



Chester SSP



Newsletter



March– May Edition 2016

Welcome to the Summer term edition of the Chester School Sport Partnership newsletter. Once again a huge thanks for your continued support in our events and programmes thus far!

This term we have had a vast array of competitions, projects and courses going on! From the Winter school games county finals to Tri-Golf competitions, Champions day training and more!

Well done to the schools who have signed up to our Run 2 Rio project we have– Delamere and St Martin's Academy, who have all been clocking up their miles. You may also be in for a chance to win some vouchers to spend at Bucaneer Sport. Sign up now see—<http://www.run2rio.org.uk>.

Level 3 Winter School Games County Finals 7-9th March

Chester schools make the finals as they compete in the winter school games county finals competitions from the 7th-9th March 2016.

A successful week of sport for Chester High Schools and Primary Schools in the county finals Winter Games. On Monday 7th March pupils from across Cheshire and Warrington competed in the County level 3 Sportshall Athletics finals at Northgate Arena.

In the morning the Sportshall Athletics went under way for the primary schools. The arena was roaring with cheers and schools were filled with excitement and nerves. The competitions were underway with everyone trying their very best and some very close photo finishes. Congratulations to our Chester Primary school; Overleigh St Mary's who finished in second place, narrowly missing out to first place by just 2 points!

In the afternoon secondary schools competed in the year 7 and year 8 boys and girls athletics finals. The races were once again very close and pupils fought to the finish line. The King's School came in first place in the year 7 boys final and Upton by Chester High School year 8 boys also came in first place in their finals. In the year 7 girls Bishop Heber finished in third place after a very close session. Finally in the year 8 girls finals The King's School finished up in fourth place.

Upton by Chester High School Year 8 Boys Winners



The King's School- Year 7 Boys Winners



Winter Games continued

Meanwhile at Ellesmere Port Sports Village a vast array of other sports were taking place from Inclusive Football, Handball, Mini Volleyball, Basketball and Indoor Rowing to Football. Congratulations to Christleton under 12s girls who won the overall Football finals whilst their under 14s girls team finished in second place. Upton By Chester High school year 7/8 boys won the Handball competitions and the Upton by Chester High year 7/8 girls team finished up in third place taking bronze. In addition to a successful day for Chester Schools; Queens Park High school year 10 boys won the Indoor Rowing finals.

During the inclusive Football our Chester School Deebanks represented Chester and finished up in 5th place! Blacon High school represented Chester in both the girls and boys Volleyball year 10 finals finishing in 3rd place for the boys team and 5th place for the girls team. And finally Catholic High School year 9 boys finished in 4th place in the Basketball finals. Mondays competitions were a success for Chester all round! Congratulations to all teams again.

On Tuesday 8th March at Alderly Edge the Year 5/6 Quick Sticks Hockey county finals took place. Chester schools once again came out on top with The King's School winning first place and Waverton Primary finishing in fourth place. Unfortunately due to poor weather and pitch conditions the Tag Rugby, Girls Rugby and Small Sided Football finals were postponed.

On Wednesday 9th March, The Sir Thomas Boteler Ball Hall in Warrington showcased the final day of the county finals with High 5 Netball and Mini Basketball competitions taking place. Overleigh St Mary's went through to represent Chester in the Mini Basketball county finals, whilst The King's School went through to represent the High 5 Netball finals. Kings fought well and finished in 5th place overall in the High 5 Netball county finals. And Overleigh went onto win the overall finals finishing in first place of the Mini Basketball!

All in all Chester was well represented and our schools fought hard! A successful week of sports competitions and a very big well done to our Chester Schools for their efforts and enthusiasm!

