

Stepgates Sports News

Summer 2018

Year 3 & 4 Top Golf Competition. The Summer Term started with a sporting event for our Year 4 children, our annual Golf Competition at Top Golf in Addlestone. They took part in eight activities where their skills to hit the ball accurately and drive the ball a long distance were tested. We got the 4th highest score out of the 19 schools that took part.



PE Governor Visit

On Wednesday 2nd May Mark Nuti (our School Governor with responsibility for PE and PSHE) came to observe the Junior PE sessions led by our Year 5 Young Coaches. This is what Mark reported back to the Governors *"Amazed at how well the Young Coaches did instructing and managing their respective groups – what a great idea this is. It was a pleasure to see so many well behaved and enthusiastic children taking part in PE. Irrespective of their own abilities everyone got something out of the lesson and thoroughly enjoyed it. Kate Barnes and Scott Todd should be congratulated for their overwhelming enthusiasm for the subject and the children that they are teaching, it was so evident that all the children were involved in a constructive and active manner, in fact they were so enthused they made me get down on the floor and exercise with them – terrific fun! Well Done."*

PE Shining Stars

This year 76 children were selected to take part in the PE Shining Star sessions. The Year 5 and 6 Young Coaches attended sessions at Jubilee High School with Miss Beard and then came back to school and taught the other children what they had learnt. Children in Year 3 to 6 worked with Mr Todd, Mrs Evans and Mrs Barnes and the children in Year 1 and 2 worked with Mr Todd.



Surrey Youth Games

Children from Year 3 upwards get eight weeks of FREE coaching in sports including swimming, judo, lacrosse, squash, badminton, table tennis and rugby. Some children from each sport are then selected to represent Runnymede at a finals weekend at Surrey Sports Park. Last year there were 11 children from Stepgates representing Runnymede at the finals. Sadly this year Stepgates only had two children taking part in the Surrey Youth Games. Luckily both boys were selected to go to the finals weekend - congratulations to Jack and Matthew who played in the Hockey Competition.



Sports Day

On Tuesday 26th June we had our Sports Day on the field. As we now have a Nursery Class there were too many children to have everyone on the field at the same time so the infants had their events in the morning and the juniors had theirs in the afternoon after a picnic back at school in the shade. The infant session was led by Sports Crew who had devised 8 activities for the teams to take part in before finishing with some running races. Each of the 8 teams were supported by children from Kites Class. The junior sessions started with the sprint races and then each class took part in four events with the afternoon concluding with an inter-house relay race.



District Sports

On Wednesday 11th July 34 children attended the Small Schools District Sports Event at Walton Xcel. There were 5 events for each year group – sprint, 600m, ball throw, long jump and relay. The children had a fantastic afternoon (despite the heat!!) they all showed incredible determination and a wonderful team spirit. Congratulations to all the children who were amazing ambassadors for Stepgates we were sixth overall. We had two GOLD medals – Sophie (her 3rd gold medal in a row) and Olivia who both competed in the sprints. We had four SILVER medals Corday and Hannah in the 600m, Artie in the sprint and the Year 4 boys relay team. We had 2 BRONZE medals – Annabelle in the ball throw and the Year 3 boys relay team. Congratulations to the Year 4 team who finished 3rd overall.



Sporting Achievements



We are always pleased to hear of sporting achievements outside school and celebrate these in our Friday assemblies – so please continue to send in your medals, trophies and certificates. Congratulations to Matthew Barnes who was selected to attend trials for Surrey Cricket Club on Wednesday 18th July.

Thank you to all the children who have represented Stepgates this year and a special thank you to Sports Crew for everything they have done this year. Thank you to all the staff, parents and governors who have given up their time to train the children, take them to events and given the children so much support. We look forward to another great sporting year starting in September.