



# South East Somerset School Sports Partnership

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Schools working in partnership to develop PE, Sport and Physical Activity for young people

## Newsletter

Spring 2: 2010

### Training Dates

#### New PLT Training Mod 2

22<sup>nd</sup> April, 8.45 - 3.15  
Monks Yard, Horton Cross

#### Elevating Athletics

5<sup>th</sup> May, 3.45 - 5.45  
Venue TBC

#### Quick Sticks Hockey

5<sup>th</sup> May, 4 - 6pm  
Vallis First School, Frome

#### New PLT Training Mod 3

15<sup>th</sup> June, 8.45 - 3.15  
Monks Yard, Horton Cross

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

### Big Lottery Funding

BIG LOTTERY INFORMATION UPDATE – Various funding opportunities available from £300 - £500,000 for more information go to :

[www.biglotteryfund.org.uk](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk)

Advice Line: 0845 410 2030



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### Are your pupils getting their 5 hours?

5 hours a week of PE Sport and/or Physical Activity sounds a lot, however our surveys show that over 50% already achieve this, many through further involvement in sport outside of school.

For the remaining pupils, increasing participation starts in school with 2 hours high quality curriculum PE for all 5 – 16 year olds. To extend this provision we are working together to offer a third hour of activity in a school setting for all pupils. The National Target is that 80% of all 5 – 19 year old pupils should take part in 3 hours per week by 2011. The Partnership can support this development by identifying and providing opportunities for activities which those pupils are most keen to do. For help in this process please see your School Sport Coordinator who will be able to inform you of opportunities that will be right for your young people.

### Lloyds TSB National School Sport Week

Lloyds TSB  
National School  
**SPORT  
WEEK**

Lloyds TSB National School Sport Week is great opportunity to promote the power and impact of sport in your school. This year the week is taking place between **28<sup>th</sup> June and 2<sup>nd</sup> July**. Free resources and information are available to help plan your event. To register please visit the following web site.

<http://www.schoolsportweek.org/>

### Pupil Survey helping to hit targets

The Pupil Activity Survey this year has been designed to support completion of PESSYP data collection and SEFs even better than before. It is also a great way to identify potential new activities for young people. So far there have been over 2000 responses across the Partnership. Analysis is easier too with a link for you to filter your own results. We are trying very hard to ensure that schools can be supported as much as possible and SSCos are on hand to help with using the data to target future action. All links can be found on the Partnership web site:

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### No Dodging the Fun at Maiden Beech!



Crewkerne Sports Centre was the venue for a Dodgeball Festival attended by seventy children from First Schools in the Crewkerne cluster. Coaching sessions in school have been provided by Dodgeball coaches for children in Years 3 and 4. The school sessions ensure all schools are aware of the rules for the game and can practice in their own school under the guidance of a teacher who has been present during the sessions. Dodgeball requires all children to be very active, work as a team and develop good throwing and movement skills. An Inter school competition was held during the afternoon with St Bartholomew's, emerging as the winners, Merriott First School finished in second place. All schools taking part won at least one game before mixing

into 2 teams of over 30 players. This was the most closely contested game of the afternoon with it difficult to select a winner. As a result of all coaching sessions in school Dodgeball is now played in all schools to the same rules, children can enjoy a team game where all can have a part to play. It is intended inter school games will be played, plus it will be offered as a lunchtime or after school activity.

A special thanks go to the Teamtheme Dodgeball coaches who have provided opportunities for children to play in a festival, providing equipment, expertise and support on a voluntary basis.



## U16 Basketball Thriller



Huish and Bucklers Mead's U16 boys contested the second of the Partnership Basketball Finals at Buckler's Mead on Tuesday 24th Feb, which proved to be a very even and tight match.