The King's School Winners of Quick Sticks Hockey finals



Waverton School 4th Place Quick Sticks Hockey finals



Overleigh St Mary's Winners of Mini Basketball finals



The King's School 5th Place of High 5 Netball finals

Thursday 28th April—winter games continued

On Thursday 28th April at Macclesfield Rugby club the rearranged finals of the Years 5/6 Tag Rugby, Years 7 Girls Rugby and Years 3/4 Mixed Football finals took to the muddy fields of Macclesfield. Although we are well into spring with a glorious sunny start to the day, the weather turned bitterly cold with dull grey clouds and rain for the duration of the afternoon! Despite the unfortunate weather conditions schools were enthusiastic and didn't let this ruin the day.

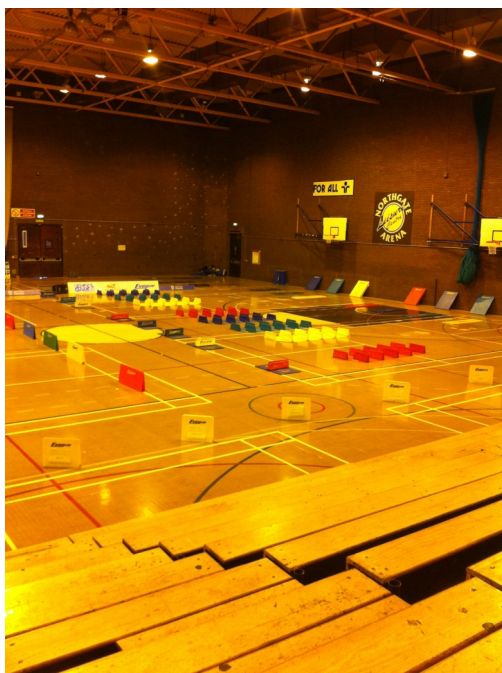
The games kicked off with the usual opening ceremony with young leaders from Wilmslow High School leading on this. The games were close and the pupils were dodging, ducking and diving from Rugby to Football. The atmosphere was great with the rugby club providing a BBQ and hot drinks to keep the spectators, pupils and officials going.

Overleigh St Mary's were the Chester finals representative team in the tag rugby whilst our girls year 7 rugby team unfortunately were unable to make the finals. The King's school were our year 3/4 football finalists. All schools played well and Overleigh finished up in 8th place in the Tag rugby, and The King's finished in 8th place in the Football.

Well done and thank you to all the officials from UCEA and Wilmslow High School and many thanks to Macclesfield rugby club and to all the volunteers and officials. It most certainly was "The Winter Games"!



WINTER GAMES PHOTOS



CHESTER SCHOOLS WINTER GAMES POSITION TABLE

Competition	Gender	School	Position	
Football (u12)	Girls	Christleton	1 st place	WINNERS
Football (u14)	Girls	Christleton	2 nd place	
Football (u16)	Girls	Blacon High	5 th place	
Inclusive Football	Mixed	Dee Banks	5 th place	
Indoor rowing (Yr10)	Boys	QPHS	1 st place	WINNERS
Indoor rowing (Yr9)	Boys	QPHS	4 th place	
Indoor rowing (Yr10)	Girls	QPHS	4 th place	
Indoor rowing (Yr9)	Girls	QPHS	5 th place	
Handball (Yr10)	Boys	Upton by Chester	1 st place	WINNERS
Handball (Yr10)	Girls	Upton by Chester	3 rd place	
Volleyball (Yr10)	Girls	Blacon High	5 th place	
Volleyball (Yr10)	Boys	Blacon High	3 rd place	
Basketball (Yr9)	Boys	Catholic High	4 th place	
Primary SHA	Mixed	Overleigh St Mary's	2 nd place	
Secondary SHA (Yr8)	Boys	Upton By Chester	1 st place	WINNERS
Secondary SHA (Yr7)	Boys	The King's School	1 st place	WINNERS
Secondary SHA (Yr8)	Girls	The King's School	4 TH place	
Secondary SHA (Yr7)	Girls	Bishop Heber	3 rd place	
Quick sticks Hockey	Mixed	The Kings School	1 st place	WINNERS
Quick sticks Hockey	Mixed	Waverton	4 th place	
Mini Basketball (Yr5/6)	Mixed	Overleigh St Mary's	1 st place	WINNERS
High 5 Netball (Yr5/6)	Mixed	The King's School	5 th place	
Football (Yrs 3/4)	Mixed	The King's School	8 th place	
Tag Rugby (Yrs 5/6)	Mixed	Overleigh St Marys	8 th place	

