



## PE and School Sport Newsletter

Welcome to the PE and School Sport Stradbroke newsletter. At Stradbroke we always try to highlight and showcase our learning and achievements. The aim of this newsletter is to highlight and celebrate our sporting achievements not only in school but outside of school too.

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### Sporting Achievements - Football

Well done to these two future footballing stars, Harlow and Esmail. Both girls play football for Handsworth Girls and each of them have had a fantastic season racking up many goals between them. Here are images of the girls with their end of season trophies!



### Y3/4 Tag Rugby Competition - CHAMPIONS!

The Y3/4 Stradbroke tag rugby squad turned out in full force on Thursday 12th May. The competition took place at Forge Valley with a total of 13 teams in attendance!

The team stepped onto the pitch for the first game against Westways, a team that looked very organised. Everyone was nervous, including the staff! Despite multiple runs from Corbie Bennet, he just couldn't reach the touchline. Unfortunately, nerves got the better of us and we lost 2-0.

After a quick debrief from Mrs Myers and Mr Coley, we were ready for the second game against High Green. We got straight into the game and showed no mercy when taking the opposition's tags. Both George Robinson and Brandon Garland scored a try, showing their speed and strength. The star performance came from Jenson Price, a born leader, who took on the important role of organising the team which ultimately led to our success. We were victorious, with a 2-0 win.

After finding our feet in the first win, we were ready for game 3 against Watercliffe. We managed to score a quick try in the first minutes of the game but the opposition just kept fighting back and we conceded. At 1-1 the game was relentless, with both teams giving it their all. However, Harlow Bagshaw managed to make an excellent catch and set off sprinting. She dodged past 3 players and managed to touch the ball on the line. The crowd erupted! 2-1 the game finished.

Next, we faced Ecclesfield, a team who had looked good from the side-lines. It was a fantastic battle from start to finish. The work rate of all the players on both teams was admirable but neither team could get past the defence! Just as we thought the game would finish 0-0, the ball fell to Brandon who pummelled through the opposition to score to win us the game 1-0!

It was time for our last game, we were nervous as we had to win this game to enable us to get into the medal positions. It was a brilliant display of teamwork from Stradbroke who were communicating and covering each other's positions. A special mention goes to Isla Simmons who was absolutely brilliant at stopping the opposition with her expert tag taking. To win us the game 1-0, Corbie Bennett, who had been a menace to all teams with his fast pace and superb agility, managed to fly down the wing and score.

All the hard work and dedication practising had paid off as we came away champions in our pool of teams! The team are now through to the next round of the competition which will take place at the new Sheffield Eagles stadium! Rumours are circulating that the team are already in preparation with Mrs Myers for the next stage of the competition which we all cannot wait for! - Miss France





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### Sporting Achievements - Dance

This little dancing queen, Courtney has passed her dance exams with honours (which is the highest grade!). The dances she performed included ballroom, street dance, Latin and freestyle -wow! Well done!

### **Y5 Football Tournament at Birley Primary Academy**

On a sunny but breezy evening, the boys from Stradbroke arrived at Birley Primary Academy. All of the players in attendance had participated in recent dinner time clubs which both Mrs Myers and Mr "Coach" McCarroll successfully ran.

After a quick warm up, we were ready to face Brunswick, who were considered to be tournament favourites before kick-off. As we got into formation, you could sense that a captivating tournament was about to commence. Parents from both teams were eagerly stood by the touch line. Mr Matthews had given his final instructions and reminded the boys to leave everything on the pitch and try their best. It was a very tense match, as neither team wanted to concede the first goal. Mason Walker, who oozed confidence between the sticks, demonstrated some calm passing to the full backs and Leland Parker was proving to be a handful down the left hand side. Mo Bangoura almost broke the deadlock with minutes to spare, after a mazy run through their defence, but unluckily for us, his shot rattled the post and Brunswick were able to clear the ball away. Somehow, the game finished as a 0-0 draw.

The second fixture was against tournament hosts Birley. Once again, we were up against a tough opponent. Lucas Hill won countless headers and organised the defence exceptionally well, whilst Corbey Allen battled hard in the centre of midfield. Unfortunately, a loose ball broke for their striker, and despite Abel Wallace's best efforts to tackle him, he was able to tap the ball into the corner of the goal. With seconds remaining, a chance from a corner fell to Durrell Morgan-Daswell, but his powerful strike (that was heading into the bottom corner) was blocked. An undeserved 1-0 defeat.

In our final game, we played Birley's second team. With a draw and a defeat already recorded, the boys were desperate to finish the tournament with a win. That is exactly what we did. Samir Zayatte was a persistent problem for their defence during the entire game, and just before half time, he was able to latch on to a brilliant through ball and confidently slotted the ball into the bottom corner. The game ended 1-0, but on another day, it could have easily been 3 or 4.

Overall, it was a tremendous tournament. The boys played some phenomenal football and their attitude was impeccable: they represented Stradbroke magnificently. Well done again! - Mr Matthews aka Rolf Ragnick.

*Rumours are rife that Mr Matthews, just like his Man United contemporary, is set for a move upstairs if results do not improve.*

