

BPSS Primary Newsletter January 2024



WELCOME

...to the January BPSS newsletter, this months newsletter includes the latest news from BPSS and our partner updates and opportunities.

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Congratulations to Whiting's Hill Girls And Alma and Queenswell boys who represented Barnet at the Pokémon Cup.

229 pupils took part in our Y5&6 Netball Tournament at Copthall School. Congratulations to our AM winners- Goldbeaters and our PM winners- Martin.

Congratulations to the Barnet Boys District Team who won their first game vs Essex 2-0. We hope to continue the District Teams winning streaks!

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If you wish to attend any of these events please book on via the BPSS website.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in contact if there is anything we can support with. Looking forward to seeing you and your students soon.

All the best, The BPSS Team ☺

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February-

1st- Y5&6 Primary
Netball Tournament
@Copthall School

8th- SEND New Age
Kurling Competition @
Burnt Oak LC

23rd- Y5&6 3v3
Basketball @ TTA

29th- C4L Y3&4 Golf and
Badminton Festival @
Ark Pioneer

March-

1st- Y3&4 Girls Football
Tournament @ Compton

4th- Y3&4 Mixed Football
Tournament @ Compton

15th- C4L KS1 Spring
Festival @ Ark Pioneer

20th- Cross Country
@Oak Hill Park

27th- Y5&6 Rugby League
Competition @EBOGS

BPSS NEWS

Girls Football Tournament

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Boccia

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PE Subject Leaders Meeting

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<https://www.barnetpartnershipforschoolsport.co.uk/index.php>



Y5&6 Netball Tournament

30 teams, 229 pupils took part in the Y5&6 Netball Tournament at Copthall School. Congratulations to our winners Goldbeaters and Martin.



PARTNER NEWS & EVENTS

Biggest Football Event (8th March 2024)

On Friday 8th March 2024, the Biggest Ever Football Session is back and what an incredible way to celebrate International Women's Day at your school. The aim is to get as many girls as possible playing football on the same day in schools across England. Can you help us beat last year's total of 285,000 girls taking part?

<https://girlsfootballinschools.org/letgirlsplay2024.php>

School Games Mark Criteria

The criteria for the 2023/24 [School Games Mark](#) is now available to help you plan your application in the lead-up to the window opening in May. You can download the document by visiting the School Games Mark page. The application window will open on Wednesday 01 May 2024 and close on Friday 26 July 2024. The School Games Mark continues to reward and recognise a school's provision and uptake in the School Games against a national benchmark, and to celebrate keeping young people active. In 2022/23 over 8,000 schools achieved a School Games Mark award.

Please contact your SGO if you'd like any support.

New Girls Football Sessions taking place on Barnet

In partnership with Barnet Council and Middlesex FA, local football clubs across Barnet are delivering new football sessions for girls.

Please find below further information of sessions taking place –

Club Name	Venue	Sessions	Club Contact
Barnet Nightingales	Barnet Powerleague, N10 1ST	Club Training sessions, 6–16-year-olds	Dominic Carini secretary@barnetnightingalesfc.co.uk 07905 168682
Belsize Park	Hampstead Heath Extension, NW11 7HL	Weetabix Wildcats, 5–11-year-olds	Ioannis Mavroudis belsizeparkfc@outlook.com 07834 184126
Eagles United	Burnt Oak Leisure Centre, HA8 0NP	Weetabix Wildcats, 5–11-year-olds Squad Girls, 12-14-year-olds	Petrit Krasniqi petrit.krasniqi@gll.org 07713 822309
East Finchley Girls	Christs College Finchley, N10 0SE	Weetabix Wildcats, 5–11-year-olds	Jess Marks Eastfinchleygirlsfootball@gmail.com 07899 981401

Weetabix Wildcats and Squad Girls sessions are a non-competitive environment, with sessions aimed at making friends, having fun and playing football.

Further information on the above programmes can be found via the links below –

<https://www.EnglandFootball.com/play/youth-football/weetabix-wildcats>

<https://www.EnglandFootball.com/play/youth-football/Squad-Girls-Football>

All clubs have FA Qualified and DBS checked coaches who have taken additional FA training to deliver these football programmes.

We recommend parents to contact clubs directly to find out further information on sessions days and times.

The above sessions are part of a wider World Cup Legacy project that Middlesex FA are delivering to get more girls playing football.



Apprenticeships by
Sporting Futures Training UK Ltd.

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

Better

With the February half-term holiday's fast approaching, it's time to start thinking about fun things to do! At Better, we have a wide range of activities available at all five of our leisure centres in Barnet to keep kids active and healthy during the half-term holidays. Click [here](#) to find out more.

