



Girls team win Final at Swimming Festival

Year 5 and 6 Stafford Schools Swimming Festival, Wednesday 5th April Stafford Leisure Centre.

The girls team made up of:

Jodie Sellick-Fellows

I sobel Miles

Ellie Laycock,

Maddie Groom,

Madison Sleewenhoek and

Eliza-Rae Edwards

swam extremely well with

Jodie and I sobel coming

second in their races. But the

icing on the cake was the girls' relay team.

Throughout the festival, they

had all been swimming really

well and made it through to

the finals where they made

an amazing effort and won the

relay, in a very quick time of 1

minute 15 seconds which was

actually faster than the boys' winning time!

Congratulations girls—you deserve it!

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Lewis Hughes

New Course Record



Introduction from Mr Downes.

As the Spring term comes to a close, it would be timely to take a deep breath and reflect on a busy 12 weeks of sport and look forward to an even busier term ahead!

In this edition of the newsletter you will read about annual events such as the Year 5 and 6 cross country series, Inter House cross country races and team fixtures in football and netball. You will also hear about our orienteers and for the first time we have held an additional House competition for all KS2 pupils with an inclusive swimming festival. Also a spring term highlight is always the DANCE FESTIVAL which this year was another triumph with 44 of our pupils involved, showing how our dance

provision continuous to gather momentum. Since Christmas our pupils have covered dance, gymnastics and outdoor & adventurous activities in PE lessons and after Easter we head straight into athletics for all age groups as we prepare for Sports Day and other competitive athletics events.

As always, a huge thank you to all staff, pupils and parents who commit to sports clubs, practices and fixtures who help to give PE and school sport a high profile at Brewood CE (C) Middle School.

Mr M Downes

Bikeability Our Year 6 children took part in Bikeability on 5th and 6th January, learning how to control their bikes safely on the playground before progressing to the roads around the village.

Well done to all those who took part, you did really well!





Level 3 Netball finals at St Dominic's 11th January

In their first competitive run out for a few months, our Year 6 girls netball team, victorious in the autumn term competition, took on the other best teams in the district.

The step up in standard was obvious from the start and in short matches of high intensity, The Brewwood girls took a while to find their feet. All of the opposition teams had included boys in their squads and the physicality of the boys changed the way the game was played which again unsettled our girls.

We narrowly lost the first 3 matches, never by more than 2 goals and in our final match we managed a hard earned draw and played our best netball of the evening.

With all of the scores taken into account it ended up that Brewwood were the 7th best team in the district which from over 20 schools who entered is a great achievement, well done girls.



Year 8 netball 'v' St Dominics 18-01-17

After a 9-5 victory yesterday afternoon, Brewwood were delighted to achieve another win against St Dominics. The team were; Mia Hawkes, Alex Rawlins, Phoebe Cope, Dani Simpson, Sophie Swift, Molly Wilkes, Grace Fletcher, Sophia Wilson and

Sally Vickers. It was a tough match and both teams were well matched although this is now Brewwood's 3rd victory against ST Dominics which makes the team tremendously proud - St Dominics have also improved and did exceeding well. As a team we all thank Mrs Shaw and Mrs Dabbs for taking us to the match and giving us direction when we needed it.



Report by Alex Rawlins, Mia Hawkins, Dani Simpson and Sophie Swift



Brewood Year 7 football team against Codsall Middle

On Wednesday 5th April our Year 7 football team hosted Codsall Middle School. It was a bright, sunny afternoon and although it was friendly, there was a lot of personal pride at stake as many of the boys play together for their club side.

Codsall came into this game in good form, having not lost many of their previous matches. Brewood knew it was going to be a tough encounter and so it proved.

Codsall took the lead from an out swinging corner than was met perfectly by an unmarked player on the volley. Goalkeeper Robbie Hayward was helpless due to the timing of the connection and the pace behind the shot. However, Brewood rallied and got their reward through a goal from Richard Hanley Walsh.

During the second half both teams tried to play attractive football, keeping the ball on the floor and playing out from the back. Unfortunately, it was Codsall that put together an excellent counter attack resulting in their player taking an early shot before our goalkeeper could set himself. Mid way through the second half Brewood began to dominate possession with Dominic Jones, Ewan Jones and Oliver Boote in midfield and Richard Hanley-Walsh hitting the bar from a curling shot from the edge of the box.

