



# Newsletter



June 2015

Welcome to the June edition of the Chester School Sport Partnership Newsletter. We have had a busy start to this last half term with a competition every week. Thank you to all the schools that have taken part in our events, and to the staff that have attended the CPD sessions.

**Lost property:** we do have a selection of clothing items that we have collected after some of our events this year which have been left behind by the children. Please contact us should you wish to claim anything. At the end of the school year any unclaimed items will be given to charity.

The Swimming Programme is nearly completed and we would like to thank the schools for helping to support the children from their schools to develop this valuable life skill.

The Cheshire and Warrington Summer School Games takes place on Wednesday 8th July at Macclesfield Sports Centre and Fallibroome High School. We would like to wish all the teams representing Chester the best of luck in your competitions and we hope that you have a fantastic experience. Thank you in advance to the three Young Ambassadors from Blacon High School who will continue with their excellent work as Young Ambassadors at this event. Also to the leaders from Upton-by-Chester High School that will be supporting the Tri-golf competition.

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## School Games Mark

The Sainsbury's School Games Mark is a Government led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community.

The application window for the 2014-2015 School Games Mark is now open!

The Sainsbury's School Games team have produced a supporting document to guide schools through the application. <https://www.yourschoolgames.com/school-games-mark>. This is an annual award, so if your school achieved a School Games Mark last year, you will still need to apply again.

Please have a look at the School Games website for more information. If you need any assistance in applying for the award, please contact Elizabeth Newstead to arrange a visit to go through the criteria.

Once you have all the supporting information, the on-line application will only take a short time to complete.

The application window for the 2014/5 award will run through until Wednesday 30th September 2015.

**Congratulations to The Firs School and Saughall All Saints Primary School who have already submitted their applications for this year.**

**Both schools achieved Silver last year and have now been awarded Gold. Congratulations!!**



## Year 5&6 Quad Kids Athletics Competition

On Thursday 4th June Blacon High School hosted the year 5&6 quad kids athletics competition. Thirteen school teams took part in the event, involving 104 participants. Each child took part on a rotation around four different athletic events: 75m sprint, 600m run, standing long jump and the vortex howler throw. In each discipline the participant's time / distance is recorded and inputted onto a computer system where points are allocated towards the team score. The team with the highest total number of points is then declared the winner.

Reigning Sportshall Athletics Champions, Saughall All Saints Primary School (pictured right) won the Quad Kids Athletics event with a staggering score of 1486 points. In second place was Waverton Community Primary School with 1383 points, and in third place was Cherry Grove Primary School with 1359 points.

In the 'B' Competition, Waverton Community Primary School (pictured bottom) won with 1161 points, Highfield Community Primary School were second with 1077 points and in third place was Cherry Grove Primary School with 1022 points.

Congratulations to all the school teams that took part in the event. Thank you also to Judith Gilmour and the coaches from CEPD for their help in judging the events, and the staff and leaders from Blacon High School.

Saughall All Saints Primary School will now represent Chester at the Cheshire and Warrington Summer School Games on 8th July in Macclesfield.





## Year 5&6 Kwik Cricket Competitions

On Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th June Boughton Hall Cricket Club hosted the Year 5&6 Kwik Cricket Competitions in glorious sunshine. In total we had 35 school teams taking part in the 'A', 'B' and Girls Cricket events, involving 307 participants.

In the 'A' Competition the four semi finalists were Kelsall, St Oswalds, Saughall All Saints and Overleigh. The competition was very close between these four strong teams and Overleigh and St Oswalds played well but missed out to stronger teams on the day. Kelsall retained their title as Champions against Saughall All Saints, however both teams will represent Chester at the county final in Warrington in July.



In the 'B' Competition we had 15 teams take part, with Newton, Cherry Grove, Barrow and Saughall All Saints winning their pools to reach the semi-finals. Barrow and Newton won their semi-finals in fine form to play in a tough final. It was a very close and tense match, with Barrow batting well, however Newton won the game with some great cricketing skills.