Better's junior gym membership has been created specifically for under 18s to give them the best start on their fitness journey. [Sign up now](#) and enjoy:

- Inclusive access to junior gym sessions, including a free gym induction, Better swimming pools and junior fitness classes *
- Up to 30% off other activities and services

Talented athletes across Barnet are invited to apply for the UK's largest independent athlete support programme – the [GLL Sport Foundation](#). All successful applicants will be given access to the 250 sport and leisure facilities across the UK operated by GLL under its "Better" trading brand. **Applications are open from 20 December 2023 until 20th February 2024.** To apply, [click here](#).

Barnet's First Fully Inclusive Playground!

I hope that you may be able to join us for the opening event where we will have the Mayor of Barnet opening the playground, with live music from the wonderful Electric Umbrella Band who all have learning disabilities, snacks provided by Fair Shot Café who train and employ people with learning disabilities and we will have coffees, teas and hot chocolates for all.



If you are able to join us please do, if you could register your attendance using this link it would be very helpful <https://bit.ly/Fair-Play-Barnet-tickets>

The opening event is going to be festive (hopefully not too cold) if you would like to pass on the invitation to any friends and family who may like to join us please do.

Barnet Elizabethans Rugby Club

Please see the new flyer updated for 25th April, for the Barnet RFC Schools Tag Festival. If you would like to attend please contact James directly. (juniorsharksrugby@yahoo.com)



CPD OPPORTUNITIES

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
Award Part 1 and Part 2



The Compton School Barnet and afPE London Region are hosting this course on:

Part 1 Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th February 2024

Part 2 Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th February 2024

From 9.30 – 4.30 each day

For further details for both the above course, including who this course is aimed towards and the costs, contact John l'Anson, afPE London Region Secretary (Em: j.ianson45@btinternet.com / Mob: 07880 796174

KS2 OAA Course on Tuesday 27th February 2024,

Session 1: 9-12pm OR Session 2: 1.00-3.30pm.

Coleridge Primary School, N8 8DN in Haringey

There are two sessions on Tuesday 27th February 2024, they are repeated so choose between a morning or afternoon session.

We aim to provide ideas and confidence to embed an Outdoor and Adventurous Activities (OAA) curriculum in the Primary School Physical Education KS2 programme.

At Key Stage 2 'Pupils should be taught to take part in outdoor and adventurous activity challenges both individually and within a team' (2014 Physical Education National Curriculum).

Achieving in adventurous situations can develop young people's emotional and academic intelligence in addition to their personal and social skills. A high quality OAA curriculum offers challenge and stimulates the development of key characteristics such as responsibility, judgement, determination, self-discipline and self-reliance. It can encourage young people to look at themselves differently and appreciate the quality of life. The increased confidence gained through OAA group situations is immeasurable and it is often a subject where teachers can find out more about the young person than they can in the classroom.

Rock climbing, canoeing, caving and other outdoor pursuits are adventurous and present challenges but are often just 'one-off' experiences hence the need for programmes to centre on the school environment itself.

We will bring the resource; 'Curriculum Adventurous Activities for Primary Schools' (CAAPS for short) to life during the session. This is a new framework, designed for non-specialist KS2 teachers, which is flexible enough for teachers to think through the process, make adaptations and encourage learning in three domains: physical (doing), socio/emotional (affective), and thinking (cognitive). The 4 booklets contain a total of 30 lessons which are based on simple physical challenge and orienteering type activities, there are diagrams and photocopiable materials throughout the resource which can be easily adapted to suit the needs of individuals and groups. The four books cost £80 and attendance at the morning or afternoon session costs £300. Both are considered good use of PE and Sport Premium funding where teachers are up skilled, and the PE curriculum developed.

If you would like a place on the morning or afternoon course, please contact Jan@hickmanconsulting.co.uk as soon as possible.

Middlesex Cricket Course

I am pleased to say we will be hosting a Foundation course at Winchmore Hill CC, The Paulin Ground, Ford's Grove, London N21 3DN. If you could share with colleagues that would be great.

The details are as follows

Dates: Tuesdays 30th April 7th 14th 21st May

Registration closes: Tuesday 23rd April

Time: 6.00pm – 9.00pm

Cost: £150.00

Link to book: <https://booking.ecb.co.uk/84n47A>

If finance is a barrier, please contact me to discuss options. (alex.hughes@middlesexccc.com)



CONTACT THE TEAM FOR MORE SUPPORT

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