and year 1 event, you always know its going to be something special – especially when you then throw in some Christmas magic!

Despite the freezing conditions over 200 pupils all excitedly got off their coaches and made their way to the astro to meet their festively dressed Sports Leaders! Some of the fun activities included 'Whats the time Mr Elf?', "Pin the peg on Elsa" and "Steal the Presents"



At the end of the event there were lots of smiles and high 5's which was great to see! We look forward to seeing this cohort over the next few years as they try out more of the events we have on offer!



Crazy, Crunchy, Christmas Cross **Country**

Twelve local primary schools joined us for one of the most exciting events of the year – the Christmas Cross Country! Lots of pupils had worn their Christmas jumpers, decorated themselves with tinsel and adorned themselves in other jolly accessories – we loved all the sparkle!

The event started with a welcome visit from the ultimate Festive VIP...Father Christmas! We also had help from his 2 helpful reindeers, and a whole host of other festive leaders to motivate our runners.

A highlight was then seeing over 700 pupils and teachers join in with the 12 Days of Christmas, where we all sang the song together doing a different festive action for each day!

As each school made their way excitedly to the start line and were sent on their way by Father Christmas, the field was filled with a happy line of runners making their way round the course, before finishing in the tinsel funnel.

After all their efforts pupils then made their way to the refreshments where they were given hot chocolate and marshmallows – judging from their reactions this was a favourite part of the day for them!

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came and joined us, and for all of their enthusiasm – what a perfect way to start our Christmas celebrations!







Term 3 and 4

We would like to thank all of you so much for getting involved in so many events so far this year! It really is nice to be back.

Term 3 and 4 looks to be even more exciting – especially as we have one of our flagship events – the DANCE FESTIVAL!

We look forward to seeing more of the young people of Chippenham at an event soon!

