

SPORTS NEWS

Inter House Basketball/Netball a Huge Success

Just before the end of last half term, the whole school participated in our annual inter house basketball/netball tournament. Despite a damp start to the day, the rain subsided leaving us with just enough playable space for the tournament to proceed. Reception took part in a very exciting shooting contest, while year 1 & 2 participated in a hotly contested speed passing relay and year 3-6 played in a mini tournament, seeing a total of 24 matches (6 per year group) played across the afternoon's action. After an intense afternoon of exciting, competitive and yet inclusive sporting action the results were as follows:

INTER HOUSE NETBALL/BASKETBALL RESULTS:

YEAR GROUP	Dragon	Pegasus	Gryphon	Phoenix
Reception	9	8	5	11
1	2	7	1	7
2	3	3	6	6
3	9	3	0	6
4	9	6	0	3
5	3	4	9	1
6	9	4	4	0
TOTAL	44	35	25	34

POSITION	HOUSE	POINTS
1st	Dragon	44
2nd	Pegasus	35
3rd	Phoenix	34
4th	Gryphon	25

Year 3 Basketball Festival



On the 5th February, 9 of our finest year 3 athletes ventured across to Redlands Community Sports Hub, to take part in the district basketball festival. An afternoon of passing, shooting, dribbling and teamwork skills proved to be a whole lot of fun and all of the Conifers students (pictured below) participated with a great deal of pride, effort, enthusiasm and ever improving basketball skills - a massive congratulations to everybody involved!

'Let Girls Play' National Football Festival



On Wednesday 6th March schools right across the nation participated in the Biggest Football festival the country had ever seen. Our area's venue was the 4G pitches at Budmouth for a day of football skills, drills and friendly competition. The event was a massive success and our girls (pictured) had a most excellent time honing their footballing skills. I wonder who will become our future football star - you all have the potential to be...

West Dorset Dance Competition

Last Thursday night saw the inaugural West Dorset Dance Competition at Budmouth. Primary and Secondary Schools from across the local area descended on Budmouth's beautifully lit performance space for an evening of expertly choreographed and executed dancing and our dance team certainly did not disappoint. In fact, they could not have danced better. Dancing to 'Ocean Eyes' by Billie Eilish our students had spent weeks working on their 'Eco Themed' performance and entered the stage showing little signs of nerves and beaming with an assured



confidence. Their dance could not have gone better with Sunny C (the destroyer of the environment) outstandingly somersaulting and tumbling across the stage as our ocean of balletic graceful dancers (Daisy K, Phoebe R, Alyssa B, Maisie S & Daria R) moved elegantly around him trying to persuade him to clean up his act and stop polluting our oceans a mission they succeed in doing as the dance came to its epic aesthetically outstanding conclusion - there was no other dance in the competition where the storytelling and coherence to the theme were so on point! With eight highly qualified dance judges on the panel scoring each dance out of 20,

all our team could do now was sit, wait and hope they had done enough...

After a tense wait, the final scores were announced and our dancers came a very creditable second place overall only 2 marks behind the overall winners, St Johns - awesome job everybody. Also, a massive thank you must go to Miss Bament for giving up her time to assist our dancers with the choreography and accompanying them backstage on the night and also to Mrs Chambers in her role as costume designer.

DISTRICT INDOOR ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Tuesday 26th March, 12 Conifers athletes (pictured) headed off to Atlantic Academy for the District Indoor Athletics Championships. They competed in a variety of field events from Chest Push to Standing Long Jump, Javelin Throw to Standing Triple Jump, Speed Bounce to Vertical Jump and all of them performed admirably in every event they entered. When it came to all the sprint races and relays, we totally obliterated all the competition coming first in all but two of the 10 races competed in. As we waited for the results to be announced, hopes were high that we had procured overall victory. But unfortunately, it was not our day. Wyke Regis narrowly pipped us to overall victory after a very strong showing in all of the field events. Congratulations to Wyke who will go on to represent the District at the County Finals and well done to everybody for your most impressive 2nd place performance overall.

