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## Welcome

This newsletter is designed to raise the profile of PE, sport, health and wellbeing in Crawley. Major contributors include Crawley School Sport Partnership, Thomas Bennett Sports College and Crawley Borough Council but we welcome articles from anyone interested in contributing suitable stories.

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## Crawley Schools High 5 Netball

The Partnership organised the annual year 5/6 High 5 Netball tournament for Crawley primary schools on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March. Teams from Langley Green, Bewbush, Maidenbower Juniors, St Francis and Pound Hill competed for the trophy and honour of representing Crawley in the Sussex finals.

The tournament was played over three courts with all teams playing each other. The event was a closely fought battle amongst all of the teams, especially the top three.

The encounter between Maidenbower Junior A team and Bewbush was highly anticipated and the closest match of them all. The teams drew 4-4, a score reflected by the effort and determination of both sides!

In the end, it was between these two teams for first place. With points being an equal 14 it was Bewbush who took it on goals for. Every pupil that participated received a certificate for their efforts and a prize pen!

The Partnership would like to say thank you to all of the schools that attended.

Bewbush went on to represent the Crawley schools at the Sussex finals, the very next day. Well done to Bewbush for competing hard throughout the day.

## Crawley Schools Multi-skills Festival

The Crawley School Sport Partnership organised the annual year 1/2 and year 3/4 Multi-skills Festival for Crawley primary schools on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at K2 Leisure Centre.

Students from Primary Schools across Crawley were excited to compete in front of a delegation from Malawi including the President and Secretary General of their Olympic and Commonwealth Games Committee, attending K2 to view the facilities as a potential site for their Olympic training venue.

The festival was organised over eight courts in K2 Leisure Centre, with each team moving around a circuit of different activities. The year 1/2 event was a closely fought battle amongst all of the teams, especially the top three. In the end it was St Margaret's who performed well in the long jump and Maidenbower Infants who pulled out all of the stops in the balance events, who finished joint first!

The year 3/4 event was also an exciting competition with close results in the Ladder relays and one foot balances. In the end it was Gossops Green C team who took first place with St Margaret's coming Runners Up.

The CSSP would like to say thank you to all of the schools and supporters who attended the Multi-skills festival. (Pictures overleaf)

## Gossops Green Team celebrate Multi-skills Success



St Margaret's and Maidenbower Infants celebrate as joint winners



## Crawley Schools Judo Development Festival

The Crawley School Sport Partnership's Judo Development Festival took place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at K2 Leisure Centre for year 4/5 students.

After a mass warm up the children were then divided up into groups of similar height to learn some judo techniques which they could use for the competition.

Having learnt the basics the children were then given the opportunity to put these skills into practice. 1 minute bouts were refereed by the coaches and the children had a fantastic time trying to throw their opponents!

Congratulations go to Gossops Green Primary School who are the Crawley Schools Judo Champions. Desmond Anderson were close Runners Up, losing by only one bout!

All pupils were awarded a certificate of participation and encouraged to attend a free lesson at Crawley Judo Club and Kin Ryu Judo Club to further their skills.



## Oriel and Hazelwick Cluster Primary Schools Cross Country

On 9<sup>th</sup> March 2009, Primary schools from Oriel and Hazelwick clusters were invited to take part in the Cross Country competition at Hazelwick Secondary School.

First race of the day was provided by the infant school pupils. This event made its debut at the competition and the youngsters were up for the challenge! Congratulations to every student who took part in the gruelling race with noticeable efforts made by Greg Hearn from The Brook and Katherine Woodhouse from Maidenbower Infants, being the boys and girls winners respectively.

The second race to take place was the Junior girls race. A demanding lap and a half was completed by all, first place going to Sophie Mansfield from Milton Mount who put in an outstanding performance to gain the victory.

The final race was run by the Junior boys and was an exciting race for the many spectators that turned out. Milton Mount showed that they meant business by coming 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, the winner being Andrew Gardner.

