PE & Sport at Bishop Loveday in Term 6, 2018-2019

This is always a busy term, trying to make as much use of the fields as possible. Lots of athletics, striking & fielding games and of course getting ready for Sports Day. The weather at the beginning of the term made this extremely tricky, but the sun came out eventually!

Curriculum Lessons

As well as practising for the whole school dance at the fete & sports day races, please see below for everything else happening in PE lessons:

- EYU Enjoyed a multi skills festival with year 1pupils, run by our year 5 playground Leaders. Our youngest children have enjoyed practising for sports day focussing on relay races and playing games outside.
- Year 1 Enjoyed mixing with the children from EYFS and took part in a multi skills festival led by our Year 5 Playground Leaders. They have also been playing striking and fielding games with adapted games of rounders.
- Year 2 Have enjoyed receiving tennis lessons from Ade, a coach from Banbury tennis Club. They have also played some adapted striking and fielding games.
- Year 3 Both year 3 classes have been practising their striking & fielding skills, by playing Rounders. Year 3 held an intra competition, and the winning team went forward to play in the Doug Leigh Trophy Final with the winning team from year 4.
- Year 4 After practising their striking and fielding skills, year 4 held an intra Rounders competition, and the winning team went forward to play in the Doug Leigh Trophy Final with the winning team from year 3.
- Year 5 Booster swimming sessions have continued, with more pupils completing their 25 metres. In PE lessons children have been enjoying games of cricket, practising their throwing, jumping and running skills during athletics and practising for Sports Day.
- Year 6 Have had weekly tennis lessons from a professional tennis coach from Banbury Tennis Club. They have also been practising their athletics skills and Sports Day rehearsals in between their transition days to Secondary School.

School Clubs

- With the 'winter' sports clubs finishing last term, we have been very lucky to be able to run a Cricket Club for Year 5&6 pupils and a Rounders Club for Year 3&4 pupils. They have been very well supported by pupils and the staff and volunteers who have run them.
- During this academic year, we have been very fortunate to be able to offer such a wide range of after school sports clubs for our pupils. They have been supported by school staff and local club volunteers as well as some paid clubs run by coaches. Some clubs run on a 'sign up' basis due to restricted numbers and others are by invitation only. Over 160 pupils have regularly attended sessions across the year.

Competitions

- An intra school Rounders competition took place between all Year 3 and 4 pupils. The Doug Leigh Trophy is an annual event and was played during extended PE lessons.
- BGN Family Kwik Cricket competition was held at Banbury Cricket Club. We entered 4 teams: Year 6 boys, a Year 5 boys, a Year 5/6 boys & a Year 5 and 6 girls team. A great day, lovely weather & fabulous results The girls team, our Year 5 boys & our Year 6 boys teams won their respective competitions and Year 5/6 boys finished 2nd. The Year 5 boys, Year 6 boys & mixed girls teams have qualified for the County finals.

