

BPSS Primary Newsletter February 2025



WELCOME

.... ..to the first BPSS Newsletter of 2025. This month's newsletter includes the latest news from BPSS, including updates and opportunities from our partners

It's been a busy start to the year with lots of events taking place, basketball, boccia, golf & badminton, and NAK. It was great to see you and your students at these events.

We hosted the Primary PESL meeting on the 23rd January. Thank you to those who attended. We hope you found it worthwhile.

Despite the cold and wet weather, it's been great to see that fixtures have still been being played. We've been enjoying seeing the results come through for the various league and cup competitions in football and netball. Deadlines for some of these competitions are fast approaching. We hope your students have enjoyed taking part in them this season and look forward to seeing some of you at the various up and coming league and cup finals.

We have the NSA football tournaments and festivals coming up in February and March. We look forward to seeing your pupils in action!

We have lots of events taking place in February and March. If you do wish to attend these please ensure you book on via the website [HERE](#). Please do read the event descriptions to ensure you bring the appropriate students to the events.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in contact if there is anything we can support you with.

All the best,

The BPSS Team 😊

KEY DATES

February

12th- Panthlon @ Cophall LC

14th- NSA Y3/4 Girls Football Tournament @ Compton PL

26th- Cross Country @ Oak Hill Park

March

3rd- NSA Y3/4 Mixed Football Tournament @ Compton PL

7th- KS1 Spring Festival @ Ark Pioneer

11th- Quicksticks Hockey @ Southgate Hockey Club

21st- NSA Y1&2 Girls Football Festival @ Compton PL

24th- NSA Y1&2 Mixed Football Festival @ Compton PL

PARTNER NEWS AND UPDATES

TCS Mini London Marathon in schools – London Borough Challenge!!!

The free TCS Mini London Marathon in schools invites schools to enter their children and young people to run, jog, walk, or wheel 2 miles in their school setting.

It might be called mini, but it is a big event, and over a million children have taken on the challenge since 2020. What's more, your school gets a trophy for taking part!

The borough with the most pupils taking part will receive the coveted London Trophy, so sign up now! Two miles of exercise in your school or setting any day/days between 22 April and 2 May 2025

Entries are now open. Mini London Marathon in schools TCS London Marathon

Barnet Elizabethan Rugby Club

The club are recruiting for players to join their boys and girls teams, please pass onto any students who may be interested in joining.

WE ENCOURAGE DIRTY PLAYERS
Want to be part of a new era of Rugby in Barnet?

- Paving the way for our new state of the art clubhouse
- Producing England Players
- Saracens Academy Players
- RFU Qualified Coaches

BERFC
BYNG ROAD EN5 4NP
berfc.co.uk

Ages 6 to 18 years all genders welcome
Sunday a.m (Sep-May)
No experience necessary
A focus on friendships and player development

TEAMWORK RESPECT ENJOYMENT DISCIPLINE SPORTSMANSHIP

Apprenticeship Opportunities for your Students and Staff

Please see a range of educational and sporting apprenticeship opportunities [HERE](#) for your school staff and students. Please pass onto any students and staff who would be suitable. For more information please contact Vanessa – vpender@eastbarnetschool.com

EDUCATIONAL & SPORTING FUTURES
Approved Provider by Apprenticeship Training Ltd. Ltd.

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Apprenticeships Opportunities for school leavers
A guide for school leavers, parents and carers

Career Pathways
High-quality apprenticeship training, inspiring careers through sport and education in a school or community setting

Why an apprenticeship?

- For students considering taking a gap year
- A stepping stone into teaching
- An alternative pathway to higher education
- Earn while you learn and train.

SCAN FOR MORE INFO

esfapprenticeships.co.uk **01438 791068**

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COMMUNITY ACTIVATOR Level 2 18-15 months, including one month for End Point Assessment (EPA)	TEACHING ASSISTANT (PE FOCUS) Level 3 18-15 months, including one month for End Point Assessment (EPA)	SPORTS COACH Level 4 19 months, including five months for End Point Assessment (EPA)
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PE, HEALTH AND WELLBEING APPRENTICESHIPS

Make sustainable improvements for your school through developing a whole-school approach to PE, health and wellbeing to support school sport and physical activity.

We deliver an Ofsted 'Outstanding' rated apprenticeship programme that focuses on meeting the current needs of pupils and schools. Learners will be trained by qualified PE teachers and sector specialists to work within a school to develop and take on responsibilities for leading sports in a school or community setting.

Benefits of PE, Health and wellbeing apprenticeship training for your school
Apprenticeships provide additional opportunities to expand your sports provision and create a professional development pathway for an existing member of PE staff or to increase the capacity of your staff team by employing a new PE, health and wellbeing apprentice.