In the Girls Competition, 8 teams took part with Saughall All Saints and Christleton both winning their pools to play in the final. Again this was a very tense match which came down to the last couple of overs, with Christleton winning the competition. Both teams (pictured below) will represent Chester at the county final in Warrington.

Many thanks to Boughton Hall Cricket Club for hosting the events, the facilities are a great inspiration to the young cricketers. Also thank you to Owen Williamson from Cheshire Cricket Board for his help on the day and also to Judith Gilmour and her coaches for umpiring the matches.



## Year 5&6 Kwik Cricket Competitions cont'd



Winners of the 'B' competition Newton Primary School.

A great summer's day for cricket.





## Year 3&4 Mini Red Tennis Competition

Glan Aber Tennis Club hosted the Year 3&4 Mini Red Tennis Competition on Wednesday 24th June. Eleven school teams took part in the doubles competition.

In the 'A' competition Overleigh St Mary's CE Primary School and Waverton Community Primary School both won the same number of games, therefore the overall result went down to points scored, with Overleigh winning by just 2 points. Saughall All Saints Primary School finished in 3rd place. Overleigh will now represent Chester at the Level 3 Summer School Games in Macclesfield.



In the 'B' competition Waverton Community Primary School won 9 of their 10 matches to win the event. In 2nd place was Overleigh St Mary's CE Primary School and in 3rd place was Boughton Heath Primary School.

Well done to all the schools that took part in the event and thank you to the coaches and teachers for umpiring, and Glan Aber for the excellent facilities.



## Year 5&6, 7 Orienteering Competition

Deeside Orienteering Club hosted the Year 5&6, and 7 Orienteering Competition on Thursday 25th June at The Catholic High School. Sixteen school teams took part in the Year 5&6 event, and Catholic High School took part in the year 7 event. The children had to navigate their way around 17 orienteering points within a time limit of 20 minutes. The school that was able to visit all 17 points in the fastest time were declared the winners. The results are as follows:

1st—Mickle Trafford A, 2nd—Overleigh St Mary's A, 3rd—Cherry Grove B, 4th—Acresfield A, 5th—Mill View B

The Mickle Trafford Primary School team will now represent Chester schools at the Level 3 School Games in Macclesfield on the 8th July.

The Catholic High School team finished in a very fast time, and will automatically qualify for the Level 3 School Games county final.

Thank you to Jane Mockford from Deeside Orienteering Club, and also Hayley Waites and The Catholic High School for hosting the event.

Good luck to both teams at the county final.



## Cherry Grove SSOC Case Study—Written by Mr Jones

Young leadership in sport had been on our schools to-do list for some time but hadn't seemed either achievable or sustainable. We had tried play leaders and play buddy type schemes but this, even with the most enthusiastic of teachers and lunch time assistants supporting them, had faded out and the children had lost interest.

Over the past 2 academic years, it felt like something had changed. We have been working on a daily basis through PE lessons, clubs and enrichment to raise the profile of sport and PE and we believe this was the missing link – an ethos where sport and competition was a high priority for children and staff.

We now found it difficult to choose children to attend the Bronze Ambassador's course because there were so many to choose from. Candidates were chosen and after attending their training day they came back charged and ready to go. They were desperate to achieve the targets that were set for them. With the help of Judith Gilmour, they delivered an assembly to inspire our other pupils to get involved. They sent out application forms for children to 'apply' for a place on their all new School Sports Organising Crew (S.S.O.C.). With help from the PE leadership team candidates were shortlisted and pupils were hired! We have 10 S.S.O.C.'s and 2 Bronze Ambassadors that make up the full crew. Initially, for our first year of being, we selected only pupils from Year 3 – 6 with plans to extend this next year. Their roles are varied and they decided as a crew that they wanted to be able to exchange roles regularly so everyone gets to experience all aspects of the crew from refereeing and score keeping to reporting and photographing.

