

# BPSS Primary Newsletter July 2023



## WELCOME

...to the July 2023 newsletter, the last for this academic year.

The first event of summer term 2 saw 19 teams take to the courts at Barnet Lawn Tennis Club for the Year 5&6 Orange Ball Tennis tournament on 7<sup>th</sup> June. We had a smashing time, as pupils displayed an array of skills, you would have been forgiven for thinking you were watching Wimbledon.

A week later, we welcomed 17 PE Subject Leaders to PDC Claremont for a morning of CPD. A big thank you to Kim Henderson, BPSI Consultant, for her fantastic delivery as usual.

Next up, we hosted the KS1 Summer Festival at Burnt Oak Leisure Centre on 18<sup>th</sup> June. It was a scorching hot day, but this didn't deter 148 energetic year 1 and 2 pupils from giving their all across each activity.

We celebrated National School Sports Week (w/c Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June) which aimed to encourage all children in the UK to be active for at least 60 minutes a day. During the week we hosted three ever popular Athletics Championships on 20<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> June at the StoneX Stadium. A forth date took place on 27<sup>th</sup> June. In total 1500 pupils, representing 48 schools participated.

You should have hopefully received our latest [Inclusion Newsletter](#) and [Community Newsletter](#), with the latter

providing information on numerous opportunities for your pupils to continue being physically active during the summer holidays. Please share with your school community.

We finished the academic year in style at the Livingstone 'B' & 'C' Football Festival on 13<sup>th</sup> July. 138 pupils, representing 18 teams showcased their footballing talents.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and hard work this year. If there are any changes to your school's PE lead or Headteacher, please let us know so we can update our contacts.

You may already be aware that our colleague, Katie, is off on maternity leave from 14<sup>th</sup> July. We wish her the very best. In the meantime, Mark will be covering her absence. His contact details can be found at the end of this newsletter.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in contact if there is anything we can support with. Look forward to seeing you in September 2023.

All the best, The BPSS Team ☺

## KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### July

26<sup>th</sup> – School Games Mark application deadline

31<sup>st</sup> – PE & Sport Premium reporting deadline

### September

14<sup>th</sup> – Netball Meeting (Virtual)\*

19<sup>th</sup> – Football Meeting (Virtual)\*

22<sup>nd</sup> – BPSS Membership sign-up deadline

28<sup>th</sup> – PE Subject Leaders (PDC @ Claremont)

\*Registration for these league competitions will open at the beginning of next term. All schools will receive a link to complete a Koboca survey.

# BPSS MEMBERSHIP 2023/24

Through BPSS membership, we aim to enable young people in Barnet schools more opportunities to become confident, physically competent, emotionally resilient, and empathetic citizens who can independently and successfully make sustainable healthy lifestyle choices and pursue personalised sporting and physically active pathways.

We work in partnership to:

1. Increase participation in high quality sport and physical activity FOR ALL
2. Work and communicate effectively with schools to meet need and fulfil expectations related to participation in sport and physical activity, widening access to sport and physical activity among low participation groups
3. Support the development of progression pathways to ensure individuals reach their full potential
4. Provide support and advice to maximise opportunities for Barnet Schools through the Government's agenda for school sport and competition (School Games)

We offer our member schools a wide variety of services. We also allow non-member schools the opportunity to access National School Games opportunities that sit within the BPSS offer. Schools can access School Games events by contacting the BPSS team directly.

The agreement is for 1 academic year and the fees remain the same as last year. Subscription will be invoiced by BPSS, hosted by QE Girls' School in the Autumn Term. BPSS has a data protection policy compliant with GDPR under its host Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School. Please find all our [services on our website](#).

**Deadline for sign up is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023**

**KS1/2 - To sign up for 2023/24 Academic year please complete the survey here:**

<https://www.koboca.co.uk/bpss-ks1-2-buy-in-survey1/?q=fa23b881>

**Infant, Special Schools & Colleges - to sign up for the 2023/24 Academic year please complete the survey here:**

<https://www.koboca.co.uk/bpss-infant-schools-special-schools-colleges-buy-in-survey/?q=543dfoec>



# BPSS FESTIVALS & COMPETITIONS

## YEAR 5&6 ORANGE BALL TENNIS

Summer term two got off to a smashing start, with the year 5 & 6 Orange Ball Tennis tournament hosted at Barnet Lawn Tennis Club. 19 teams took to the courts, creating a wonderful competitive atmosphere and demonstrating their fantastic tennis skills. Well done to all of the teams that participated and a big thank you to the leaders from Ark Pioneer who officiated all of the games superbly. Congratulations to the winning team, Brookland Junior, you aced it!



## KS<sub>1</sub> SUMMER FESTIVAL

We welcomed 148 excited and energetic Year 1 & 2 pupils to Burnt Oak Leisure Centre for the KS<sub>1</sub> Summer Festival. The leaders from St James and The Compton ensured everyone was active and had lots of fun in the scorching temperatures. Pupils got to try an array of activities, including; cricket, running, jumping, throwing, golf, football and tennis!



# PRIMARY ATHLETICS

This year's primary athletics events took place at the StoneX Stadium, with 1500 pupils competing across the 4 event days.

