

Sports News



Red Rose Autumn 1 2025



Year 1 Halloween pumpkin rolling and ghost bowling



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 hosted by Red Rose and was attended by other local schools and our Year 3s.

- **Year 3** attended the **Tri Golf** festival. They had a go at pitching and

putting. The sports partnership along with some of our Y6 Sports crew helping to deliver the activities. 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.
- Y1 and 2 welcomed Caitlin into school to deliver a football skills festival. She was helped by some of our Y6 sports crew.
- Y4 have participated in Bee Netball coaching sessions every week by the SSP coach Darren. Some children were lucky enough to then go on and take part in a netball festival.

SSP Competitions

Cross Country

We took 25 children from across KS2 to the area cross country race in October. We had 4 teams of 6 (Y3/4 & Y5/6 boys and girls) in the competitive races.

The sun was shining upon us this year which made a change! This meant the running was on firm grass and a pleasant introduction to cross country to the youngest members of our team.

Well done to **Rory** who was 1st, **Gracie** - 2nd, **Matthew** - 5th, and **Maisie, Isla** and **Henry** who made the top 10.

All of the teams qualified for the **County Race** which was unfortunately cancelled due to an inclement weather forecast. We are hoping for it to be re-scheduled early next term.

The Y6 **Netball** league was great fun with the girls showing determination to do their best. Our A team came 4th and our B team finished 3rd in their respective leagues. We were so proud of the progress that all the girls have shown over the last year. Good luck to the Y6 girls for next year and hope you continue to play at your new schools.

Many thanks to our supportive parents who helped us field 2 teams. Mrs Taylor was chief coach and ran training sessions for any Y5 or 6 girls interested. Y5's league will be in Summer Term 1 and we will invite any Y4 girls who are interested in learning the game to come along.

Miss Maynard and 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.

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 developing key skills of fundamental movement.
- Y3/4 and Y5/6 have been building up their athletic skills as well as

refreshing their tag rugby game playing.

- We have held intra competitions (competitions within classes) in Cross Country and Tag Rugby in KS2.

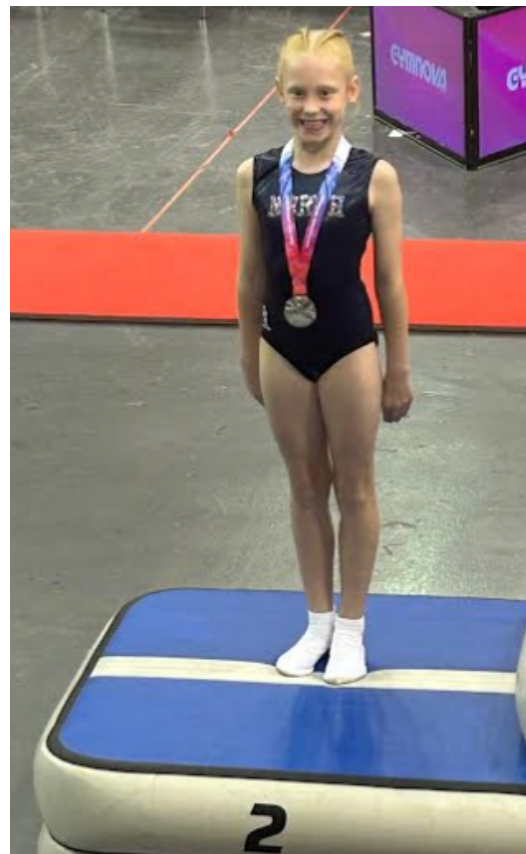
In Autumn 2

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

- Swimming gala
- Basketball competition
- Basketball festival



Sporting Stars!



Congratulations to **Isla** who is **National Silver medal winner** in the British trampoline finals. An amazing achievement!



Well done to **Joshua** who is building on his gymnastic and tumbling skills and has been accepted into the Elmhurst Young Associate Programme - part of the Birmingham Royal Ballet.



Theo and Henry had an excellent swimming gala for Chester le Street Swim club. They both won several medals and have qualified in 50 and 200m breaststroke for the Northumberland and Durham County Championships in February. This is a massive achievement, as they have both qualified in the 10/11 year old age bracket!



Well done to Erin who attended the Durham Boys and Girls Club celebration evening. She collected awards for U11 girls team cross country and athletics winners, U11 girls' 4x100m relay and U11 girls sprint winner.



Lacey and her pony Winston had their dressage champion which they have been competing and getting points for the league. Lacey decided to up her game and do two prelim level dressage leagues.

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.

- Basket- Little ballers 18 months and up (Durham based)
- Netball- Vixens- Chester Le Street or Durham Palatinates.
- Football- Hilda Park, Chester le Street Waldrige- 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/

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.