RICHARD CROSSE **CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**

PE and School Sport Newsletter Autumn Term 2017

Welcome to our Autumn Term edition of 'GOAL', the newsletter that keeps you up to date with PE and sport here at Richard Crosse. It has been a very busy term for our children as we have taken part in many fixtures and competitions. We have also achieved Gold Standard School Games Accreditation for our commitment to PE and School Sport. Wonderful recognition for all the hard work of our staff, students and parents. Mr Challinor

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INDOOR ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS

Huge congratulations the athletics team on winning the recent competition held at John Taylor. The children took part in a series of running,

jumping and throwing events against 6 other schools. They also had to demonstrate teamwork during both short and long distance relays. The victory was well deserved as all athletes performed admirably against some tough opposition. Well done to all who took part.





THE **SMALL SCHOOLS MULTI ACADEMY TRUST**



TRI FEDERATION NETBALL

Rugeley Leisure Centre was the venue for the annual tri federation netball competition. The team travelled with high expectations after training so hard since the start of term. The first game saw a comfortable victory against a spirited St Mary's team. The Howard also came out on top against the young St Mary's team which meant that our match against The Howard would deter-

mine which school would leave with the coveted trophy. After going 3 goals down early on, and despite a courageous fightback, we missed out by a single goal. Once again the standard of matches were excellent with all players doing themselves proud.



Class 3 demonstrate their dribbling skills

Cannock Hockey Club Visit

We were pleased to welcome coaches from Cannock Hockey club into school recently to teach the children a series of lessons on the skills of hockey. The children were given the opportunity to practice their dribbling, passing and shooting, which they really enjoyed. They were involved in mini games and it was noted how skillful many of our children are. If your child would like information on becommore ing part of a local hockey team then please see Mr Challinor for more information.

Well done to those children who were selected to represent this years KS2 sports council. We have a very busy term ahead and I look forward to working with them!

Class 3: Olivia and Joe

Class 4: Luca and Ginny

Class 5: Ysabel and Cameron

Girls and Boys Football

The boys team have started their league fixtures and although results have not been going our way they continue to improve and are showing signs that better results are not far away. Meanwhile the girls attended an event in Burton and showed great promise with a record of: won 1 drawn 1 lost 1. Well done to everyone for being great ambassadors for the school.



Netball Team Meet England Star

Our netball team was invited to Five Ways Primary School recently for an opportunity to meet England netballer, Beth Cobden and play a friendly game against their team. The freezing weather did nothing to dampen our enthusiasm as we came away as 6—2 winners. Beth was umpire for the match and signed autographs for all the children. Well done girls.

Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017

Many thanks to the all the parents who helped to collect the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers at the end of last term. Across the 3 schools we collected over 8000 tokens which allowed us to purchase new equipment that will go on to enhance the opportunities for all our children. Look out for the start of this year promotion and get collecting! Your continued support is much appreciated.



LEADERSHIP Class 5 have been working on their leadership skills and as this picture shows, they had the opportunity to test themselves as 'leaders' when delivering activities to class 2. Each group selected a skill to teach and they had to design and deliver a practice that would help younger children. They did brilliantly and Class 2 had a great time!

Olympic athlete visits Richard Crosse

As I'm sure you will remember we had a visit from former Olympic swimmer James Kirton at the end of last term. James started the day by leading the children through a series of fitness challenges, for which the children had been collecting sponsorship. All children took part, and with the music pumping, the atmosphere was electric.

As part of James's inspirational assembly, he talked about how he persevered in the early stages of his career when he had to cope with the early morning training, 7 days a week. However, he was determined to represent his country and several

years later he achieved his dream. He showed the children videos of his races. James's visit was a real treat for the children and gave them an insight into the dedication needed to succeed at the highest level.

As a school we raised over £800 for new PE resources and we also contributed to a pot of money that helps support elite British athletes with their training and competitions. Thank you to everyone



who sent sponsorship money into school. It will have a big impact on the quality of resources that are available for our children.

What's your GOAL for the Spring Term?

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Well done to all those Year 2 children who travelled to John Taylor to take part in the bhangra dancing workshop.