



Burscough Village Primary School & Nursery Sports Newsletter – 2024/2025

One of our School Development areas is promoting physical activity and developing core strength for all our children. We are excited to review the excellent opportunities that have happened in the Autumn Term. Research shows that children are less active than in previous years, and mobile phones are having an impact on social, emotional and communication skills. Sports Premium funding has been used to provide quality resources for our early years' children and we are in the process of updating many of our outside areas to benefit all the children at Burscough Village.

In October, Mrs Newsome took the Year 6 Sports leaders and House Captains to the new fitness centre. They were invited to represent the children of the community, creating posters and selecting artefacts for the time capsule that has been buried under the new building. Whilst the children were there, they were involved in a fitness session.

This term we welcomed back Divine Days Community who offer weekly dance and movement sessions with our nursery, KS1, and KS2 children. This will continue for the Spring term. During September and October, Adam, JN Sports, visited the school weekly to work with all age groups with football and team sports.

Sporting Activities - Autumn Term

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| Sep 24 | Primary KS2 Panathlon Boccia |
| Oct 24 | Ormskirk & District Composite Relays |
| Oct 24 | Ormskirk & District Bee Stingers (Qualifier) |
| Oct 24 | Ormskirk Year 5/6 Football Week 1 (Qualifier) |
| Nov 24 | Ormskirk Football League Week 2 (Qualifier) |
| Nov 24 | Ormskirk & District Year 5/6 Girls Football (Qualifier) |
| Nov 24 | Ormskirk & District KS1 Sportshall |
| Dec 24 | Ormskirk & District Yr 3/4 Glow in the Dark Dodgeball |



New Staff / Staff Training



In September, Mrs Yates, Miss Weston and Miss Lawrence attended the Sports Leaders conference delivered by West Lancs Sports Partnership at Wigan Warriors. In November, we welcomed Mr Roointan to the BVPS team, Mr Roointan, is a qualified football coach working for Preston North End and he is starting to have a positive impact on sport and PE. Mr Roointan has started working with all the year groups during PE lessons, after school, and at lunchtime, developing team sports and working on fundamental movement skills.

Creative Steps Dance Company came into school to deliver a staff training session and support with the development of our Dance curriculum, Nursery, Year 3 and Year 5 were treated to masterclass with Mrs Cresswell from Creative Steps.

Getting active in School



Following Pupil Voice sessions, we invested in new playground equipment that the children can use during break and lunch times. Following training, the EYFS team have new equipment (Nursery - Reception); for developing fundamental movement skills, which will assist the children in their daily activities and help develop their physical literacy skills.

If your child attends our Kids' Club, they may have told you about the active sessions which are happening. Mr Roointan works with the children after school and, within breakfast club, the children have been getting active with morning yoga, dance lessons and wake up and shake up sessions.



Please follow our school [Facebook page](#) to see all the activities that your child has engaged in during their PE sessions this term. We have seen excellent hockey skills, shooting practice in basketball/netball, fundamental movement skills and gymnastics.

In November, the Nursery children were treated to session with WLBC on balance bikes, this will continue in the new year. They have been learning to balance and ride their bikes safely; the children love to practise on the playground. Year 5 took part in the three days of Bikeability which saw the children pass their Level 2 assessment.

Dreaming Big...

On 6th January, the staff will be updating their skills gymnastics skills!

As we move into the new year, we have an exciting sporting calendar to looking forward to. An area that school is focusing on is the development of our school grounds.

We would love to hear from anyone who works for an organisation that has a community scheme (CSR) or they are aware of anyone looking to make a donation to enhancing the facilities of our school community.

