

Oaklands Junior School

Learning to think - Thinking to learn

SPORTS SUMMARY – AUTUMN TERM 2018

Football

Thanks to school sports funding, the school football squad has had expert training from EPC soccer every Monday lunchtime. They have played four league matches and, overall, have been very successful.

We started the season with a disappointing 2-0 loss to Hawkedon before beating All Saints, Lamb's Lane and Grazeley by a combined score of 18-0.

The squad are continuing to train together and will play in the Spring League next term.

<u>Tag Rugby</u>

For this year, the annual 6 Nations tag rugby tournament was condensed into two Friday afternoon tournaments played in a pool of seven teams on a round robin basis. Many of the squad were new to competitive tag rugby and Round One, played at Holy Trinity in Cookham, was a baptism of fire, although we did draw with Winnersh. Round Two showed a massive improvement in our play but the first win eluded us, although there was some consolation in drawing with The Coombes. In the Spring term, we are hoping to enter further tournaments, including a Year 5 and 6 Girl's event.

<u>Netball</u>

We have had a great start to our netball season and have played a range of games both home and away. The children have had the opportunity to play a range of positions and we have been complimented on our footwork and cooperative team play. We have not lost a match this season and hope this streak can continue. Our next match is in January, when we will resume the league.

Cross-Country

We have had a great start to the Cross Country season and are currently in 6th place in the division 1. We had a fantastic first event at Bluecoats school in Reading coming 3rd overall. One of the year 5/6 boys came 5th in his race and everyone did really well. Recently we had our second event at Black Park where we came 11th, which puts us 6th at the present time. Our next event will be the MOB race on 17th January. This is where division 1 and 2 come together in Maidenhead.

Indoor Sports Hall

A selection of children, across all year groups, represented Oaklands brilliantly at an indoor sportshall athletics event held at Maiden Erlegh School. They participated in a range of both track and field events, which included relays, triple jump and standing long jump. We were really proud of the children's supportive and enthusiastic attitude towards each other and their events. The year 3/4 team ended up winning the event and will go on to represent Wokingham at St Bartholomew's School Newbury in March.

Girl's Football

Following an enjoyable and successful event at Crosfields School, we are currently looking into starting a girl's football squad

Badminton

This term 19 Year 4s have taken part in the after school badminton club. Some have played before, others are naturals at ball sports, but also we have children who have never played before and found it tricky to begin with. The attitude of fun and persevering has meant that there has been much improvement all round. We look forward to our skills tournament in Wokingham in February.

Running Club

Friday lunch time, come rain or shine, is the time when the daily mile track is used by the running club to practise running a mile. They are timed for this and their times are put up on a chart each week so the children can clearly see their improvement. We have had up to 50 children in this club, (although numbers have dropped in the winter!). It's loads of fun and helps you keep fit.

And there's more...

As well all the sports detailed above, there are many more opportunities for children to get active. These include clubs before school, such as Judo and Gymnastics, and after school clubs, including Hockey.