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Partnership News

SPRING TERM 2023

Up coming events

Spring has sprung and sees the start of a new exciting half term of events. First up is the year 3 / 4 hockey tournament led and delivered by young leaders of Meole Brace. The leaders will deliver a 20 minute training session before starting the competition. We also have the Tag Rugby School Games qualifier on the 14th March, followed by the KS2 Gymnastics competition and the start of the cross country leagues with events taking place on two nights (21st March Sports Village and 28th March at Attingham Park). Squeezed in between those is the year 3 / 4 tennis festival kindly hosted by Shropshire Tennis Association at the Shrewsbury Club on the 23rd March and a KS1 Multiskills event on the 30th March. Exciting!



Primary Teaching

Teaching by Mr Nagy

Mereside CE Primary School



In Spring 1 Mr Nagy has been delivering specialist “booster” lessons to specific children to develop confidence, regulate emotions and improve health and wellbeing. The lessons are short, sharp interventions that develop key gross/fine motor skills and allow children to access learning in a fun and safe environment. The children have enjoyed the activities so far and will continue their progress this term.



Oakmeadow CE Primary School



During the Spring term Mr Nagy has been teaching year 4 gymnastics to meet the national curriculum aim of developing flexibility, strength technique, control and balance. In conjunction with year 4 staff Mr Nagy taught pupils how to safely create and develop a routine and improve it using peer feedback. Year 4 pupils were able to incorporate counter balances, rolls and jumps in their floor sequences and improve their performance using elements such as cannon and presenting.



St Thomas and St Anne's CE Primary School



Whilst at St Thomas and St Anne Mr Nagy has been working hard with year 2 /3 and Year 6 to teach gymnastics and help children develop basic movements and increase strength, flexibility, technique, control and balance. During the half term year 2 / 3 developed ways of travelling on / off equipment, improved basic movements, learnt how to perform rolls safely and were able to link short movements to create and re-fine sequences. Year 6 developed and furthered key skills in travelling, balancing and rolling but also progressed onto flight.

Mr Nagy also worked with year 1 and reception to develop a fun net and wall scheme of work. Children were taught to move with confidence, safety and with control and co-ordination. They used a range of equipment such as tennis rackets to play modified net and wall games to meet the national curriculum objective of handling objects with increasing control.



Competitions and Events

Dodgeball—Key Stage 2

70 participants from 6 schools took part in a thrilling dodgeball tournament on the 12th January at Mary Webb school. Led by Mr Nagy and the sports leaders from Mary Webb schools battled it out to make it through to the final which eventually was won by Trinity CE Primary School. Mr Nagy commented how well all schools had done and gave a special mention to Minsterley Primary School who earned the School Games Honesty Value award.

Year 3 / 4 Inclusion

Over 120 pupils with an SEND need attended an Inclusion festival held at Meole Brace on the 19th January. Pupils got to take part in 3 different events – Boccia, New Aged kurling and Tri golf. All the activities were smoothly led by year 9 sports leaders from Meole Brace and helped make the event a huge success. Teachers from attending schools commented on how much children had enjoyed the events and how attentive leaders had been.



Sportshall Athletics—Key stage 2

150 + participants from 9 different schools attended the School Games Sportshall Athletics qualifier at Mary Webb on 26th January. This fiercely contested event saw children take part in indoor track and field events overseen by Mr Nagy, Mr Jew and the Sports leaders from Mary Webb. The overall winners that now go through to the School Games Finals to represent Shrewsbury were Greenfields Girls and Meole Brace Boys.




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Basketball Finals—Key stage 2

The four successful teams met on the 31st January to play out who would represent the Shrewsbury area in basketball at the School Games in May. The games were of very high quality with end to end basketball being played making it a tiring night for the leaders of Meole Brace who refereed the games with distinction. Although the games were extremely tight it was Harlescott Juniors who eventually won the round robin and progress to the School Games Finals, congratulations!



Year 5 / 6 Swimming Gala

This event took place at the prestigious Shrewsbury School who kindly hosted a fantastic swimming gala for 60 mixed gender children. Mr Nagy led the event with the help from Meole Brace leaders to officiate and oversee a large number of extremely competitive races including 50m freestyle, 25m butterfly and everyone's favourite, the medleys. The standard of swimming was very good making St Georges Primary Schools winning total all the more impressive. The event proved to be really well received by all prompting Mr Nagy to organise a County Swim Gala – watch this Space!

Year 3 / 4 and Year 5 / 6 Football Leagues

Hosted at the Shrewsbury Sports Village on the 6th /13th February afterschool saw a number of schools attend a mixed gender year 3 and 4 and 5&6 football league. The standard of play was very good on both nights with all teams playing against each other making for very enjoyable evenings. Games were refereed by year 9 sports leaders who performed fantastically well considering that this was, for many, their first experience of refereeing competitive fixtures. After all the points had been added up it was Greenfields Primary who came out on top with 7 wins and 1 draw in the year 3 &4 league, and Radbrook Primary emerging victorious in the year 5& 6 league. Congratulations.



Competitions and Events continued

High 5 Netball

The third school games event of the calendar saw 9 schools and 90 children attend the High 5 School Games qualifier held at Shrewsbury High School on the 8th February. Teams of boys and girls played 10 minute pool games before successful teams made it through to the quarter finals. The standard of all games were high but ultimately progressing to the School Games Qualifier will be Coleham Primary who won a tight final against Prestfelde Preparatory School.



Year 5/ 6 Quicksticks Hockey

8 schools bringing a mix of A, B and even C teams attended this popular modified hockey tournament called Quick sticks Hockey. Quick sticks is a 4v4, invasion sport that sees children take to the pitch and play field hockey against an opponent but without goalkeepers meaning that goals are a plenty. This was evident at this tournament held at Shrewsbury School on 16th February, which saw teams battle it out to make it out the group and reach the quarter, semis and ultimately the final. In a closely run final it was Longden Primary that ran out winners with Greenfields efforts to score in vain.




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Thank You

A huge thank you to all the schools listed below that have entered the partnership and attended events so far this term. You have helped make the events into some fantastic competitions and we look forward to working with you into the summer term and beyond.

Coleham Primary School

Greenfields Primary School

Harlescott Junior School

Longden CE Primary

Meole Brace Cof E Primary

Mereside CE Primary

Minsterley Primary School

Oxon CE Primary

Prestfelde Preparatory School

Radbrook Primary School

Shrewsbury High School

St George's Cof E Primary School

St Giles CofE Primary School

St Thomas and St Anne CE Primary

Trinity CE Primary

A special mention to Meole Brace Secondary, Mary Webb School and Science College, Shrewsbury School, Shrewsbury High School and Shrewsbury Sports Village who have supported us with access to facilities or young leaders. Thank you.