



The Partnership post

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Woodcote School Sport Partnership Newsletter

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Tag Rugby Festival Final

Throughout March, over 100 pupils from Woodcote School Sport Partnership played in family Tag Rugby Festivals. Good Shepherd RC Primary School ended up winning the Plate Competition narrowly beating Kenley Primary in the final. Good Shepherd also took home the Fair Play Award. Both teams had been encouraging each other through the knock-out stage of the

tournament and as a result are going to arrange friendly matches.

It was wonderful to see so many girls and boys involved in the game of rugby. Thanks go to London Storm Rugby Club for their input. For more information about the club, please contact Steve Guan, Development Officer at stephen@stormrl.com or 07948 421390.



Good Shepherd RC and Kenley Primary schools

WHAT? Summer 'Dance Blast'
WHEN? 27th-31st July 2009
WHERE? Fairfield Halls
WHO? Gifted & Talented students in dance years 7-11
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DANCE BLAST

Pupils from Primary and Junior schools who are interested, please contact Barbara Richardson barbara.richardson@blueyonder.co.uk

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Festival of Dance

Woodcote School Sport Partnership was able to provide a dance teacher for an after school dance club at Margaret Roper Primary School. The Big Lottery funding enabled them to enter a dance festival at Fairfield Halls also attended by many other schools, organised by the Croydon Dance Association.



Dance Camp

Pupils from various schools in and around Woodcote School Sport Partnership attended a dance camp at Woodcote High School during February half term. There were 29 pupils in total from Christchurch, Kenley, Keston, Smitham, Byron, Chipstead Valley, Woodcote, Ridgeway and Royal Russell.

The pupils were taught street dance and created their own group work, which was then put together and performed in front of their parents at the end of the final day!

The camp was a great success and the students thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The two days were run by Amy Busbridge with the help of Adele Modeste and a Year 10 student from Oasis Academy.



Ballroom Dance Camp

A Ballroom dance camp was held at Woodcote High and Rowdown Primary Schools during half term and was well attended. Many pupils who had not experienced ballroom dancing had the chance to participate.

If you would like ballroom dancing in your school, please contact Lorraine Drolet on lorrainedrolet@yahoo.co.uk.



Drolet Dance

For the second year running, Drolet Dance, in collaboration with Woodcote School Sport Partnership, held another successful Dancesport competition. The event was held in the main hall at Woodcote High School, which was transformed into a glitzy ballroom, filled with 150 children invited from 13 schools - Wattenden, Byron, Coulsdon CoFE, Keston, Applegarth, Rowdown, Davidson, Woodside Juniors and Infant, Woodcote Juniors and Seniors, Ashburton, Smitham and Christchurch. Competitors were accompanied by a 400 strong audience of relatives, teachers and Head Teachers.

Photographs of the event are still available to view or purchase from www.danceportraits.co.uk



"I feel happy, fitter and more confident about dancing in public"
by Thomas Scarrett

Jam Free

Nine students from Edenham High School, seven from dance club and two from Btec Performing Arts, were involved in an exciting showcase at Haling Manor High School.

"Jam Free" is a London Youth Dance/Sadler's Wells dance development initiative for School Sports Partnerships designed to kick-start dance activity using the "Jam Free" Performance Project.

If you want to know more about "Jam Free" please visit www.londondance.com



For any news stories please contact Clare Nicholls on 0208 763 8772 or c.nicholls@woodcote.croydon.sch.uk

Playground Leaders

We just love to help children and play lots of fun games”
by Daniel Palmer

Trust us, you will never be left out”
by Yusuf Abdulle

Ten pupils from Castle Hill Primary School successfully completed their Playground Young Leaders Award. The Year 5 and 6 Pupils were selected by staff to take part in the course.

Over a number of weeks they learnt about leadership qualities, communication and organisational skills, preparing and planning to run activities safely. The pupils practiced their new skills during the course delivering sessions to each other and Year one pupils from the school.

The Young Leaders also prepared posters to advertise the scheme to the school.

A special awards assembly was held and the pupils' parents were invited to see the children receive certificates and Young Leaders t-shirts.



Leadership Academy

Woodcote School Sports Partnership, in conjunction with Coulsdon College of Further Education, launched our first Leadership Academy on Thursday 5th March at Coulsdon College.

Pupils from Ashburton Community School, Riddlesdown, Thomas Moore, Woodcote and Coulsdon College FE were invited for the pilot project, which will be extended next September.

The day consisted of a theory and

practical session relating to Leadership. Pupils were joined in the morning session by Andre Alleyne, England U18 National Basketball Coach. Andre gave an inspirational talk about his volunteering experiences and how his involvement in sport has given him many career and travel opportunities.

Leadership Academies now form part of the Step into Sport (SiS) programme for young people. They are designed to provide high quality regular support, training and development for young

people to actively volunteer within their school and/or community. Pupils will remain members of the Academy for the duration of their time at school and be expected to act as role models and pass on their knowledge and experience to future and younger members.

Our aim is that these pupils will assist with the launch of the bigger program planned for September 2009 with a view to opening up opportunities to all the secondary schools.

Angela Kiobel – Young Sporting Ambassador From Coulsdon College of Further Education

As a young ambassador my role is to talk to young people about getting involved in exercise, to participate and influence them by telling them the benefits.

My ambitions are to be a regular first team player at Millwall, play for England and become a professional sports therapist.

I got into sports by playing with my brothers, it was either that or dollies but as soon as I picked up a ball I wanted to be just like my brother or even better so I carried on participating.