During the morning, pupils competed in various field events, including; long jump, high jump, speedbounce, shot put and vortex throw. In the afternoon pupils took part in the tug of war and track events. The track kicked off with the sprint races followed by the 400m distances races and relay races. A celebration parade concluded the events with pupils walking around the track waving their representative country flags.

There was a wonderful atmosphere created in the stands, which provided a fantastic environment for pupils to compete in.

A huge thank you to all the school staff who helped officiate the events and the sports leaders from Christ College Finchley, The Compton School, Copthall School, Hendon School who gave up their time to officiate.

Well done to all pupils who took part, we hope all schools had an enjoyable experience. Please see below a breakdown of winners for each category;

Field Winners	Track Winners	Tug of War Winners	Overall Winners
Brookland	Moss Hall	Broadfields	Moss Hall
Holy Trinity	St Vincent's	Livingstone	Livingstone
Foulds and Martin	Martin	Summerside	Martin
Courtland	St Paul's	Our Lady of Lourdes	St Paul's



## LIVINGSTONE 'B' & 'C' FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

The Livingstone 'B' & 'C' Football Festival brought to a close the final event of what has been a truly fantastic year of competitions, festivals and leagues across the borough.

138 enthusiastic and passionate footballers representing 18 teams took to the pitches at Livingstone during the afternoon of 13<sup>th</sup> July. Not even the intermittent heavy downpours could stop these budding young footballers from demonstrating their footballing prowess.

A huge thank you to Livingstone School for hosting such a fantastic and enjoyable festival which saw many pupils given the opportunity to represent their school teams for the first time.



# BPSS UPDATES

## PE & SPORT PREMIUM

On the 8th March 2023 the Government announced a [2 year extension](#) to the PE and Sport Premium funding and the announcement that schools will be required to deliver a minimum of 2 hours PE per week.

Maintained schools, including those that convert to academies, MUST publish, on their website, information about their effective and sustainable use of the Primary PE and Sport Premium funding. The reporting deadline for this current academic year is 31st July, but we strongly recommend that you update it regularly.

Schools must publish the amount of Primary PE and Sport Premium received for this year 2022-23; a full breakdown of how it has been spent (or will be spent); what impact the school has seen on pupils' Physical Education, School Sport and Physical Activity, participation and attainment and how the improvements will be sustainable in the future.

Head Teachers, Subject Leaders and Governors will be able to use this simple reporting mechanism to ensure they are grant compliant in demonstrating effective use of the grant to achieve a sustainable impact.

Click [HERE](#) to download an editable PDF copy of the template.

Click [HERE](#) to download MS Word copy of the template.

Click [HERE](#) to view the 5 Key Indicators Poster.

To support schools in England, who benefit from **Primary PE and Sport Premium** funding, afPE has published a new document (April 2023) highlighting **frequently asked questions (FAQs)** around the grant and the minimum of 2 hours of PE expectation. Click [HERE](#) to download the FAQs document.

If you need any support on your PE and Sport Premium please contact your SGO.

## KS1 & KS2 SCHOOL GAMES MARK

The 2022/23 KS1 and KS2 School Games Mark applications are open until **26<sup>th</sup> July 2023**.

The School Games Mark aims to reward and recognise schools engagement in the School Games and to celebrate the opportunities you provide to keep your students active.

You will be awarded either bronze, silver or gold based upon answers meeting specific criteria. Platinum is also available for those schools who have achieved four gold awards consecutively.

### KS1 Games Mark Information

This year's KS1 criteria can be found [HERE](#). Schools can create a presentation or document providing examples of how they have achieved each criteria. This can be through pictures, timetables, registers, newsletter extracts. Please inform us which level you are applying for when sending your application.

Schools can send their application to [BPSS.Barnet@gmail.com](mailto:BPSS.Barnet@gmail.com)

## KS2 Games Mark Information

This year's KS2 criteria can be found [HERE](#). The application has been simplified, each question is a YES or No answer. The application can be saved so you can save before submitting. Please find a supporting document attached to give you some examples to support your answers.

If you would like to apply for this year's KS2 School Games Mark, you will be required to login into the School Games Website [HERE](#). You'll be required to complete the Inclusive Health Check prior to beginning the application, this can be found on your dashboard once you have logged in.

The team are available to support you with the application, if you would like us to come in and meet with you, please send us an email.

## VIRTUAL CHALLENGES

Well done to the 12 schools that entered the Year 1 Virtual Skipping Challenge and congratulations to Courtland School who claimed top spot with a total combined score of 444 jumps.

For a full breakdown of results please click [HERE](#).

Just a reminder that the [Year 2](#) and [KS1 SEND](#) BPSS Virtual Skipping Challenges are both live, the deadline to submit your results online is 13<sup>th</sup> July, midday.

How many skips can you do in 30 seconds? Please submit the top 10 student's initials and their results via the BPSS website. E.g. 'K.K - 30'. Each skipper can only appear once on your results!