We meet regularly when time allows and when it doesn't they chat to me informally and organise themselves. The Crew assist in many of the day to day aspects of PE and sport at school. They are the eyes and ears on the playground and have been the driving force for changes at break times that have improved behaviour and fairness. They wanted to try girls only football day to encourage more girls to get involved and this has been a huge success. They have helped reform the break time rota to make it fairer to all age groups. They have made suggestions for how the PE curriculum could be changed to include a wider range of sports and are a constant source of support for our teams entering competition. They have regularly accompanied our sports teams to help coach, support, photograph and report on our ever increasing success. Our school recognises their input and importance with both the high amount time they allow them for crew activities and the regular praise they receive in celebration assemblies for the activities they have helped with. Offering them a budget has been difficult, especially in a year that we have very much considered it a test year. This has not fazed them. They have been happy to be resourceful and creative with what is already available.



## Cherry Grove SSOC Case Study cont'd

The culmination of the year was their ALL IN! Intra-School Sports competition. They made their own SSOC T-shirts for the events, selected activities and sports to suit the age, ability and physical abilities of each group of children taking part. With the help of some other children that they selected, they refereed, timed, scored and coached over 250 pupils with almost no support from adults. They dealt confidently with issues and were supportive throughout both to competitors and to the additional 30 children who they asked to be involved in leading.

We have had grand plans over the course of the year and with the best will in the world, we haven't been able to stick to them. But what we have had is inspired children who have been prepared to help work around the limitations of school life and budgets to make the most of a fun and exciting role in our school. They have genuinely helped to guide and support sport and have helped to raise the profile of PE right throughout the school.

To finish our year, they will help choose our next ambassadors and decide if they would like to stay on the crew or give someone else a turn. They will then choose replacements for our Year 6 children who are leaving and are even planning an award ceremony to celebrate the sporting successes of our pupils.

Next year we plan to increase the funding they receive from the Sport Premium and this will allow them to budget to run competitions and give prizes etc. They will have an increased role in organising events as we build up our Olympic based topic throughout the year. We want them to be even more visible and have even more input in to leading play and leading the curriculum. We want them to be the genuine voice of the pupils. We have a number of sponsored events plans to raise money for sport at Cherry Grove and the crew will be at the front of organising this. Our motto as a school in PE for next year is "To be leaders in sport". It's our hope that The Crew will be the facilitators of achieving this aspiration.

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## Renew now!



Thank you very much to all the SSP Member Schools this year for your support. We have had another fantastic year full of competitions, CPD sessions, leadership training, swimming programme and much more.

By now all schools will have received their membership package details for 2015-2016 and we hope that you will continue to support the programmes that we have to offer.

Schools that are not current member schools do have the opportunity to be a member school for next year and benefit from the variety of programmes and activities available. If you have not yet seen the package, please contact Claire Smedley for more information.

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## Win Samba Goals!

All SSP Member Schools who have met the criteria below before Friday 10th July will be entered into a prize draw to win a set of Samba Goals.

You must be a member school of Chester School Sport Partnership.

You must apply for the School Games Mark before Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

You must have a Change 4 Life Club or club for inactive children up and running in your school.

You must have a School Sport Organising Crew in your school.

Your school must have been a part of the Bronze Young Ambassador Programme for this academic year.

You must have returned the Sports Partnership Summer Survey.

Act now to be in a chance to win!