A huge thank you must go out to all the staff and students from Oriel and Hazelwick that volunteered to help organise and run the event. Another thank you has to go to all the teachers, parents and volunteers who attended. Lastly, thank you to all the cross country runners who participated on the day! Well done!

Overall team positions:

1<sup>st</sup> Maidenbower Juniors

2<sup>nd</sup> Milton Mount

3<sup>rd</sup> Three Bridges Juniors



## Cluster Netball results

Many Crawley clusters have held their High 5 Netball tournaments last term. Here is a round up of the results:

Oriel/Hazelwick winners: Maidenbower Juniors

Holy Trinity winners: St Margaret's

Ifield winners: Bewbush



## Skate Sessions @ ICC for BTEC Students

Ifield Community College organised some taster sessions of varying sports for prospective BTEC students. Lucy Adams, Skate coach, went in to run two 45 minute Skateboard Sessions on Thursday 4th March.

The students were led through the basic principles of skateboarding and given advice on safety aspects. Those that were confident enough tackled their way through an obstacle course whilst beginners were given support on some easier skills.

The students enjoyed the sessions and all said they couldn't wait for the ramps to visit in the summer term!

## Collaborative Learning Day @ Hazelwick

Hazelwick's Collaborative Learning Day took place on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2009. Year 7 Students had their school days divided between PE and Science lessons in order to learn about how our bodies burn food for fuel.

Skate Coach Lucy Adams led 4 groups through the basics of skateboarding in a 40 minute session. Those that felt were competent were challenged to a slalom course whilst Lucy supported others in becoming more fluent in their basic pushing technique.

The weather was great and the groups had a fantastic time learning something different and finding out about the impact that skating has on the body.

## Former TAP students swimming success!

Adam Harrington, a former Hazelwick student and a member of the first cohort of TAP has recently moved to Australia to further his international swimming career.

Adam made the European Junior team last year and went to Belgrade with GBR compete in the 18 and under category. He says that this year has been going just as well. He traveled back to the UK for the World Trials a week ago, which was also trials for the European Juniors. Adam qualified for 3 senior finals out of 4 and also qualified for the European Juniors which will take place in Prague.

Adam expresses appreciation for the Talented Athlete Programme; "I think a big difference in my performance is from my move to Australia but I learnt a lot from the TAP so thank you very much with your support from that".

The Crawley School Sport Partnership wishes Adam every success for the future, good luck!

## Thomas Bennett Community College Students Get Ministerial Approval

TBCC's NVQ in Football Coach Education students were recently invited down to Brighton and Hove Albion FC's Withdean Stadium to show their coaching expertise in front of Andy Burnham MP, the current Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport.

The year 13 students have been volunteering with Brighton and Hove Albion's disability football scheme over the last 7 months. The students have worked with the Sussex County Rep squads and gained extra FA qualifications in coaching players with varied disabilities.

The Minister asked to come down to see a number of activities that the club's nationally awarded community scheme run including the work with disabled players, which is headed by Teresa Sanders. "It's been a real bonus for us to include these coaches in our scheme and we feel that developing young people to work with disabled players should be recognised".

The young coaches received massive praise from Mr. Burnham, who watched the sessions and later congratulated the entire scheme and its huge positive effect which is felt throughout Sussex.

## Table Tennis Festival @ Holy Trinity

The Crawley School Sport Partnership's Table Tennis Festival took place on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at Holy Trinity Secondary School.

A Butterfly Skills Circuit was completed by all teams with scores from each participant added together to reach a total - these totals were then ranked with 200 points awarded for first, 150 for second, 100 for third and 50 for fourth places.



Congratulations go to Langley Green Primary School who are once again the Crawley Table Tennis School Champions. Bewbush 1<sup>st</sup> team came runners up, closely followed by Hilltop and Bewbush 2<sup>nd</sup> team. Following the competition a number of skills were coached through fun table relay games. Pupils were encouraged to attend Crawley Table Tennis Club to further their skills.

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