My favourite sport is football but I think it is important to enjoy exercise especially with friends, so I go swimming and play basketball when I get a chance.

It is important for children to participate in sports because it enables them to

naturally socialise, interact and integrate with others. Sport gives young people freedom to express themselves and it also teaches them essential people skills that will help them get a job in the future.

My role model is Mohammed Ali – “punch like a butterfly, sting like a bee” – he is unstoppable, unbeatable and undoubtedly and simply unbelievable, he does everything with ease.

I think young people today should not be pressured into one specific sport. There should be opportunities to try a range of sports. This is beneficial to the performer because if they fall at one hurdle they could always jump at the next. It is important that young people are taught the basic skills for all sports.

I say give sport a chance, nobody can tell you what you can and cannot achieve, it is up to you. Remember to achieve and believe in yourself and on any given day, an underdog can rise up!



Angela with a young competitor from a recent Boccia Tournament

GOOD NEWS

Cycle Camp

During February half term Woodcote Sports Partnership accessed some funding to run a cycle camp at Woodcote High School. Pupils learnt racing techniques and

advanced cycling skills. If your school would be interested in having cycling coaching in school, please contact Ric Jamieson at British Cycling who can arrange to come in and deliver sessions. ricjamieson@britishcycling.org.uk



Table Top Festival

Children from local special schools and primary schools came to Thomas More Catholic School to take part in a festival of exciting games and challenges. The

theme was aiming and Thomas More sports leaders helped the children get objects from magnetic darts, table tennis balls and shuttlecocks to Boccia balls into containers and targets of all shapes and sizes.



Cyber Coach Day



This was an all day event held at Addington High School where Year 5 and 6 children from Applegarth, Wolsey, Fairchildes, Good Shepherd and Castle Hill Primary schools and students from Addington High were able to participate in this fun and new virtual dance experience.

Castle Hill was invited to have a time allocated for their autistic unit, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

Cyber Coach creates a life size dance instructor on a projected screen, which leads pupils through routines. The Addington High pupils took part in cheerleading, step and a dance mat, challenge. It was so encouraging to see how much they enjoyed themselves.

To find out more about Cyber Coach contact www.cyber-coach.co.uk.

GOOD NEWS



Disability Cycle Camp

A disability cycle camp was held at Croydon Arena in conjunction with Wheels for Wellbeing. Pupils and their siblings were given the opportunity to try a variety of different

2, 3 or 4 wheeled bicycles. For more information about sessions at Croydon Arena, please contact Janet Paske on www.wheelsforwellbeing.org.uk



Multi Skills Festival

Children from the Thomas More family of schools trying out lots of new fun activities to improve footwork, balance and ball skills at their recent Multi Skills Festival. Well done sports leaders from Thomas More who helped!



Mini Olympics



Hundreds of pupils from Keystage 1 are currently taking part in a "Virtual Mini Olympics" competition. The children compete at their own school but the results are

recorded and will be compared across the Partnership.

The events include running, jumping, throwing and a steady hand buzz game.



Croydon Primary High Five Netball Competition 2009

St Aidans Primary

"It is a really good feeling when we reach our goal"



Sports Leaders from Woodcote High

The Croydon Primary Schools inaugural High Five Netball tournament took place at Woodcote High School on Thursday 26th March 2009. It was a very wet and windy day that saw 15 mixed teams from across the Borough taking part. Ten young leaders from Woodcote High School and coaching leaders from Woodcote's "Netball 4 All" community club helped out during the afternoon officiating and managing teams.

After the initial group games, the winners and runners up went through to the knock-out quarter finals. Two games went to

penalties! The eventual finalists were St Aidans (Woodcote SSP) and St Chad's (Archbishop Lanfranc SSP). At the final whistle the score was 1-1, yet again the 'Golden Goal' had to be played. St Chad's became the Borough champions with the very worthy runners up position being awarded to St Aidans.

Each of these teams along, with Beaumont Primary, now has the opportunity to represent their School Sport Partnership at the London Regional Man Group High Five Festival in June. Good luck to you all.



Netball 4 All starts on Thursday 18 June. For more information, please call Mrs Nicholls on 020 8668 6464 ext 280

Addington Tag Rugby Festival

Teams from Applegarth, Good Shepherd and two from Rowdown took part in this festival. The winning team was Good

Shepherd, who also won the "Fair Play" award and represented the Addington schools at the Tag Rugby Finals at Storm Rugby Ground.



Woodcote and Coulsdon Tag Rugby Festival

Coulsdon CofE, Chipstead Valley, The Hayes and Keston primary schools took part in this festival held at Woodcote High School. Coulsdon CofE

were the eventual winners with Chipstead Valley runners up. Both teams represented the Woodcote Partnership at the Tag Rugby Finals at Storm Rugby Ground.

"It was the most amazing experience playing in the tournament. I hope to join a club to get even better"
by Glen Huddy



A warm welcome to Wendy Howell who is joining the Partnership team. Wendy will be working with Partnership schools to highlight high quality PE. She will work closely with individual schools to develop trackable assessment across key stages, build curriculum maps and assist schools to work towards the five-hour offer linked to high quality and "Every Child Matters". If you would like support in this area, please contact Wendy by email on w.howell@woodcote.croydon.sch.uk.

Thomas More and Riddlesdown Tag Rugby Festival

Margaret Roper Primary were the winners of some fast-moving matches in a close fought festival to become the competition winners.



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