Brewood kept pushing and got their reward as Tyler Jones played a through ball for Oliver Boote who managed to hold off the defender and calmly slot the ball past the goalkeeper, 2-2.

Harley Goode (Captain), Thomas Moore and William Harris kept it tight at the back and Brewood continued to press, getting their just reward 5 minutes before the end with the industrious Ewan Jones breaking from midfield and firing the ball low and hard across the goalkeeper to register a well deserved victory.



The final score:

Brewood 3-2 Codsall.





Year 5 and 6 cross country series

The annual series of 4 races, for the first time in memory, was reduced to a series of 3 due to the high volumes of rain before the first race. The course at Shugborough was waterlogged but still runnable, however the car parking was unsafe and so the decision was made to cancel the race. So the second race was held at Birches Valley, Cannock Chase on a much better evening for running; although the course was still wet and muddy, our pupils absolutely loved the challenge of racing against 100 pupils from primary schools all over Staffordshire. Regan Smith was our leading boy home and Angel Wood was our leading girl runner in .



However, this is a team event as the top 4 finishers from each team count towards the team score. Our final team positions were:

Scores after race 4 (race 1 cancelled)



GIRLS					BOYS					
	wk2	wk3	wk4	Total		wk2	wk3	wk4		
								Total		
Oakridge (O)	30	45	37	112	1	Christchurch (CCA)	25	25	29	79
Stafford Prep. (SP)	57	75	57	189	2	Penkridge Middle (PMS)	39	79	49	167
St. Andrews (STA)	67	71	90	228	3	Barnfields (B)	73	73	55	201
Christchurch (CCA)	130	105	145	380	4	Oakridge (O)	65	73	68	206
St. Leonards (STL)	101	140	149	390	5	Berkswich (BE)	78	85	63	226
Leasowes (L)	113	179	142	434	6	Stafford Prep. (SP)	103	107	118	328
Bishop Lonsdale (BL)	156	159	124	439	7	Brewood (BWM)	151	120	103	374
Penkridge Middle (PMS)	198	136	109	443	8	Leasowes (L)	145	131	166	442
Brewood (BWM)	129	185	148	462	9	Castlechurch (C)	175	188	193	556
Tillington Manor TM	175	130	178	483	10	St. Leonards (STL)	189	185	224	598
Castlechurch (C)	222	171	147	540	11	Tillington Manor TM	225	194	187	606
Barnfields (B)	186	168	212	566	12	Cooper Perry (CP)	254	264	237	755
Cooper Perry (CP)	251	213	162	626	13	Bishop Lonsdale (BL)	352	328	294	974
St. Dominics (STD)	186	235	213	634	14	St. Dominics (STD)	377	359	350	1086
Berkswich (BE)	260	213	241	714						

Well done to all of our cross country runners, who had to endure some really tough conditions this season.



District Cross Country Saturday 4th February at Rodbaston College

As a result of finishing in the top 10 at the Staffordshire district cross country race at Stafford Grammar School in the autumn term, four of our leading Year 7 runners represented Staffordshire at Rodbaston College. Dominic and Ewan Jones, William Harris and Freya Hickman all ran on a cold morning on a very demanding course. The going was extremely tough in long grass, some sections very heavy with mud and the opposition, as you would expect at this level of race, very talented. It is a huge achievement to be selected for this team and to do so well is an added bonus! Well done to all four pupils.



Each of the four pupils did themselves and Brewood CE (C) Middle School proud.



Year 5 and 6 Football v Penkridge Middle school



In a series of 6 aside football matches against local rivals Penkridge Middle.

As always the games were very evenly contested. We have a huge interest in football at these age groups and to see so many enjoying a competitive opportunity was lovely to see.





Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Schools Orienteering Championships

Tuesday 30th March 2017

To round off our unit of work on orienteering in school, we took a group of 28 KS3 pupils to Hanley Forest Park, Stoke-on-Trent to challenge their map work and running skills in an unfamiliar setting.

The pupils always really look forward to this event and it is lovely to see them put into practice all of the work we do with them in school. Orienteering really is a wonderful sport and is something we are proud to offer in our picturesque setting at Brewood.

The pupils set off in pairs with nothing more than a map (and a whistle) and their knowledge of map symbols and how to orientate their map. The course was approximately 2.3km in length - depending on how many wrong turns they take - and the standard amongst the schools in attendance was high; many of the schools local to Hanley Forest Park have pupils in the Potteries Orienteering Club.

