

Sports News



**Red Rose
Autumn
2024**



Schools Sports Partnership (SSP) Festivals

We use some of our sports budget to buy into our local Schools Sports Partnership. They provide a range of festivals, competitions and special events throughout the year alongside training and curriculum support for staff.

The first sports festival of the year was attended by Galaxy class.

- **Galaxy Year 3** attended the **Tri Golf** festival. They had a go at pitching and putting. The sports partnership hopes to inspire the next generation

of golfers. The children certainly enjoyed the experience.



- We were fortunate to be able to take all the **Year 4s** and **Year 1s** to the **Gymnastics** festival at Durham City Club. Trying different rolls and using bouncy tracks and balance beams.
- **Y2** looked amazing dressed in their favourite spooky outfits for the spectacular **Sporty Halloween** festival.
- We held our own mini festival in PE with music and themed games. We started with some spooky dancing, zombie dashing and ghost bowling before finishing off with a pumpkin rolling relay.
- The SSP brought an **Archery** lesson to our school with Y4 and Y5 developing their firing skills. The children listened well and I was proud of their positive attitude to trying something new and challenging.

SSP Competitions

24 children from Y5/6 represented the school in **Sports Hall Athletics** progressing through to the final. Well done to everyone who took part, you really were a pleasure to support.

After missing the **Basketball** competition last year due to snow, the weather allowed us a break between storms to walk down to Park View to take part in a local schools' tournament. We were lucky enough to be able to take 2 teams. We scored lots of baskets and demonstrated great teamwork. Our older team got through to the final and were narrowly beaten in the last minute. An exciting tournament to watch! We ran an open basketball club for Y5/6 with the kind help of Mrs Holmes and loved seeing how much the children enjoyed the sport.

Basketball Taster Session

Children in Y4-5 were fortunate to take part in a basketball taster session with Anthony who runs Shooting Stars Basketball (info below). The children loved the dribbling skill games and shooting tips. Hopefully Anthony will be able to visit again to inspire the younger children in the new year.



SHOOTING STARS BASKETBALL

ELITE COACHING IN NORTH DURHAM

6 Pelton Community Centre <i>Pelton DH2 1DE</i>	Monday Years 1-3: 5-6pm Years 4-6: 6-7pm
6 Marley Hill Community Centre <i>Sunnyside NE16 5DW</i>	Tuesday Years 1-3: 5-6pm
6 Park View School <i>Lombard Drive, Chester le Street DH3 4BB</i>	Wednesday Years 1-3: 5-6pm Years 4-6: 6-7pm
6 Lanchester Croft View Hall <i>Lanchester DH7 9HY</i>	Thursday Years 1-3: 5-6pm Years 4-6: 6-7pm

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**SHOOTING STARS
BASKETBALL**

ELITE COACHING & DEVELOPMENT

Led by former
Newcastle Eagles
Primary Age
Specialist, Anthony
Forrester

Qualified, experienced
and highly specialised
age group Coach!

Cross Country

We took 40 children from across KS2 to the area cross country race and fun run in October. We had 4 teams of 6 (Y3/4 & Y5/6 boys and girls) in the competitive races and 16 children in the fun run.

Although we always want sport and PE to be fun, sometimes the feelings of satisfaction can be delayed as the children gave blood, sweat and tears doing their best. A special mention to Eleanor who fell, got back up and

completed the race with a wounded knee. Fantastic determination! And then the rain came. Well done to **Max** who was 1st, **Gracie** - 2nd, **Matthew** - 5th, and **Maisie, Isla** and **Henry** who made the top 10.



The **Y3/4 girls** and **Y5/6 boys** teams, along with **Matthew, Lucy** and **Beth** as individuals, qualified for the **County Race** and represented Chester le Street. In the Y3/4 race **Gracie** just missed out on a medal placing 4th and **Max** placed 6th in the Y5/6 race. The boys were ecstatic to come away with silver medals too!



What impressed me the most was how every child raced their best race, never giving up despite competing against the fastest in the county.

The Y6 **Netball** league was great fun with the girls showing determination to do their best even forgoing their school disco. Many thanks to our supportive parents who helped us field 2 teams. Mrs Taylor was chief coach

and ran training sessions for any Y4, 5 or 6 girls interested ably assisted by Miss Thorpe. Y5's will have their turn in the summer term.

Miss Johnson coached the **mixed football team** competing in the football league. Mr Ross coached the **Girls Football** and they have enjoyed working as a team with increasing success. Matches return later in the year.

Tag Rugby was postponed to the Spring term but we enjoyed training at the Tag club at lunch time.

School News

We have gained the Gold Sainsbury Schools Games Mark again. This is a whole school achievement recognising our commitment to our intra- and inter- school competitions, PE provision and our after school sports clubs.



- Did you know that it's recommended that children are active for **60** minutes every day, with 30 minutes occurring in school?
- Across school we are continuing to work towards this with active playtimes, lunch times and daily mile movement breaks.

- In PE, KS1 & Early Years have been building on key skills of fundamental movement, gymnastics and catching and throwing.
- Y3/4 and Y5/6 have been building up their gymnastics skills and working together to create sequences. They have both been enjoying learning the skills of basketball and fitting them into mini matches.
- We have held intra competitions (competitions within classes) in Cross Country and Tag Rugby in KS2.

Santa Run



Thank you for your support with our Santa fun run. The children looked very festive as they leapt over the tinsel roof tops, bounced on bouncy baubles and dodged the snow balls from Santa's naughty elves. A big thank you to all our Y6s who helped with running the event. From amazing warm up routines, to high fives they were really fantastic at making it a memorable Christmas event for the whole school. Even the Grinch's heart was melted and was often seen chatting with the younger children asking them about their Christmas lists. Without their help we wouldn't have been able to run the event.

In the Spring Term

We're looking forward to competing in the following events:

- **KS2 Cross Country** local league
Saturday mornings 10am. All keen Y5/6 are welcome. Free event.

18th January Bullion School
25th January Ouston School
1st February Rickleton School

- Swimming gala
- Tag Rugby SSP competition
- Dance festival
- Bear Hunt festival



Inspired? Join a club!

Below are just a selection of some of the local clubs that I know children go to presently or have done in the past. We don't have any formal links with these clubs so it is up to parents to research and assess if they are appropriate for your child.

- Basketball- All Stars Y4- Y7 (Pelton)
- Basket- Little ballers 18 months and up (Durham based)
- Netball- Vixens- Chester Le Street or Durham Palatinates.
- Football- Hilda Park, Chester le Street Walldridge- mixed.
- Girls football- Amazons
- Rugby- Durham, Houghton le Spring and Consett.
- Swimming- Chester le Street ASC, Durham ASC and Derwentside ASC
- Athletics- Chester le Street AC, Durham AC, Phoenix Flyers and Birtley AC.
- Park Run is a great way of keeping fit. Every Sunday, 9am at Riverside Park, Chester le Street. To register for free go to www.parkrun.org.uk/riverside-juniors/

Isla has been trampolining (as well as dancing!) and was proud to medal in her first competition. Good luck in the next round.



Maisie was picked to play on the district team. Excellent new Maisie.

Well done to Callum who also qualified for the district but unfortunately missed some time due to being injured but is back playing and looking forward to more matches in the New Year.

Our Sporting Stars!



What sports do you enjoy?

Keep us updated with your activities and certificates to share in our celebration assembly.

We are a **SILVER** Rights Respecting School.



Article 24
The right to health.

Article 27
The right to a good standard of living.

Article 29
Education must develop children's personality, talents and abilities.