

# BPSS Primary Newsletter November 2021



## WELCOME

.... we hope you had a restful and enjoyable half term break, however you chose to spend it.

Prior to half term we were delighted to host our first face to face inter school events for over 18 months. 400 enthusiastic young runners from 30 primary schools turned out at Copthall Playing Fields and Oakhill Park for the first Cross Country meets of the season. A big thank you to Ty Holden from Shaftesbury Barnet Harriers for his expertise as usual and our helpers from Brunswick Park (Alfie), East Barnet (Rose) and St James' leaders, who helped marshal the courses.

Looking ahead to autumn term 2. On 12<sup>th</sup> November we have our Movement Festival which promises to be a fun and engaging experience for the least active Year 3&4 pupils, featuring a variety of activities focused around Gymnastics, Dance and cheerleading. This event is now fully booked, but if you are interested in these types of events, please contact your SGO. Next up, we are hosting a Teach Active CPD on 29<sup>th</sup> November. Are you keen to be an active school? This CPD aims to explore how physically active learning (in Maths & English) can significantly impact on well-being and academic achievement.

We end the calendar year with our KS1 Christmas Festival, don't forget your festive jumpers and hats!

All our confirmed events for the remainder of this term and the upcoming spring term are now bookable online. We are continually updating our events calendar, with more events planned.

It was great to see so many SENDCo's and PE leads at the Inclusion/SEND meeting before half term. There was a lot of information shared and lots of events and training to come. If you would like more information on Inclusion/SEND, please get in touch with Caroline Connell.

For a second year running, BPSS will be leading on the [Barclays Girls' Football Schools Partnership](#) for the borough. This is a nationwide scheme that aims to mainstream football in schools for girls. Further information can be found attached to this newsletter.

Lastly, don't forget the deadline to submit your application for the Barnet Dance Festival is this Friday (5<sup>th</sup> November). For more information or to register, please click [here](#).

As always, please let us know if there is anything we can help support you with.

All the best, The BPSS Team ☺

## Up and Coming BPSS Events...

### November:

12<sup>th</sup> – Year 3&4 Movement Festival (Fully Booked)

19<sup>th</sup> – Year 5&6 Saracens Tag Rugby Festival

24<sup>th</sup> – Boccia "Come Try It!" SEND/Inclusion

29<sup>th</sup> – Teach Active CPD

### December;

2<sup>nd</sup> – KS1 Christmas Festival

### January ;

19<sup>th</sup> – Year 3&4 New Age Kurling (SEND)

27<sup>th</sup> – Year 5&6 Girls Football

### February ;

3<sup>rd</sup> – Year 5&6 Mixed Football

10<sup>th</sup> – Primary Boccia Tournament

Please visit the [BPSS website](#) for more event details and to book!!!



## KOBOCA PRIMARY PUPIL ACTIVITY & WELLBEING SURVEY

17,300 primary school pupils completed the National Primary Pupil Activity & Wellbeing survey, which run for 5 weeks from 20<sup>th</sup> September to 22<sup>nd</sup> October, please see attached the headline data.

The survey, which will continue to be available to schools, provides a wealth of information on your pupils, as well as offering data on and evidence for Sports Premium and Ofsted. For those schools interested, Koboca will be delivering a webinar from 4-4.30pm on 17<sup>th</sup> November to demonstrate how to best use your data. Please click [here](#) to register.

A reminder that the system is completely FREE to BPSS buy-in schools this year. For further details of how to sign up and make the most of the software, please contact your SGO.

### BPSS Partners

#### DfE Announce Updated Guidance on the Primary PE and sport premium and Grant Conditions

The Department for Education recently published updated guidance and grant conditions for the Primary PE and sport premium for 2021-22. To view the refreshed guidance and grant conditions click [here](#).

Since this updated guidance, afPE has created a 'top tips' for spending the **Primary PE and sport premium** document to give schools some examples of effective and sustainable use of the funding to ensure maximum impact.

Click [here](#) to view the **10 top tips** and further resources.



#### Middlesex Cricket – Free Schools Programme

Middlesex Cricket, in partnership with Chance to Shine and the ECB, have launched two schools programmes aimed at introducing cricket to pupils in years 1-6. Schools can take part in one of the following FREE coaching programmes:

##### Full school coaching programme:

- 2 Hour teacher meeting- Completed over email or telephone prior to delivery starting.
- 24 Hours of coaching split into 4 classes receiving 6 Hours per class for Key stage 1&2
- 2 Hour staff CPD
- 2 Hours of intra festivals
- 2 Hours Pathway engagement at club/All-star centre/street session
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##### One day school coaching programme:

- 1 hour for meeting with teacher & Assembly - Completed over email or telephone
- 5 Hours of Coaching – coaching will take place in one day where the coach will see multiple groups from years 1-6

For more information or to book, please contact Alex Hughes ([Alex.hughes@middlesexccc.com](mailto:Alex.hughes@middlesexccc.com) or 07775 330144).