Change4Life Champions Training- Wednesday 27th April

On Wednesday 27th April at Stanney Sports hall in Ellesmere Port we had 9 Chester schools attend our Change4life champions day training ! It was a joint venture with Cheshire Oaks School Sport Partnership and overall we had over 40 pupils in attendance. All pupils received the champions training and adults received the club mentors training . The pupils were full of ideas and showed great enthusiasm and thirst for their role! They were deservingly representing champions for their schools.

From practical activities to engaging in educational modules on Change 4 Life projects from– Sugar Swaps, to 60 minutes of activity, to 5 a day and up and about and more! These were just some of the few Change 4 Life aims the pupils were involved in and will be taking back to their schools with their action plans and posters that the pupils and their teachers worked on during the training day.

We had Sophie Cox Great Britain's Judo Olympian join us as an athlete mentor and the pupils had a great time seeing her achievements and having her join in with some team building activities.

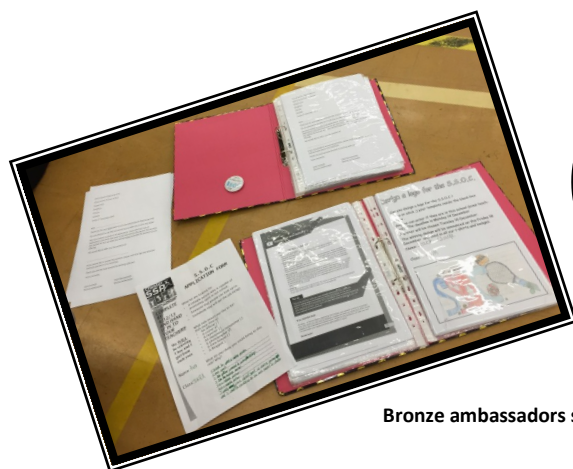
Our Bronze Ambassadors from our Chester primary schools also showcased the great work they have been doing in their schools and received their special bronze pin badges for their exceptional work and commitment to their roles in school. Well done and keep up the brilliant work!



GB Judo Olympian Sophie Cox supporting pupils



Pupils engaging in practical activity on how to use the STEP framework



Bronze ambassadors showcasing some of their excellent work they have worked on in their school



FA Primary Teachers award CPD- Thursday 5th May

On Thursday 5th May 11 teachers and TA's from all around Chester schools came together to attend the FA Primary Teachers award .The course is designed to explore what the National Curriculum for PE looks like, it was not a specific football course but football was used as a vehicle to deliver certain aspects of the PE curriculum.

The workshops included:

- *National Curriculum for PE, School Sport Premium, Purpose of PE (theory)
- *Planning & Delivering the Fundamentals of Movement & Fundamental Sports Skills from the curriculum with Multi- directional games (practical)
- *Planning and Delivering the Principles of attacking and defending through modified games with directional games (practical)
- *Running a School team -philosophies, picking a team, formations, small sided football formats, match day preparation & support (theory/practical)

The feedback was positive and everyone felt more knowledgeable by the end of the day ! It was fun filled and engaging award, so a big thank you to the FA for running the course!



Tri Golf Festival– Wednesday 18th May

The weather forecast teased us through the morning with high percentages of rain for the afternoon of the competition! We peered out the windows for hours in hope that the rain would hold off! Much to our hope the rain steered clear!