- We took 29 children from Year 3 to BGN to take part in the NOSSP year 3 multi skills festival. Led by BGN sports leaders, children had great fun trying archery, vortex throwing, parachute games, tag games, relay races, golf and team building activities. We were joined by pupils from: St Joseph's, St John's, Orchard Fields, William Morris & Cropredy Schools.
- Our Year 5 Boys cricket team competed at Stratfield Brake in the Kwik Cricket County Finals. Finishing in top spot after their group games, the boys went on to play against Christopher Rawlins in the final. A closely fought game eventually resulted in a team BLS win. Congratulations boys! Winning this competition out of 250 schools who entered at the local stages of the competition is a fabulous effort.
- A group of Year 6 & 4 children took part in the Summer Sports Inclusive festival at BGN. An event for pupils who have not have had the opportunity to represent school at a sporting event during the year, our children enjoyed playing adapted games of cricket and rounders. They had beautiful weather and had a great time playing against other pupils from Cropredy school.
- The Year 5 & 6 Girls cricket team competed in the County Finals held at Stratfield Brake this term. Showing some amazing determination and teamwork, they finished their group games undefeated. Playing a very well drilled team from Sonning Common in the final, our girls tried their best but were beaten by the better team. Congratulations girls! Runners up from 250 schools who entered the first round is a tremendous achievement – we are very proud of you.
- The Year 6 boys cricket team competed in the County Finals at Stratfield Brake. Facing a strong team from Stanford In The Vale in their opening match resulted in a narrow defeat for Team BLS. From then, the boys remained undefeated to finish the day in 5th place overall. Another great result – well done boys and good luck with all your cricket adventures in the future!
- Our fabulous Year 5 Playground Leaders delivered a multi-skills festival for all Year 1 and EYU children. Using their training from the NOSSP festival at BGN, the leaders set up a carousel of activities for our youngest pupils to enjoy. The children worked in their House teams and had fun trying: animal relays, obstacle course, treasure chest, target throws and rugby and football relays.
- Sports Day is always a highlight of the year. Despite having to postpone the event to our reserve date, it was extremely well attended by families. Some fabulous races, amazing Leadership skills from our House Captains, Vice Captains & Sports Leaders helped the day run smoothly. Thank you to everyone who helped and lent shelters for the children to sit under. Oceans won the KS2 event with Waterfalls finishing as winners in the KS1& EYFS event. Overall Oceans won, Ice finished 2nd with Waterfalls in 3rd. Our new award Spirit of the Games rewarded the House whose pupils showed the most teamwork, self-belief, respect, determination & passion. All adults were looking out for these attributes during the day. After totally all points awarded the winning House was Fire.
- Over the course of this academic year we have entered numerous inter school sporting events. Mostly through our membership of NOSSP, but also through invitation from local independent schools and sports clubs. These have not only been competitive traditional sports such as football, netball and athletics, but also friendly festivals with themes such as summer sports, inclusive athletics and multi skills events. We have entered events for more able, less able, less active, SEN & DA children and supported them all to enjoy and do their personal best in each activity. 99% of KS1 and 97% of KS2 pupils have attended at least 1 level 2 (inter school) sports event this year. 100% of pupils in Years 1-6 have been invited to attend. We have successfully progressed from local level competition to County finals in a number of events and our Year 5 boys cricket team finished the year as County Champions.

Awards

The School Games Mark is a Government led annual award. This recognises the schools' commitment towards competitive sport within the life of the school. It also considers our extra-curriculum club offer, the number of community clubs we have active links with and the leadership that pupils take within PE lessons & Intra school competitions. We are delighted to announce that for the second year running BLS have been awarded GOLD award!

Staff & Courses

- Sports Co-ordinator attended a NOSSP Primary PE Co-ordinators Day. There was a follow up to My Personal Best. It also gives opportunities for sharing good practice with other schools.
- She also completed the FA Primary Teachers Award.

Sponsored Event

Following the success of last year's event, we were delighted to welcome GB Gymnast Laura Mitchell. She held a whole school assembly and talked to the children about her life as an elite athlete. After this everybody took part in a sponsored circuit training activity. Thank you to everyone who raised money for this event. You managed to raise over £550 to go towards play/sports equipment for everyone to enjoy.

Skipping Workshop

The whole school had a fabulous day taking part in a Skip 2B Fit skipping workshop. Everyone completed the 2 minute challenge and received a recyclable pot of blueberries. We will be introducing skipping as part of a whole school personal fitness challenge in September.

Impact on Children

- Staff working alongside Sport specialists widening their knowledge and increasing confidence in the delivery of PE and cross curriculum links.
- Inter school competitions, allowing our pupils to represent our School against other schools. Celebrating success and participation, encouraging all to take part.
- Continuing to develop links with other schools, both Primary and secondary, state and independent thus increasing opportunities for our children.
- A wide range of PE offered in lessons and clubs, encouraging pupils to try different activities.
- Giving pupils the opportunity to take part in after school sport as part of a healthy lifestyle choice.
- Giving pupils the opportunity to enjoy inter school sport at their level of competition.
- Developing links with community clubs, giving pupils a chance to try different sports, and making the pathway easier to access sport out of school time.
- Encouraging pupils to choose a healthy lifestyle by taking part in regular exercise.
- Inter school matches for our after school clubs to compete in allows pupils to represent their school and mix and meet with their peers from other schools.
- Whole School events really encourage pupils to work together across different year groups and within their Houses.
- Encouraging pupils to do their personal best understanding that everyone has different strengths – a great life lesson.
- Highlighting not just physical strengths, but social, healthy and thinking aspects of sport – gives all pupils a chance to shine.
- PE linked to class topics helps with the children's understanding, appreciation & learning.