Our leading pair this year was James Whatmore and Adam Beeken (Year 8) who finished in 19 mins 41 secs and ended up a very commendable 5th pair overall. These boys were closely followed by James Shaw and Samuel Green (year 7) in 21 mins 50 secs which gave them 5th overall. The leading girls were Esther Morrice and Molly Trinder in 30 mins which gave them 12th position.

A thoroughly enjoyable afternoon was had by all!



James Whatmore and Adam Beeken



Sam Green and James Shaw



Esther Morrice and Molly Trinder



Charlie Lloyd and Reece Jones



Tula McManus and Molly Owen



Lewis Hughes and Thierry Cooper



Finley Preece and Ryan Smith



Evie Wall and Evie Quinn



Jacob Doughty and Henry Hill



Cyra Chambers and Charlotte Fraser



Aimee Bywater and Meghan Wright



Charlie Christian and Harry Shaw



Abi Hoole and Eleanor Hayward

Dance at Brewood

Our dance provision continues to go from strength to strength both within the curriculum and extra curricular. All pupils in Year 5 have learnt a 'street dance' routine which they have performed in front of an audience in the school hall!

Katy Bagguely of Dene Dance School has worked with all Year 5 pupils and this year saw our first ever 'Boys only' dance club. These boys worked for 6 weeks on a routine to the Ghostbusters theme tune which they also performed in school.

Attitudes to dance are increasingly positive with even the most reluctant dancers finding that they have enjoyed the experience of performing and putting themselves out of their comfort zone!





Dance Festival
At
Wolgarston High
School
30th March

The annual DANCE FESTIVAL is always a highlight of the spring term and this year was no different. This year the Dance Festival had a theme of 'A night at the movies!' and our groups worked extremely hard to put together routines based around this theme. All 44 pupils go to an after school dance club, taught by Katy Bagguley of Dene Dance School.

Year 7&8 were very privileged to have opened the show with a musical number from Mary Poppins and later performed a Beyonce track to perfection.



Our Year 5&6 ensemble showed off their tricks with a Fleur East song then later shone on stage with a song from Hairspray. All of the pupils were fantastic and certainly did Katy and the school proud.

What an amazing evening - a big well done to all of you.





Inter house cross country

This year we were blessed with lovely conditions for our Inter House cross country races and the pupils embraced the competition in the correct spirit. Some pupils eagerly anticipate the competition and race hard, whereas others, set themselves a target of jogging the entire route and doing the best for their team.

This year we saw a new course record from Lewis Hughes in Year 8, who ran the 1.15 mile course in an amazing 6 minutes 39 seconds which averages at 5 mins 47 secs per mile pace! For those of you who understand about running pace will know this is very fast especially when you consider it is cross country including climbing a stile and a short section where they walk for safety reasons. Well done to every single pupil who took part and completed the race to the best of their ability.



Inter House Cross Country results

Y5 Girls	Points	Y6 Girls	Points	Y7 Girls	Points	Y8 Girls	Points
Somerford	4	Stretton	4	Weston	4	Stretton	4
Stretton	3	Weston	3	Somerford	3	Somerford	3
Chillington	2	Somerford	2	Stretton	2	Chillington	2
Weston	1	Chillington	1	Chillington	1	Weston	1

Y5 Boys	Points	Y6 Boys	Points	Y7 Boys	Points	Y8 Boys	Points
Somerford	4	Stretton	4	Weston	4	Chillington	4
Stretton	3	Somerford	3	Chillington	3	Weston	3
Chillington	2	Chillington	2	Stretton	2	Somerford	2
Weston	1	Weston	1	Somerford	1	Stretton	1

Y5 Individual winners	Time	Y6 Individual winners	Time	Y7 Individual winners	Time	Y8 Individual winners	Time
Kaia Pope	8mins 30	Angel Wood	8mins 50	Freya Hickman	8mins 47	Esther Morrice	9mins 10
Thomas Culverhouse	7mins 50	Reagan Smith	7mins 45	Oliver Boote	7mins 04	Lewis Hughes	6mins 39

Overall		
Key Stage 2	1st	Stretton
	2nd	Somerford
	3rd	Chillington
	4th	Weston

Key Stage 3		
	1st	Weston
	2nd	Chillington
	3rd	Stretton
	3rd	Somerford



Health related fitness lessons

Key Stage 3 pupils have been working on improving their fitness and their understanding of health related issues.