#### British Gymnastics Partner School Programme, now with Rise Gymnastics

British Gymnastics are excited to relaunch their programme for 2021, with an exciting new addition for £60 per academic year. On registration a school will receive:

- A complimentary Rise Activation Pack of their choice
- Access to Rise Hub, an innovative online platform with skill videos and progress tracking
- Online CPD workshops
- And much more

For more information visit click [here](#).



## LTA Youth School Programme

Take part and complete our free Primary online training to receive a £250 reward voucher for your school. It's all been designed by teachers, for teachers, and it's all free. Take part and complete online training to receive a £250 reward voucher for your school.

To register and complete the training, please click [here](#).



### FAQ

**1. Can more than one teacher complete the training?**

Yes, schools can have as many teachers sign up for the training. However, they can only receive one £250 reward voucher

**2. What can the voucher be spent on?**

It can go toward LTA tennis equipment or for a qualified LTA coach to run sessions in your school

**3. If my school becomes an LTA registered venue, do we have to open our facilities?**

No, schools do not need to open their facilities to the wider community/commit to LTA using at a venue.

**4. Can teachers that are not LTA qualified, coach our tennis?**

Yes, qualified teachers are able to coach tennis. We suggest that external coaches are LTA qualified to ensure that schools have a DBS checked, first aid and safeguarding trained coach with relevant qualifications.

## Better Health Supports Mental Health with Inclusive Self-Care Activities for Pupils

The topic of mental health and its effects on students is one of the most pressing issues currently faced in the classroom. Following World Mental Health Day (10th October), Better Health is encouraging teachers to facilitate classroom discussions about mental wellbeing with their Every Mind Matters resources for 10-16 year olds. The resources can be found on the [School Zone](#) and are free to download.



The Every Mind Matters resources are NHS-approved and designed to support student mental wellbeing through a range of PSHE topics, featuring videos co-created by young people. The new activities encourage students to find self-care actions that work for them, and allow them to reflect on how they feel. Click [here](#) to read the full article.

## Get Ready for Maths Week, 8<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> November

Celebrate Maths Week in style with our Teach Active's FREE Active Maths lesson plans!

By signing up to our Maths Week campaign you'll receive access to a week's worth of award-winning active lesson plans and resources for your year group, designed to deliver the maths curriculum through physically active learning.



You'll also receive access to their exclusive Maths Week webinars running throughout.

Click [here](#) for more information.

## Design The New England Mascots – Competition

The search for a new official mascot for the England men's and women's teams has begun. Armed either with pens and paper or fancy design software, we want to see your pupils' amazing ideas! Character, animal or person, we want to see their imaginations go wild and for them to then tell us why their entry would be the perfect official mascot for the England men's and women's teams.

For further details on how to enter, please click [here](#). Good Luck!



# VIRTUAL SKIPPING CHALLENGES



Thank you to the 20 schools who participated in the Year 6 Virtual Skipping Challenge during autumn term 1, we hope your pupils had fun. All schools have been sent an email with a breakdown of the results.

A reminder that the Year 5 Virtual Skipping Challenge is now underway, please click [here](#) to view the challenge and submit your results. A reminder that you must be logged in to perform the latter. Full KS2 schedule below;

Year Group:	Start Date:	End Date:
Year 6	<a href="#">View Results</a>	
Year 5	1 <sup>st</sup> November	10 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 4	3 <sup>rd</sup> January	11 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 3	21 <sup>st</sup> February	1 <sup>st</sup> April

## CPD

### Teach Active

BPSS are excited to confirm we will be running a Teach Active CPD, Physically Active Learning in English and Maths on 29<sup>th</sup> November 1pm-3pm, venue TBC.

This CPD explores:

- What is an active school
- The benefits of physically active learning
- How do children best learn
- Barriers/solutions
- How our memory works
- Steps to Success



This is appropriate for PE, Maths and English Subject Leaders, as well SLT members and Headteachers to attend. If you wish to attend please book on [here](#).

### London Inclusion CPD Webinar – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 4.30-5.15pm

This will be open to all school staff and will go through the opportunities for Inclusive events, competitions and CPD and available support for London schools, with breakout rooms for region networking – so all those attending from north London will have a chance to network together. Register [here](#).

### All About Me E-Learning

Developed by the Youth Sport Trust, and endorsed by the National Autistic Society, All About Autism is a digital and practical toolkit that builds upon knowledge of autism spectrum conditions (ASC) and some of the key considerations for making PE and sport inclusive to all. Register for free [here](#).



### Contact the team for more support

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