## TAG RUGBY LEAGUE FINAL

Well done to all of the teams that took part in the primary tag rugby league this year. Livingstone and Sunnyfields met on 13<sup>th</sup> June to contest the league play-off final, with both teams showcasing their skills which got them to the final in the first place. Congratulations to Livingstone who won a very entertaining final 5 - 4. A big well done to the runners up, Sunnyfields.



## ALMA SCHOOL - NATIONAL SMALL SCHOOL CHAMPIONS



Alma Primary School were crowned the best small footballing school in the country on 7th June after winning the ESFA National Cup, sponsored by Pokemon. With over 5000 schools entering the competition, Alma navigated their way through the various qualifiers, before meeting other regional winners at Leicester City's King Power Stadium.

This latest success tops of a fantastic season, having won the treble consisting of the Dick Bailey Cup, Central League and Central Cup.

Coach Alex Norman said, "the school supports and understands the value of sport within an educational setting. The team has given so much to so many in terms of improved confidence, camaraderie across the school and has provided opportunities to children that they will never experience again. The memories will last forever and seeing the whole school watch the live broadcast of the matches was amazing. There has been a great atmosphere around the school over the last week".

## CRICKET LEAGUE WINNERS

Well done to all those schools who participated in this year's Primary Cricket League and congratulations to the three area winners, Akiva, Foulds and Hendon Prep. With England currently 2-1 down in The Ashes series, maybe they could do with the talented players we have in Barnet.



## LIVINGSTONE GIRLS' FOOTBALL – TREBLE WINNERS



A huge congratulations to Livingstone Girls' Football Team on their fantastic achievements this season in securing the treble. This included winning the Year 5&6 Powerleague Tournament, Central League and most recently the John King Trophy.

Having won the right to represent the borough at the School Games Finals, having won the previous borough tournament, the team represented Barnet superbly and finished third out of 30 other London boroughs.

## OPENING SCHOOLS FACILITIES FUNDING

We would like to congratulate the following 16 schools for obtaining Opening Schools Facilities Funding in April 2023.

This funding will be supporting the schools and their communities with more sports and physical activity opportunities over the next 2 years.

We generated over £140,000 into Barnet schools by successfully applying for these funds. Good luck to all the schools involved in some amazing projects over the next 2 years.

Ark Pioneer Academy	Hollickwood Primary School
Bishop Douglass School Finchley	JCoSS
Brunswick Park Primary and Nursery School	London Academy
Childs Hill Primary School	Millbrook Park Primary School
Church Hill School	Northside Primary School
Claremont Primary School	Saracens High School
East Barnet School	Underhill School
Edgware Primary School	Wessex Gardens Primary School

# PARTNER NEWS & EVENTS

## Ready, Set, Read

YST are excited to be partnering with The Reading Agency for this year's Summer Reading Challenge which inspires children to discover the power of sport and play through reading.



With free rewards to collect and plenty of brilliant books to enjoy, the challenge is the perfect summer activity to keep young minds and bodies active over the holidays. There are also some amazing activity cards so families can get active together.

The Summer Reading Challenge website is available in libraries across the UK this summer with resources available from **Saturday 24 June**. Children can also take part online through the official Summer Reading Challenge platform.

Click [HERE](#) to find out more.

## Women's World Cup Resources

Inspire your pupils this summer with FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 school resources.

There is something for everyone, from PSHE lessons challenging gender stereotypes and learning about the history of women's football, to an easy guide on how to deliver your own Women's World Cup festival.



[Get involved now](#) and bring Women's World Cup fever to your classroom.



# CPD OPPORTUNITIES

## All About Autism E-Learning



*All about Autism,  
All about me*

The All About Autism E-Learning has been refreshed and updated. This offers you the opportunity to go back into the website and do the e-learning again so you can see the up-to-date changes and content.

Follow this [direct link](#) to the website to see the refreshed module. Should you have any issues with the content, please contact [Rebecca Tyers](#).

## New E-Learning: An Introduction to the Sport of Boccia

[An Introduction to the Sport of Boccia](#) is a 30-minute e-learning workshop. Playing boccia improves lives! Learn more about this Paralympic sport and how you can play, coach and support it in your local community on this online course, endorsed by CIMSPA.

Everybody should have the opportunity to play sport and boccia is a totally inclusive sport which can be played by anyone. This online course will introduce you to boccia and highlight how you can play at your school, sports club, care home or community setting. You'll learn how boccia can improve lives and make a difference to people from a range of backgrounds. As 'An Introduction to the Sport of Boccia' is your first step towards getting involved in boccia and has been endorsed by CIMSPA and awarded 0.5 points.

Created in partnership with UK Coaching, this course will help you to:

- Know more about the sport of boccia
- Identify where and how to play boccia safely
- Try the sport from your own home
- Recognise who might play boccia and understand their motivations for participating
- Gain insight into boccia equipment and know how to adapt this to your setting.



The course is suitable for anyone interested in or currently coaching boccia, sports coaches, teachers, students, carers, activity coordinators, or volunteers.

Comprised of three modules, this e-learning should take around 30 minutes to complete and £10 will be payable to UK Coaching via the above link.

## CONTACT THE TEAM FOR MORE SUPPORT

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