## Change 4 Life: A Case Study.



# Primary Change 4 Life Sports Club Overleigh St Mary's CE Primary School

1. **Day and time of the week you run the club?** Club was run on a Monday lunchtime & then a Wednesday lunchtime from 12.30-1.15 each week until recently when Drama & concert rehearsals are taking place.
2. **What theme does the C4L club have?** Creative Games.
3. **What is the year group of the children who attend the club?** Years 5 & 6 Girls only attend these sessions.
4. **What is the average number of children that attend the club each time?** 22 girls average number attend. All the girls in yr6 have attended.
5. **Who is the deliverer and what role do they have?** Jean McCormick the PE Coordinator runs the club.
6. **How many sessions does the club run for?** Club runs all year
7. **How many leaders help to run the club?** Some of yr6 leaders help the yr5s
8. **How have you targeted the group?** I have tried to get all the girls that don't go to sports club to attend. 100% of yr6 have come to at least 3 sessions (a lot of these girls are non competitive!) & the majority of yr5 have been to some sessions too.
9. **Have you included any other activities?** We include a lot of different activities. Those in the bag plus any equipment the girls want & they teach their creative game to the other girls. We also use gym equipment.
10. **Have you seen a change in the children?** The girls love the club as the boys are not there & they gain more confidence & are able to express themselves more.
11. **What percentage of children take part in additional opportunities to be active?** 100% of yr6 & 70% of yr 5s.
12. **What is the number of disabled participants?** 1 disabled pupil
13. **What is the number of level 1 festivals that the school has held?** We have lots all year round in each year group in different sports.
14. **Have you attended a level 2 festival?** no
15. **Has the club made a difference to you?** I feel happy that so many girls have participated in this club.
16. **Is there anything you would do differently?** Next year I will have wheelchair basketball as I now have a contact parent who will bring the wheelchairs.

**Don't forget that there are a variety of different resources that you can download free of charge from the Change 4 Life Sports Club website.**

<http://www.nhs.uk/change4life/pages/sports-clubs.aspx>



## June

### Primary Schools

### Secondary Schools

### Primary & Secondary Schools

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	2	3	4 Year 5&6, 7 Quad Kids Athletics	5
8 CPD— Inclusive PE Course	9	10 Year 5&6 'A' Kwik Cricket Competition	11 Year 5&6 'B' Kwik Cricket and Girls Cricket Competition	12
15	16 School Games Mark Workshop	17 Year 3&4 Mini Red Tennis Competition	18	19
22	23 CPD - Start to Move Course	24	25 Year 4-7 Orienteering Competition	26
29 CPD—Gymnastics Course	30 School Games Workforce Conference			

## July

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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6	7	8 Cheshire & Warrington Summer School Games	9	10
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## Cheshire & Warrington Summer School Games

The Cheshire and Warrington Sainsbury's Summer School Games Festival will be held on Wednesday 8th July at Macclesfield Leisure Centre & Fallibroome High School.

### Events in the Summer School Games with representing teams so far are:

- **Year 3&4, 5&6 Key Steps Gymnastics**—Overleigh St Mary's & Oldfield Primary Schools
- **Year 5&6, 7 Orienteering**— Mickle Trafford & Catholic High School.
- **Year 5&6 Tri Golf**—Christleton Primary School.
- **Inclusive Tri Golf & Inclusive Tennis**—TBC
- **Year 5&6 Quad Kids Athletics**— Saughall All Saints Primary School.
- **Year 7 Quad Kids Athletics**—Tarporley H.S (girls), Upton H.S (boys)
- **Year 3&4 Mini Red Tennis**—Overleigh St Mary's CE Primary School
- **Year 9 Rounders**— TBC
- **Year 7/8 Tennis**—Tarporley High School and The Queens School
- **Year 7/8 Table Tennis**—Blacon High School.





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***'Providing opportunities for every young person to shine'***

## 2015 Rugby World Cup.

The Youth Sport Trust have formed a partnership with the RFU leading up to the 2015 Rugby World Cup. The Rugby World Cup Young Person Programme an exciting programme to engage young people in the tournament and have developed the following strands of work:

- School Collateral Pack. A resource pack centred on the RFU's core values is being designed by teachers for teachers. This resource will be an online tool for teachers to discover new ways of using rugby and Rugby World Cup 2015 to inspire lesson plans, enrichment time, extra-curricular activities and whole school achievement.
- England Rugby Teaching Resource. The resource is an online tool for teachers to discover new ways of using rugby and Rugby World Cup 2015 to inspire lesson plans, enrichment time, extra-curricular activities and whole school achievement.
- School Rugby Ambassadors. This programme will develop young leaders in secondary schools across the country to become School Rugby Ambassadors for Rugby World Cup 2015.

**To find out more about this programme, please follow the link below:**

<http://www.youthsporttrust.org/how-we-can-help/rugby-world-cup-2015.aspx>



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