Course Content:

- Level 2: Community Activator**
 - Deliver project based tasks to support whole school health and wellbeing agenda
 - Work with the wider community to enhance the physical activity offering to pupils
 - Increase opportunities and capacity for extra-curricular and wrap around provision
- Level 3: Teaching Assistant | PE Focus**
 - Work with teachers to understand and support assessment for learning
 - Develop knowledge, skills and behaviours relevant to the PE TA role
 - Gain new ideas and strategies for use in the PE setting to address the health and wellbeing agenda
- Level 4: Sports Coach**
 - Develop knowledge, skills, and behaviours relevant to the PE curriculum.
 - Enhance teaching and curriculum planning skills
 - Gain knowledge and skills to drive the development of the whole school PE and school sport strategy

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DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY SURVEY

BPSS are working in partnership with Public Health and The London Borough of Barnet to ascertain how much Daily Physical Activity is offered to CYP throughout the borough. The area we are focused on is within the school day.

Please can all schools complete this [survey](#) and give us as much information as possible?

This survey will take you a maximum of 10 minutes to complete

If you can please complete it by Friday 14th February 2025 we would be most grateful.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Jo Eames on j.eames@qegschool.org.uk.

Recent Events

Boccia (SEND)

111 SEND students took part in the Boccia competition hosted at Burnt Oak LC. It was great to see the sports hall full with 27 teams. Well done to all the players for improving their skills throughout and working hard for their school. Thank you to the amazing leaders from St James who encouraged the schools and explained the game to ensure a fair and consistent competition. Congratulations to our Primary winners Brunswick Park.



New Age Kurling (SEND)

New age Kurling is a popular sport in the Borough, as it is very different to other sports and easy to pick up. After being shown by the Compton leaders the rules and how to play, the teams started their matches. There were lots of blocks and knocks. The atmosphere was fantastic, with everyone cheering when they witnessed an amazing shot. Well done to all the teams who attended.



Golf & Badminton Festival

83 pupils from nine schools took part in a very enthusiastic golf and badminton festival! Thank you to Ark for hosting and providing excellent leaders.



Y4/5 Wuma Basketball Festival

7 schools attended our basketball festival partnered with Wuma Sports. The festival included drills, races and match play. A great taster for children to attend before the Y5&6 basketball tournament!



CPD OPPORTUNITIES

Motor Activity Training Programme

An introduction to Special Olympics and the Motor Activities Training Programme (MATP) including theory, available resources, implementation and the national participation pathway available. MATP is a sport and training programme for people with Profound and Multiple Learning and Physical Disabilities and Complex Support Need.

Click on '[select tickets](#)' on this link to see the sessions available throughout the year.

Inclusive Education Hub

Here you will find lots of support for you as teachers or school staff to review and improve your inclusive physical education and school sport delivery. It is all made possible through the Department of Education-funded, Inclusion 2024 project.

Once [registered](#), you will be able to complete the Inclusive PE self-assessment. Then you will be directed to relevant resources based on your answers and receive tips to continually improve the way you work.

Please click on the link below: <https://education.activityalliance.org.uk/>

TOP Sportsability

TOP Sportsability is an online resource for schools and offers practical advice to teachers, learning support staff, and other sports practitioners. It consists of video clips and downloadable content showing ideas and strategies to support the inclusion of young disabled people in physical activity and is divided into five areas.

Top Sportsability now sits on the Youth Sport Trust website [here](#). A code is required to access the content including 24 Sports and activity areas including 3 Paralympic Sports (Boccia, Goalball and Sitting Volleyball).

The code is: YSTINCLUSION27

British Gymnastics Physical Education Teachers Trampoline Refresher Course for holders of the BG Teachers Award at Part 1 and Part 2



Please [Click Here](#) for up and coming trampolining courses

Children and Young People- Barriers & Motivators to Physical Activity Survey Have your say!

In Barnet, we want children, young people and their families to be supported to live healthy and active lifestyles. This survey will be asking questions about the barriers and motivators to physical activity for children and young people. The findings will be collated and used for Children and Young People's Physical Activity Needs Assessment being undertaken by the Barnet Start and Grow Well Public Health Team. The survey will be open till the end of January 2025 and takes approximately 5-10 minutes to complete.

We are asking for the following individuals to complete this survey:

- parents/carers with a child between 2 (toddler) to 16 years of age
- young people aged between 12-16 years ·
- professionals who work with children and families

Survey link: <https://forms.office.com/e/wKUbZERqAC>.

Thank you in advance. We look forward to capturing your views.

Middlesex Cricket

Canons CC will refer female PE staff members to MJCA Girls Area Chair (Laura Desilva) and Middlesex Cricket Women & Girls Manager (Dan Reynolds) who will sign up the participants. The spots are limited by available Bursary, there is no application or selection.

Canons CC runs girls cricket training all year on Sundays for girls ages U10 and U13, where we invite qualified female coaches to train the girls, up to 18 girls in each session, and 2 - 3 female coaches, for which Club has a budget indicatively £20-£25 per hour.

This builds out a self sustainable ecosystem that connects our local Barnet schools, PE staff & club cricket - so that deserving children progress into county pathway.

<https://www.middlesexccc.com/page/coach-development-courses>

Happy to receive a phone call 07818488159



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