16 teams from 13 Chester primary schools came together to participate in the School Games Years 5/6 Tri Golf festival at Westminster Park. Two rounds of competitions went on simultaneously due to the large number of teams. The afternoon sun was glorious with high levels of enthusiasm and enjoyment at the Tri Golf festival. There were 16 stations, 8 at each competition, pupils had to score as many points in the 5 minutes they had at each station before the claxon was sounded. From putting to chipping the pupils were all fabulous and giving their all in excitement to get as many points as they could! Tri Golf is an inclusive festival and it allows for pupils to explore a wide range of different golfing skills within different challenges in a fun situation. The festival was thoroughly enjoyed by all the staff and pupils!

The scores were soaring and very high! But there can be only one winner! A big Well done to Overleigh who finished up in second place as runners up! The school who grabbed the winning title of the day were Delamere Academy!

Many congratulations! They will now go onto represent Chester at the county level 3 summer games finals taking place in Warrington at the Orford Park this July!. We wish you luck and know you will do Chester proud. Thank you to all schools and Judith's coaches from CEPD and Paul from Westminster Park for all your help and support on the day!

Delamere Academy—WINNERS



Overleigh—RUNNERS UP



School Games Mark Application

APPLY FOR THE MARK EARLY AND WIN AN IPAD!!!

The school games mark opens on **Wednesday 1st June 2016** and will run until **Wednesday 28th September**. As an extra incentive the school games are offering a very special competition pack as a prize to one school that applies before the summer holidays!

Every school that submits their application before Friday 22nd July will be entered into a prize draw and the lucky winner will be announced that day.



The competition pack will include:

1 x 16gb iPad mini

1 x Apple TV

1 x HD 3D Camcorder with 8GB SD card

1 x Reporter Notepads

5x Branded bibs

5 x Arm Bands

1 x Storage bag

Also new this year, schools will be able to download their official school games mark certificate as soon as their application has been verified and, if selected, you have undergone an external validation visit. This will come in the form of a printable PDF, allowing schools to instantly show off their success before the summer break!

If you have any questions or would like support in filling your application please feel free to contact Amina or Claire at Chester SSP (See last page for contact details) or alternatively, please visit the appropriate section of the school games website, found in the 'Your School' menu see www.yourschoolgames.com.



Dates for your diary 2015-2016

June

Primary Schools

Secondary Schools

Primary & Secondary

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1– Applications for School Games Mark opens	2	3
6	7	8 Years 5/6 Kwik Cricket Mixed A competition @ Boughton Hall (10-4pm)	9 Years 5/6 Kwik Cricket Mixed B competition @ Boughton Hall (9.30-12pm) Kwik Cricket Girls Only 12.30-3.30pm	10
13	14	15	16	17
20 Rescheduled Yrs 5/6 Quad Kids athletics	21	22 Yrs 3/4 Mini red tennis @ Glan Aber Tennis Club	23 Yrs 4-6 Orienteering @ Catholic High	24
27	28	29	30	

July

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4 SUMMER GAMES	5 SUMMER GAMES	6 SUMMER GAMES	7 SUMMER GAMES	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26		28	



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'Providing opportunities for every young person to shine'

Best of the Blogs!

In order to make blogging on the School Games website more rewarding, the School Games are introducing the 'Blog of the Week' competition. This is a chance for you to have your story promoted on the official School Games Twitter feed – which currently has over 5,500 followers – with a screenshot of your opening paragraph and a link to view the full story.

Your story will also be included on the front page of the School Games website when they release their monthly celebration of all of the winners. Keep an eye on the 'What's On' section at the bottom of the home page for more information and lots of great stories!

All of the entries made will also be considered as part of the Reward & Recognition Scheme.

All you need to do is ensure that you've entered your School Games Day and that you've blogged on your dashboard. Blogging is easy, simply scroll down on your dashboard and click on the 'create a new post' button on the left-hand side.

If you need some help on how to blog, please contact Claire Smedley or look on the School Games website for a copy of the blogging support document which you can download.



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