As well as taking part in recognised fitness tests, pupils have enjoyed fitness circuits, often designed by themselves. They have also enjoyed BootCamp style sessions outdoors and taken part in aerobics sessions. The aim of this unit of work is to improve physical and mental resilience and equip pupils with the skills and knowledge to take ownership of their own fitness levels.

Some groups even had the chance to focus on their mental health and their emotional well-being by trying yoga and relaxation techniques. With growing numbers of children across the country reporting anxiety and stress, allowing pupils time to focus on relaxation and breathing techniques is valuable.



Back by popular demand from last term Dodgeball after school club on a Tuesday. Well attended and enjoyed This will be stopping for the summer term.





Archery in lessons!

Funded through School Sports Premium, we now have some archery equipment specially designed to introduce the activity to pupils in a safe and fun way.

With protective stoppers on the arrows and arm guards, the pupils have thoroughly enjoyed improving their aim and technique. The trial with this equipment has been a success so we may possibly look to buy additional equipment and run archery as a club in the summer term -

look out for more details to follow.



On Monday 27th March, Brewood CE (C) Middle School took 15 cross country runners to compete at Perton Middle School. The team, made up of Year 5 & 6 boys and girls, competed against runners from Perton and Codsall schools. The Year 6 runners had to complete a slightly longer distance than the Year 5 runners.

The top 2 teams in each race qualified for the level 2 final at Penkridge Middle School. Unfortunately, we just missed out on qualification with the Year 5 boys finishing 3rd, Year 5 girls finishing 3rd.

Year 6 boys finishing 4th and Year 6 girls finished 3rd. However, a special mention must go to Angel Wood (Year 6) who finished 2nd in her race.

The event was well supported by parents and the runners involved should be very proud of their performance and effort.

Mr Cartwright.

Year 5 & 6 swimming festival -March 14th & 21st at Stafford Leisure Centre

A brand new event in the House Sports calendar, saw all of our KS2 pupils swim for their teams. This event was paid for using some of the School Sports Funding and was an additional competitive opportunity for all.

In an event designed for all abilities of swimmers to participate, children could choose to swim widths or lengths in 2 or 3 races. The faster they swam, the more points they earned for their team!

The event was well supported by parents and there was a lovely atmosphere on poolside where there was a sense of competition but also fun. Some children who had been dreading it, absolutely loved it and want to join swimming clubs near them - this was exactly the idea of the event!

You will see a breakdown of the Year 5 and Year 6 results and a list of individual winners who all received a special certificate in assembly. Also a special mention to our Year 8 House Captains who all helped run the events so smoothly - well done.

Unbelievably, after all of the 56 events and nearly 200 swimmers who took part, there was only 6 points between 1st and 2nd place - **but this year's KS2 Swimming House Champions are:**

EVENT	YEAR 5 BOY	YEAR 5 GIRL	YEAR 6 BOY	YEAR 6 GIRL
1 width front crawl	James Saunders	Esme Buttrick	Alfie Wright	Holly Beason
1 width back stroke	Asa Hartley	Lucy Holloway	Dylan Thomas	Erin Orchard
1 width breast stroke	Noah Norman	Tegan Head	Leeroy Finney	Holy Preece
2 widths front crawl	Issac Cooper	Emily Potts	Joshua Porteus	Sarah Steel
2 widths back stroke	Oliver Taylor	Tegan Head	Hayden Davies-Walton	Alicia Mayes
2 widths breast stroke	Freddie Downer	Eve Barrett	Anshu Rama-krishna	
1 length front crawl	Samuel Cottis	Grace Lees	Owen Ridley	Madeline Groom
1 length back stroke	Christopher Jones	Grace Lees	Alsadiar Morrice	Madeline Groom
1 length breast stroke	Jack Newall	Grace Lees	Kiefer-John Latham	Ella Boote
1 length butterfly	James Evans	Eleanor Laycock	Samuel Potter	
2 lengths front crawl	Quinlan Currie	Isobel Miles	Owen Ridley	Eliza-Rae Edwards
2 lengths back stroke	Thomas Culverhouse	Jodie Sellick-Fellows	Samuel Potter	Maddison Sleuwenhoek
2 lengths breast stroke	Logan Jones	Eleanor Laycock	Elliot Jarman	Eliza-Rae Edwards
1 length freestyle relay	Chillington	Stretton	Stretton	Somerford

Overall Results

	Y5 Boys	Y5 Girls	Y6 Boys	Y6 Girls	Overall	Position
Chillington	240	257	158	136	791	2 nd
Somerford	203	228	151	215	797	1 st
Stretton	178	142	177	185	682	4 th
Weston	178	178	126	226	708	3 rd



Fab way to end the term!! Winners!

