



### Up Coming Training

#### PE Showcase Day

To be re-arranged for Autumn Term

#### ASA Swimming Module 1

22<sup>nd</sup> Sept & 1<sup>st</sup> Oct  
Sexeys School, Bruton  
28<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Aqua Centre, Crewkerne

#### Swimming Scheme of Work

19<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Sexeys School, Bruton

#### ASA Swimming Module 2

9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> November  
Venue TBC

#### JAE Mentor Training

To be re-arranged for Autumn Term

For more information or to book a place please visit our website: [www.sesomersetssco.co.uk](http://www.sesomersetssco.co.uk)

### Mini Red Tennis

24 pupils having won their cluster tournaments came together during National Sport Week to compete in the Partnership tennis final held at Martock Tennis Club. During a round robin tournament in both singles and doubles the event was a close run affair which was narrowly won by Ilchester Primary School. Graham Norris, Senior Competition Manager would like to hear from any other schools who would like to take part in the programme next year.



### Happy Holidays!

This year seems to have gone more quickly than ever with the summer holidays looming. There have been some great successes over the past 12 months and a real sense of things coming together! Our Senior Competition Manager, Graham Norris has completed a very successful first year, developing new structures for competition and linking us ever more closely with National Governing Bodies of Sport. Intra School Competition has really taken off giving even more pupils that competitive experience. Talent support has flourished with even more work and help for those with real potential in sport. Activities have continued to expand in variety allowing even more children to access physical activity; the Partnership now boasts 5 sets of Dance Mats with more on the way! School to Club Link Champions have also begun to make a real impact bringing clubs closer to our schools. Next year promises even more opportunity and plans are already being made. We hope you have a very enjoyable summer break and look forward to seeing you all again in September.

### Partnership Leadership Camp

42 young leaders from the Ansford Cluster (Ansford Secondary, Castle Cary and Queen Camel Primary Schools) took part in the first Partnership Gifted and Talented Leadership Camp held at Kings School, Bruton during National Sport Week. The day was a fantastic success with all the leaders facing up to the challenges and solving loads of leadership problems during the day. It was a very rewarding experience to see how much they were able to learn and achieve in a few short hours through the learning activities and environment created and supported by the staff.



All of the leaders completed a leadership profile and had the opportunity to compare this and receive feedback from the staff working with them during the day so they all have a leadership action to take back to school. In addition to this a number of them have been selected to take part in the Somerset Leadership Academy workshops that will be run over the next two years. Plans are already underway for next year's camp this is likely to be held in the Autumn Term to enable the programme to be rolled out more effectively with links to other opportunities for leadership within the Partnership and across Somerset.



### Partnership Golf Day Gets Players Closer to Clubs

Windwhistle Golf Club was the venue for this years Partnership Golf event on 30th June as part of National Sport Week. Nearly 80 pupils from across the Partnership came to the course eager to do their best. This year the event took two different versions; one for existing players with handicaps and another for non golfers who were keen to learn more. The main competition with players with handicaps from single figures up to 52 showed themselves to be excellent ambassadors for their schools and the sport of golf alike. The final results showed there was some outstanding talent on the course with one pupil scoring a gross

73! The other event of the day was designed to bring new golfers closer to clubs and learn some essential skills. We were fortunate to receive the tuition support from Andrew Hayes, Long Sutton Professional who worked alongside the Pro, Paul Deepreose from Windwhistle to help teach the basics of the game. Nearly 40 pupils were split between driving range and chipping green before being swapped. Later they all were able to go around a temporary academy course to put their newfound skills to good use. The Partnership is extremely grateful to Windwhistle Golf Club for hosting the event this year and also to Steve Scott Bowen, Development Officer from the Golf Foundation for attending and helping to support. The day went extremely well with everyone saying they had a great time and many taking a keen interest in future club opportunities.



## Alternative Sports at KA

King Arthur's Sports College fully supported the National School Sports Week by offering all its pupils in Key stage 3 nine different activities to choose from for a morning of alternative sports on Tuesday and Thursday. KA brought in additional outside coaches helping to motivate pupils and fulfill objectives for PE and school sport using the inspiration of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games and Values. The range of activities included: spinning, disc sports, water polo, handball and street dance to name a few. To help promote and advertise the week, year 10 Young Ambassadors Ashley Merrit and Annalise Salter delivered an assembly to over 300 pupils and staff in the lower school. In line with the National School Sport Week's objectives, JSLA students pledged and delivered lunchtime clubs, passing on their knowledge to pupils in the lower school. KA pupils loved the experience making the following comments:



Ellie: *I think we should have it now in our curriculum like water polo*

Katie: *really good to be able to chose our own activities*

Katie P.: *great as we got to work with people who like the same sports, but we don't normally work with.*

Alice: *Spinning was awesome: I'm now going to join the club*



## Middle School Bowls

The first ever bowls match took place during National Sport Week between Maiden Beech and Swanmead. Children aged 11 to 13 took part following a number of coaching sessions at their respective clubs. Swanmead pupils have been coached by England Under 25 International Louise Rideout.

The Maiden Beech pupils have visited the Severalls Bowling Club where they have been tutored by Hilary and Ken Leamon and Harry Black.

The pupils showed how well they have listened and Practiced with a good Standard of play throughout the afternoon. Maiden Beech



team raced off into an early lead in both matches but by the end it was Swanmead who ran out as winners on the day. School to Club Links have been established with a pathway created for pupils to play out of school hours and hopefully continue to enjoy the games as an adult.

## National Sport Week at St. Barts

An afternoon of virtual athletics and football for all year 3 & 4 formed part of National Sport Week for St. Bartholomews in Crewkerne. The pupils took part in throwing, running and jumping tests before having them all measured and the results recorded on the website.

After school four local schools took part in a mini world cup football tournament held at St. Barts. The pupils were put into mixed school teams and played a total of 5 matches each. The red shirts of Spain won the competition but all teams were presented with National Sport Week certificates.

Thanks go to PLT Sue McCreedy who did so much to organize a most enjoyable afternoon.



## Medals Success For Somerset

in the National Junior Disability Athletics Championships. 500 athletes from all regions across England and Wales attended and there were several athletes wearing GB vests so the standard was high. The winner of this year's London Mini Wheelchair Marathon and two athletes who competed at Beijing Paralympics were among the competitors at the event where nearly 100 national records were broken. This was the first time Somerset has entered a team who represented the South West Region and they were the strongest team for a very long time, achieving a higher ranking in the medal table than in previous years. The Somerset team achieved 9 medals in total; 4 gold, 4 silver and 1 bronze with nearly every athlete achieving a new personal best. Jen Slade the team manager and Somerset Disability Development Officer said 'It was an amazing experience for the young people from Somerset and we all had a brilliant weekend'

For more information about disability sport in Somerset contact Jen Slade on 0796 939 7093 or the SASP office on 01823 410213.



## Frome Gets Sporty

competing against each other at Tri-Golf and virtual athletics stations.

Norton St. Philip also used tri-golf as their intra-school competition during National Sport Week. The whole school took part in a circuit of Stations led by year 3 & 4 pupils. At St. Johns year 2 pupils were given the opportunity to try trampolining at the leisure center with their SSCo.



At Frome College, year 9 Gifted and Talented pupils took part in a academy session where they were introduced to the 5 ability cogs; personal, social, Creative, cognitive and physical through throw tennis. Year 9 were also involved in a morning of alternative activities which included trampolining, rock-it-ball and Frisbee golf.