This was a match that started closely contested and finished on a knife edge where the match result could have gone either way. Huish scored first while the teams settled down into their various attack and defence routines until Ablett put Buckler's ahead with the only 3 pointer of the match. In the second half, with some players getting close to their 5 foul limits, there were fewer interruptions and some more cautious play. However in the last 5 minutes Huish went into the lead and then on to win 38-36.

## Holyrood Fun Run



Holyrood Community School played host to the Primary Schools 'Fun Run' on 10<sup>th</sup> March. A total of 76 (33 girls and 43 boys) young athletes from 6 primary schools (Ashill, Buckland, Chard, Manor Court, Tatworth and Winsham), participated in a cross country run around the school fields. They were led around by Holyrood students.

The U9's competed over 900m and the team winners were Buckland (girls) and Chard (boys). The U11's competed over 1400m and the team winners were Tatworth (girls) and Buckland (boys).

School Sports Co-ordinator, Jason Hedaux, would like to thank participating schools for attending. Events, like these, help schools to contribute to national targets in school-sport, such as working towards the 3 hour offer and inter school competition

## Aquasplash in Frome



Tuesday 9th and Thursday 11th February saw Year 3 & 4 pupils from Frome First Schools attending their first aquatic festivals at Frome Leisure Centre.

In the past pupils have taken part in a traditional swimming gala. However this year, Frome SSCos and Karen Pinnegar from Somerset ASA decided to follow the new National Competition guidelines for swimming by changing to an Aquasplash festival.

Aquasplash festivals are designed to cater for both non swimmers and swimmers. They are based upon recognising and celebrating the skills achieved at swimming lessons and is a fun, inclusive, multi-skill, multi-event activity. The design encourages young people to demonstrate their skills as individuals and teams, experience a fun based festival and signposts them to other aquatic activities in the community.

130 pupils took part this year, a large increase in numbers compared to the traditional style-swimming gala. The new format also allowed Frome College swimming leaders to volunteer at the event as part of the Step Into Sport Volunteers Programme. The leaders were involved in team management and supporting pupils in the water.

Both afternoons were filled with cheering, laughter and smiles as the pupils thoroughly enjoyed the activities in the water. All pupils were given letters signposting them to aquatic opportunities within the local community. Potentially talented pupils were identified and asked to contact Frome Swimming Club.



## Clean Sweep for Curry Mallet



The annual Huish CLP Tournament for primary schools took place on 16th and 17th March. Schools are separated into large and small school categories for High Fives Netball and Mini Football. This year the netball tournament leads onto a South East Somerset final so there was all to play for.

The large school football was a close affair with Kingsbury Episcopi coming out winners on goal difference over High Ham. Small school football was also close with Curry Mallet narrowly beating Hambridge in their last game.



In the netball, large school winners were Curry Rivel with small school winners again Curry Mallet. Curry Rivel and runners up, Kingsbury Episcopi go through to the High Fives final at Maiden Beech as unfortunately Curry Mallet have other commitments that day.

## High Fives Partnership Finals



The first Partnership level High Fives netball competition was held at Maiden Beech School recently. 9 teams contested the event, playing in 3 pools, where the schools qualified through their Cluster finals put on by the SSCos.

The event was officiated by female young leaders from Preston School. Each team played 2 pool games which were won by East Coker A, Maiden Beech A and Curry Rivel. All of the games were played with great spirit and enthusiasm, despite the cold and wet weather. In the tiered finals that followed, Maiden Beech showed their strength in depth winning both their matches 3-2 to win the third place pool to come 7<sup>th</sup> overall. Meanwhile in the second place pool, Combe St Nicholas came top to finish 4<sup>th</sup> overall beating both Neroche and Swanmead.

On court one, the pool winners battled it out to see which two teams would qualify for the first ever County High Fives competition which will be held at Castle School on 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Congratulations to East Coker who won the competition and Curry Rivel who as runners up will join them in the Partnership finals. Our thanks go to Ann Bull and her colleagues from Yeovil Netball Club and to the many parents also supported the event.