Year 5 and 6 Stafford Schools Swimming Gala, Wednesday 5th April
Stafford Leisure Centre

To round off the term, we took some of our strongest KS2 swimmers to the Stafford Schools Swimming Gala. This was an excellent chance for some of the pupils who swam so well in the Inter House Festival to compete against the very best swimmers in the district.

In total, 13 schools were in attendance and the standard of swimming was very high. Ellie Laycock was our first swimmer in the pool in the 1 length breast stroke and set us up for the day with a convincing victory! Other swimmers who came first in their events were: Christopher Jones in the Year 5 boys back crawl; Eliza Rae Edwards in the Year 6 girls 2 length breast stroke; Owen Ridley in the Y6 boys 2 lengths front crawl; Maddison Sleewunhoek in the Y6 girls 2 lengths back crawl; Alasdair Morrice in the Y6 boys 2 lengths back crawl. Every single member of the team swam magnificently and the other results were:

I sobel Miles	2 nd	Y5 girls front crawl
Jodie Sellick-Fellows	2 nd	Y5 girls back crawl
Quinlan Currie	3 rd	Y5 boys front crawl
Jack Newall	4 th	Y5 boys breast stroke
Kiefer-John Latham	4 th	Y6 boys breast stroke
Maddie Groom	4 th	Y6 girls front crawl



The relay events were open age group which meant we could have swimmers from either Year 5 or 6 in **the team. Unfortunately the boys' team were disqualified in their heat (which they came 2nd in)** as one of the change overs was too early - they were very disappointed but will learn from this mistake.

The girls' team which was made up of Ellie Laycock, Maddie Groom, Madison Sleewunhoek and Eliza-Rae Edwards won their heat by a distance and then won the final in an amazing 1 minute 15 seconds which was actually faster than the boys' winning time!

The pupils absolutely loved every second of this experience. Many of the team swim for clubs and those **that don't, should think very seriously about doing so!**





SUMMER TERM

Immediately after the Easter break we will be heading into our summer programme of athletics until half term. After half term we move towards striking and fielding games (cricket / rounders').

Pupils will need their outdoor kit for all lessons until July and the summer kit allows white sports socks instead of the black football sock as the weather warms up. Girls who are currently wear sports leggings may also wish to switch to shorts in the summer months.

Clubs will change and you will receive an updated clubs list in the first week back after the holidays as we look to finalise some details.

A few reminders;

If pupils need to miss PE, they must provide a note of explanation. there is nearly always a way that they can still take *some* part in the lesson, so please only excuse them in exceptional circumstances.

Please label kit with your childs' name so we can return any lost items quickly. Do not bring valuable items to school as the PE staff no longer take responsibility for valuables.

In the very warm weather, we allow sun hats/caps and you may wish to consider applying sunscreen before school. Thank you for you help with this.



Physical activity for children and young people (5-18 Years)

BUILDS CONFIDENCE & SOCIAL SKILLS	STRENGTHENS MUSCLES & BONES	MAINTAINS HEALTHY WEIGHT
DEVELOPS CO-ORDINATION	IMPROVES HEALTH & FITNESS	IMPROVES SLEEP
IMPROVES CONCENTRATION & LEARNING	IMPROVES HEALTH & FITNESS	MAKES YOU FEEL GOOD

Be physically active

Spread activity throughout the day

Aim for at least 60 minutes everyday

All activities should make you breathe faster & feel warmer

PLAY	RUN/WALK	BIKE	ACTIVETRAVEL
SWIM	SKATE	SPORT	PE
SKIP	CLIMB	WORKOUT	DANCE

Include muscle and bone strengthening activities **3 TIMES PER WEEK**

Sit less LOUNGING

Move more

Find ways to help all children and young people accumulate at least 60 minutes of physical activity everyday

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