Newton Hill Community School's Sports Newsletter



March 2018



Welcome to the second edition of Newton Hill Community School's Sports Newsletter. There has been plenty going on at school so read on to find out more!



Children across school have been learning a number of new skills with our PE coaches, *Mr Goddard* and *Mr Bamford*. They have taken part in lessons that have taught them about leadership and teamwork whilst practising their ball skills in a range of different games such as football and basketball. We have also run our first Breakfast Club for EYFS and KS1 children where they played different sporting games, solved thinking problems and got active before school started!





Lunchtime Leaders

Children from year 5 and 6 have been working together on a lunchtime to lead a number of different sports and activities on the playground. Mr Ward from Change4Life has been in to train up our Junior Physical Activity Champions where we looked at ways to lead, communication and how to organise enjoyable games for children of all ages.





Tournaments

It was a busy half term for a number of our KS2 children! A group of year 5 and 6 children went to Outwood Grange to compete in a Sports Hall Athletics tournament where we finished second by just 2 points!

8 of our Year 4 children took part in a dodgeball day in Castleford where they practised their skills, discussed important sporting values and they even got to throw some dodgeballs at the teachers! Out of 15 schools who entered, we managed to get to the quarter finals of the afternoon competition.





For our Aspirations Week – Day 1 Newton Hill Community School welcomed



Elliott Ward and Kate Offord

On day one of our Aspirations week Monday 26th March 2018, Mr Sharp introduced Kate Offord and Elliott Ward in the school in assembly. Mr Sharp invited the children to guess what sports Kate and Elliott did. After guessing their sports, the students asked various questions regarding the sports, training kit and lifestyles of Kate and Elliott. Following assembly Kate and Elliott visited Year 5 and KS1 (Nursery to Year 2). The students asked Kate and Elliott various questions about how they came to do the sports they now love and what kinds of food they eat and their training regime. The children also discussed the sports they did which included football, horse-riding, gymnastics, karate, dancing, rugby to name a few. Kate and Elliott encouraged the children to participate in and take up all sports offered to them both in school and by local clubs. They told the children that playing sports was a great way to meet new friends as well as gaining a love for a particular sport, keeping healthy and having fun along the way. They explained to the children how many of the friends they had made doing their various sports, where still their friends to this day. Proving that through sport you can also make lifelong friendships. They also spoke to the children about the different food types and what benefits healthy eating and exercise can have to keep everyone fit and well! The children were enthusiastic in their questioning and discussions. Kate and Elliott really enjoyed their visit to Newton Hill and said how they really enjoyed meeting all the wonderful children and enjoyed the warm welcome they received. Thank you Kate and Elliott for giving up your time to visit our school and inspire our children.











PE Kit reminder:

Both indoor and outdoor kits must be in school every day. A white t-shirt with shorts/bottoms must be worn. If your child fails to turn up with the correct PE kit then a letter will be sent home.



Dates for the diary:

Term 2b clubs:

Mondays – Chess club with Mr Paine for KS2

Wednesdays – Key Stage 1 Multi sports with Xcite Sports (Mr Goddard)

Key Stage 2 Multi Sports Lunchtime Club with Mr Goddard

Thursdays – **Key Stage 2 Morning Club** with Mr Bamford

Key Stage 1 Multi Sports Lunchtime Club with Mr Bamford

14th **March** - Year 6 hockey vs St John's

15th March – Year 4 football vs St John's

22nd March – Year 5 tag rugby vs St John's

28th March – Year 3 benchball vs St John's

20th **April** Outdoor Wilderness Festival – group of Year 5 and 6 children

Other tournaments are being organised throughout the next term. Your children will be given letters informing you of the dates when they are confirmed.