



Cuffley School

SPORTS NEWSLETTER

Caring Curious Courageous

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Cuffley have kicked off the academic year with incredible energy and sporting spirit! It's been fantastic to see so many children proudly representing our school across a wide range of sports, showing real enthusiasm, teamwork and determination. Before we look ahead to the busy Spring term, let's take a moment to celebrate the amazing sporting achievements our children have already accomplished!

A little appreciation goes a long way!

We are incredibly proud to offer a wide range of free clubs for our children to enjoy. Alongside the football and netball clubs for Key Stage 2, the younger children have been offered the opportunity to try dance and ballet clubs too! This term, across both Key Stages 1 and 2, a whopping **117 children** have attended at least one sports club and **115 children** have already represented Cuffley this year!

These opportunities are only possible because of the dedication of our teaching staff, and volunteers, who generously give up their own unpaid time to make them happen. They do this to allow our children to explore new interests and have as many rewarding experiences as possible.

A simple 'thank you' or a kind word at the end of a club, match or event goes an extremely long way. Please support us in making manners non-negotiable in our community by leading by example; modelling those lovely manners to our children makes such a difference to our school and encourages them to do so too. Thank you, as always, for your support – it means a lot to us all.

There's something for everyone!

During school time, some year groups have had the chance to participate in our free additional Karate and Yoga sessions. Our children are incredibly fortunate to benefit from such skilled and dedicated teachers.

This term, we've also enjoyed rugby sessions in school! We are always delighted to welcome specialist instructors to Cuffley, giving our children the chance to develop new skills and try sports they may never have experienced before — all while having lots of fun too!



Sports Festivals and Tournaments

This term, 34 children across Years 3, 4 and 5 have proudly represented our school at a series of sports festivals and tournaments; they have had the chance to develop new skills and experience competition in a fun, supportive and enthusiastic environment! It has been wonderful to see so many of our children getting involved and embracing new sporting challenges while showcasing their teamwork, determination and talent!



Our brilliant golfers even managed to finish in an impressive second place out of seven schools! It's clear that we have some budding golfers in our midst. Well done to everyone who took part!



Thank you to Miss Steers, Mrs Tatham and Mrs Willcock for supporting at these events and helping to make these opportunities for our children possible.



Cross-Country Championships

The annual Mid-Herts District Cross-Country Championships took place at Queenswood School in November. Despite the slippery conditions, every member of the team showed fantastic determination and ran brilliantly from start to finish!

The boys' team finished in second place and the girls' team achieved third place. This meant that Cuffley finished joint second overall! This was a testament to their effort and perseverance. A huge well done to all of the eleven children from Years 5 and 6 for their outstanding performances.



Football and Netball Leagues

Although it's still early in the season, the children have kicked things off on a high in both the Potters Bar and Cheshunt leagues.

The Year 6 boys have started the season as they mean to go – unbeaten! They won their opening matches 8-1 and 1-0. Following in their footsteps, the Year 5 boys dominated their opening two matches, winning 3-0 and 1-0! The girls' team have also made their football debut this term – for some children it was their first ever Cuffley football match. After a 0-0 draw in their first game, they found their rhythm and came away with a brilliant 3-1 win in the next!



Despite not being in a league, the Year 4 boys have managed to get some time on the pitch this year already. They battled in an away match against Ponsbourne School and showed fantastic teamwork and determination throughout the game; they created some brilliant chances and played with real enthusiasm. Although a few unlucky moments kept them from converting those chances into goals, their effort and sportsmanship proved them to be real Cuffley Crusaders!



The Year 5 and 6 netball team have shown incredible team spirit this term. Although they've faced a few tough losses, they have stayed united, trained hard and always come back fighting. The girls managed to take the victory in one of their most recent matches, winning 3-1. Keep up all of your hard work, girls!



There are lots of fixtures to look forward to after Christmas and the children are keen to make their mark! A special thank you to Ms B, Debbie, Mr Fish, Miss Steers and Mr Wing who very kindly give up their time to run these clubs and attend the fixtures after school.

Football Tournaments

Alongside the initial stages of the league fixtures starting, we have had a few football tournaments already too.

In October, some of the Year 4 boys had the opportunity to represent Cuffley in a tournament at Flamstead End School. The boys fought fiercely together throughout and grew stronger with each match, managing to take the win in every game! Their fantastic run led them all the way to the finals where they managed to secure the win on penalties – well done boys!



Despite the freezing conditions (it had even snowed that morning!), ten of the Year 6 boys headed over to Haberdashers' Boys School for the first round of the Junior Wix 9-a-side Competition in November. Undeterred by the weather, they continued the fantastic winning streak they've shown throughout their leagues this term and delivered an impressive 3-0 victory. Their brilliant performance and hard work



have earned them a well-deserved place in the quarter-finals next term – good luck boys!