

# BPSS Primary Newsletter June 2025



## WELCOME

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

We are two Primary Athletics down with two more to go at the end of June! It has been brilliant to see your pupils compete at such a high level. We look forward to the last two in June!

We have the Livingstone B&C Football Festival coming up! If any of your children were not able to represent the school football team this year, this is the perfect event for that.

We also have the exciting BBN1 taking place on the 18th June at the Stone X indoor track. Loads of stations filled with exciting activities for your pupils!

Applications to apply for this years school games mark open on the 30th April. This award recognises all the great work you're doing within your schools. Please contact us if you need support completing the application. This year each school that completes their SGM application enters the chance to win £250 for their school!

We have had tennis events, football and netball leagues coming to an end! Such a busy term filled with brilliant events.

Join us at Burnt Oak LC for the KS1 Summer Festival outside on the astro! This event will be filled with a variety of summer sports for your pupils to explore and enjoy!

Our summer events are available to book now! If you 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

### June

12th- Y5&6 Girls & Mixed  
Dynamos Cricket Tournament  
@ OECC

18th- BBN1 @ Stone X

25th- Primary Athletics @  
Stone X

27th- Primary Athletics @  
Stone X

### July

9th- KS1 C4L Summer Festival  
@ Burnt Oak LC

11th- Livingstone B&C Festival  
@ Livingstone Primary School

# Recent Events

## Sitting Volleyball (Yr3&4, Yr5&6)

It was a fantastic morning at Ark Pioneer Academy, where 78 pupils from Yr3 - 6 came and learnt the skills required for sitting volleyball before competing against each other in matches. After some warm up skills learning how to move, pass, serve and score with their school staff the matches were lots of fun. Congratulations to all who took part in creating such an exciting environment and to our winners Brunswick Park (Yr3&4) and The Orion (Yr5&6).



## Primary Netball League 2025

Well done to all of the schools that competed in this year's primary netball league. Thank you for all of the teachers and coaches hard work in getting so many fixtures completed this year, with some very close games. We hope both you and your students have enjoyed participating in the league.

Congratulations to our group winners: Group 1 – Goldbeaters Group 2 – Brookland Juniors Group 3 – Hendon Prep Group 4 – Underhill Group 5 – Church Hill Group 6 – Moss Hall Playoffs for these schools took place on 26th March – the winners were Brookfield School - Congratulations.

## Netball Bees Festival

The Year 5&6 netball bees festival took place on Wednesday 2nd April 2025. Students from 19 schools who have not yet taken part in a netball event for their school got the opportunity to take part in lots of games. Every school played at least 5 games and all students rotated around the positions to get a great idea of the game. Well done to everyone who took part. Thank you to The Copthall School for hosting and providing us with some brilliant leaders for the day.

## Y3/4 Red Ball Tennis Tournament

The Year 3&4 Tennis Tournament took place on the 7th May at Oakleigh Park Tennis Club. 16 schools participated on a very sunny day! All schools worked extremely hard and played excellent tennis. We had brilliant leaders from QE Girls Secondary School join us to officiate all of the games and they did a brilliant job. Congratulations to our winning school- Brooklands.



## Y5/6 Orange Ball Tennis Festival

The Year 5&6 Orange Ball Tennis Festival took place on the 24th April. Pupils across 16 schools got the chance to play multiple games against other schools whilst self scoring the matches. It was a lovely atmosphere throughout the whole day! Thank you to Barnet Lawn Tennis Club for hosting.



## Primary Athletics

We are currently half way through our Primary Athletics events. 2 down, 2 to go! It has been amazing to see all of your pupils competing at such a high standard. We look forward to our last 2 events. Congratulations to our overall winners on the days- Meet 1- All Saints NW2 Meet 2- St Pauls.



# PARTNER NEWS AND UPDATES



## Sport In Mind

### Free Sport In Mind Workshops

**Did you know?**  
Fewer than 50% of children and young people are reaching the government's recommended 60 minutes of exercise per day and rates of probable mental disorders in children and young people have increased to 1 in 5 children.

