Corringham Sports Letter Autumn Term 2016

It has been an eventful Autumn Term at Corringham Primary School.

Each term I will be writing a newsletter to explain what has been happening in PE at school.

In the first part of this term, MSP have been working with each class to develop individual and team skills. Instructor Lee will be returning in the Spring Term.

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On Thursday PE lessons, half of the pupils have enjoyed swimming at Gainsborough Leisure Centre. Thank you to the older pupils who have been so helpful in supporting the younger ones. The other half has been taking part in PE activities in school. The KS2 pupils have been developing their skills in Tag Rugby, Basketball and Netball, Football and Hockey. KS1 pupils have taken part in dancing and multi-skills activities.



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After school, on 17th October, a Y5/Y6 team took part in the **High 5 Netball** tournament at TGA where each of the seven teams played six games, winning 3, drawing 1 and losing 2 games. Although we did not win the tournament this year, the pupils played very well and improved their skills and confidence levels throughout the evening. Since then, we have also purchased some new netball hoops and balls to help develop our skills further.

There were great performances in the **cross-country** event at Lea Park on 10th November, where pupils from Y4-Y6 were selected to represent the school teams. Ten local primary schools took part in the event with over 100 pupils racing in the boys' and girls' races. Our team had been attending a weekly lunchtime running club, very kindly led by Mrs Humphries and Mr Duncan. On a wet afternoon the boys and girls teams ran around the muddy park and woods, while many proud parents cheered them on (from beneath their umbrellas!). Performing particularly well were Kate Smith (Y6) who finished 4th in the girls' race and Joe Humphries who finished 10th place in boys' race- an great effort for a Y4 pupil! Well done to everyone who took part.

Congratulations to Roxy Holmes (Y5) for passing through two trials to make the Gainsborough Girls Football Team (coached by Hannah who ran the girls football club here last year), She has already represented the team at West Bromwich Albion Football Club. Well done also to Max Fotheringham (Y5) who has been selected to represent the Lincolnshire County Cricket Team next summer.

Next term there will be a swimming gala and hopefully, as the weather improves further outdoor events. Plans are also in place to welcome an Olympic visitor in the Summer Term who will spend a day working with the pupils. Also being planned is a mini-Olympics event for Y3/4 pupils and a PE day for gifted and talented pupils. TGA have also offered us the opportunity to use their sports hall and track to do athletics games and races next summer.

At school, we now have an excellent new storage place for our PE equipment. The old garage was taken down during the summer and has been replaced by a more suitable, waterproof unit. We have purchased plenty of new equipment for the pupils to use a playtime and during PE lessons.

We have a new PE notice-board in our hall which is now almost full with photographs, certificates and cuttings of Corringham pupils' achievements in a wide range of sports. Keep emailing these or bringing your pictures to school if you have a sporting talent that you would like to share. Many thanks to Joe, Kate, Josh, Lilly and Archie! Keep up the good work!

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