



GREEN LANES PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORTS NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME

Thank you to the Sainsbury's Active Kid Vouchers already donated to Green Lanes. They are a huge help in buying sports equipment and are always welcome.

Please may we remind all pupils who attended the athletics and cricket events to return the Green Lanes team tops, so that other children can use them for upcoming events. Thank you!

SPORTS LEADERS

The Sports Leaders continue to organise sporting challenges for the whole school, creating activities involving skill, endurance and hand-eye coordination.

During the week before half term, on the Key Stage 1 playground, children were trying to get the most basketball bounces in 40 seconds within a set area. Congratulations to Josh Phiri in Rousseau and Theo Bournakis in Turner who achieved 119 bounces in 40 seconds - a fantastically high score!

Key Stage 2 were taking part in the infamous burpees, and worked hard to keep going through

the 25 difficult seconds! Congratulations to Oak who won that week!

This week, Key Stage 1 were rolling balls into particular targets, encourage careful hand-eye coordination and skill. Meanwhile, the Key Stage 2 playground saw many children take part in timed shuttle runs.

Find out the winning house in Monday's assembly!

Tuesday lunch time: Key Stage 1
Wednesday lunch time: Key Stage 2

BRONZE AMBASSADORS

As part of the Sports Leaders programme for primary and secondary pupils, each school has 4 ambassadors as sporting role models. Their role, representing Green Lanes, involves leading and managing sport amongst their peers, as well as increasing awareness of keeping a healthy lifestyle. The two Bronze Ambassadors focus more on the sporting aspect, whilst the two Health Champions live up to their name; promoting healthy living!

As a school, we are aiming to increase the Sports Leaders' presence, and in turn, the ambassadors too. Tillie Shipton and Chrissy Wilberforce are our two Bronze Ambassadors, whilst Jasmin Mac and Jaiden Patel are the two Health Champions.

As valuable sporting assets at Green Lanes, the four pupils attended the Young Ambassador training day yesterday, meeting with other ambassadors and receiving lots of ideas to bring back to school to improve school sport and healthy living.

The day was run by silver, gold and platinum ambassadors from Secondary Schools in the local area, something which our current sports leaders may advance to as they move to Secondary.

After speaking to the ambassadors, they are enthused, and full of ideas to contribute to Green Lanes! Great news!

FOOTBALL MATCH V ST MARY'S

After a break from the league since December, the team kick-started the second part of the league this year with a game away at St Mary's. The boys were excited to play, even in such ice cold conditions!

St Mary's were a few players short, and had to make up the numbers that afternoon, but still gave a good game, and the play was fairly even in the first half. Some scrambles in the box, and almost all the St Mary's players behind the ball, it was proving difficult for Green Lanes' many attempts to get through. Nevertheless, at half time, it all changed. Play opened up much more, and Ben was able to change the score line with a convincing goal. Not long after, many shots on target in quick succession had shaken the keeper, leaving Sidney to sweep in and take the goal.

It was 2-0 to Green Lanes at this point, but they knew not to get complacent. After a couple of misses from Green Lanes, with almost open goals, Ryan whipped a goal into the net to make it 3-0.

The boys came away with high spirits, but knew not to get carried away, with another fixture the following day! Well done to all the boys for a convincing win.

Team: Harry L, Aloaye M, Josh L (c), Rothan P, Will C, Jaden P, Ryan F, Sidney M, Ben P.
MOTM: Josh L.

Another league match against The Ryde is happening after school at Green Lanes today. Supporters are welcome to stay and watch!

FOOTBALL MATCH V HOWE DELL

After a 3-0 win the day before, the boys had to face Howe Dell in the first round of the Maynard Cup. The Cup is a knock-out tournament for all Hatfield primary schools. Green Lanes has been a part of it for over 20 years, and the boys knew this was a must-win game.

Within the first minute, Green Lanes went 1-0 up from a fantastic confident goal from Ben. 2-0 wasn't far behind, securing a brace for Ben. The team continued to stay strong at the back, with good runs from Sidney and Jaden on the wings, demonstrating good team work in the attacking third of the pitch. There were many more chances, but unluckily, they all went just wide of goal!

The boys were confident, but knew they couldn't let it slip, and aimed to get another. Within a minute of the second half, Green Lanes scored a third with a great goal from Sidney. At this point, we thought it was in the bag, however, Howe Dell came back fighting.

Their strength and determination increased, even though they were losing 3-0, showing fantastic sportsmanship and a positive attitude. Many corners and throw ins in our end led to the final 10 minutes being very tense! Howe Dell secured two goals, and made every effort for a third, but Green Lanes stayed strong and defended with resilience, with particular strength seen in Will C. The score line ended 3-2, meaning Green Lanes advance to the next round of the Maynard Cup. Big congratulations!

Well done to Josh L, who played through injury, for the team. Thank you!

Thanks, also, to Simon Price for refereeing the match, and fixing the goal nets!

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MOTM: Aloaye M.

SPORTING STARS

Joshua Eamens has qualified for the Disco Freestyle and Rock'n'Roll National Grand Finals, after placing 2nd in U12 Bronze/Silver Set Dance. He also made the semi-finals in U12 Bronze and Below Solos, placed 4th in U12 Bronze/Silver Rock'n'Roll, and 4th in U12 Bronze and Below Pairs. Well done Josh! Great achievement!

Four ex-pupils, now in year 7, Leah Courtney, Amelia Botevyle, and Georgie and Kayleigh Elmer-Roads took part in the u12 girls District football tournament, with 10 teams from across the District. Representing Onslow St Audrey's School, the girls won 3 and drew 1 game in the first round to get through to the semi-finals. After winning the semi-finals 1-0, they got through to the final, which went to extra time and then penalties! The girls won 3-2 on penalties, with some great saves from Leah in goal. They were crowned District champions, which is fantastic news, well done girls! The same four girls, with the addition of another ex-pupil Athelia Lister, competed for Onslow at the year 7 indoor athletics competition yesterday, and placed 3rd! Congratulations! Other ex-pupils, Oliver Wynne and Lamar Coombs, also attended the competition, representing Stanborough School, and won! A great achievement! It is lovely to hear the children have continued with football and athletics at secondary school, after representing Green Lanes!

Know of past or present pupils achieving sporting success? If so, we would love to hear about it! If you have some news about a past or present pupil achieving sporting success, please speak to Miss Leach, or alternatively, email the school office at admin@greenlanes.herts.sch.uk, with the email subject 'Sporting Stars'. We would love to share this with the school, right here!