Sport in Mind have gained funding for the **Barnet area** and are looking schools to partner with, to deliver our **free workshops** to their **young people**, based on the links between physical activity and positive mental health. Our aim as a charity is to **transform the lives and mental health of young people through sport and physical activity.**

Our workshops are designed to act as a **preventative tool** to help young people understand what good mental health looks like and the links between physical activity and positive mental health. In this time, we engage the children in fun games and activities focusing on well-being using four key themes: **Heart rate, Breathing, Focus and Communication.** We deliver age- and stage-appropriate tools to **empower** them to make healthy, sustainable choices in their own lives and **self-regulate** using these tools.

**We offer**

**Workshops around:**

- Mental Health and Physical Activity
- Children's Mental Health Awareness Week
- Kindness Week
- Anti-Bullying Week
- Exam support
- Year 6/7 transition support workshop

\* Limited availability of funded workshops, spaces available on a first come first serve basis.



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### Free Sport In Mind Workshops

**“The young people left energised and with a strong understanding of how being active can support their mental well-being.”**

All of our education staff have safeguarding training, current DBS and experience in the education sector. We would love to work with more schools locally to ensure all young people have every opportunity to thrive.

In addition, we signpost young people to our **free community sports session** ensuring they have the on-going support available to look after their well-being through keeping active. They can also learn more about the charity, its work locally and opportunities to get involved in what we do.

**What our participants say....**

**“The workshop taught me a lot about myself”**      **“Good for understanding wellbeing”**      **“It helped me to be myself and express myself”**  
**“Relaxing and interesting”**      **“This will be helpful forever”**

For more information or any questions regarding the education programme, please get in touch:  
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## Invite to LYG Dance Finals

On Friday 4th July 2025 London Youth Games will be hosting this year's Dance competition for schools across London at the Copper Box, Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, London E20 3HB. This is always such a fantastic event with young people creating the most wonderful dance routines across these disciplines: KS3, SEND and KS4. Our Barnet representatives are Northway (SEND), St Michael's (KS3) and Archer (KS4). We really want to give the dancers an incredible environment to perform in and to showcase their talent so would like to invite your school to bring a group to watch on the day. If you would like to bring a group, please use the following link: Dance Spectator Sign Up. Numbers will be limited so first come first served. The competition will run from 9-5pm, please feel free to arrive and depart at your convenience.

## 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 ENS 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](mailto:vpender@eastbarnetschool.com)

**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

**APPRENTICESHIPS IN SCHOOLS**

**COMMUNITY ACTIVATOR Level 2**  
15-15 months, including one month for End Point Assessment (EPA)

**TEACHING ASSISTANT (PE FOCUS) Level 3**  
15-15 months, including one month for End Point Assessment (EPA)

**SPORTS COACH Level 4**  
19 months, including five months for End Point Assessment (EPA)

**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

Visit: [sportingfuturestraining.co.uk](http://sportingfuturestraining.co.uk) | Tel: 01438 791068

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	Learner Links	Employer Links
Level 2 Community Activator	<a href="#">Level 2 Community Activator</a>	<a href="#">PE Apprenticeship: Level 2 Community Activator - Educational and Sporting Futures</a>
Level 3 Teaching Assistant (with a PE focus)	<a href="#">Level 3 Teaching Assistant (with a PE focus)</a>	<a href="#">Teaching-Assistant with PE, Health and Well-Being Focus - Educational and Sporting Futures</a>
Level 4 Sports Coach	<a href="#">Level 4 Sports Coach Learner Information</a>	<a href="#">Sports Coach Apprenticeship - Educational and Sporting Futures</a>
Level 3 Classroom Teaching Assistant (with a SEND focus)	<a href="#">Level 3 Teaching Assistant Classroom</a>	<a href="#">Level 3 Teaching Assistant including specialist SEND training - Educational and Sporting Futures</a>

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Level 3 Early Years Educator	<a href="#">Level 3 Early Years Practitioner</a>	<a href="#">Early Years Apprenticeships - Educational and Sporting Futures</a>
Level 7 Senior Leader + NPQSL		<a href="#">Level 7 Senior Leader with NPQSL</a>
Advanced SEND Leader Level 7 Senior Leader Apprenticeship		<a href="#">Advanced SEND Leader Level 7 Senior Leader Apprenticeship</a>
Level 5 Specialist Teaching Assistant		<a href="#">Level 5 Specialist Teaching Assistant</a>

## 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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