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SPORTS WEEK 2019

55 hours of activity involving more than 500 students across 5 days ... only 1 Sports Week!

For the second year running the weather was set fine and the school were engrossed in two international sporting World Cup campaigns ... no better time for our annual celebration of PE and school sport!

As ever our timetable was jam packed full of sporting opportunity for students across the school. There wasn't a moment to breathe with the timetable bursting at the seams under the weight of activity! With so many students involved in so many different opportunities there was a real buzz around the PE block and there were even occasions where we ran out of space in changing rooms!

Below is all of the fallout from a brilliantly busy Sports Week 2019!

Day	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Lunch	Period 5	
Monday	PE Lessons	8B / 10C	7L	9A			
	Sports Week Activities	Y7 & Y8 Superstars <i>Students who have entered competition only</i>		Y9 House Sport <i>Boys Softball / Girls Rounders All Y9 students welcome</i>		Y8 House Sport <i>Boys Softball / Girls Rounders All Y8 students welcome</i>	
		Tennis Taster Sessions <i>Selected students only (P1: Y9, P2: Y8, P3: Y7, P4: Y10)</i>					
Tuesday	PE Lessons	8B	7R	10P	8A / 10A		
	Sports Week Activities	Summer School Games @ Coombe Dingle <i>Quadkids Leaders Year 9 & Year 10</i>					
		Rugby Taster Sessions <i>Selected students only (P1: Y9, P2: Y8, P3: Y7)</i>			Sports Day Field <i>Javelin, Discus, 1500m P4, 7 & 8</i>	U15 Girls Cricket Finals <i>Selected U15 girls</i>	
Wednesday	PE Lessons	9A / 10A		10P	9B / 12D		
	Sports Week Activities	Sports Day Field <i>Javelin, Discus, 1500m P1: 9 & 10</i>	Y6 Induction <i>Leaders to support</i>	Tennis Finals <i>Students who have qualified</i>		Y7 House Sport <i>Boys Softball / Girls Rounders All Y7 students welcome</i>	
				Crockerne Training <i>All 9 & 10 Leaders</i>	Y10 Girls Rounders Tournament <i>Selected Year 10 Girls</i>		
		Rowing Taster Sessions <i>Selected students only (P1: 7L, P2: 7R, P3: Y8, P4: Y9, P5: Y10)</i>					
Thursday	PE Lessons	10C		12D		9B	
	Sports Week Activities	Crockerne Primary School Sports Day <i>All Y10 BTEC Sport students, selected Y9 leaders & Y12 students</i>			Street Surfing <i>Selected Y9 students only</i>	Y9 & Y10 Superstars <i>Students who have entered competition only</i>	
		Laser Pistol Shooting Taster Sessions <i>Selected students only (P1: Y7, P2: Y8, P3: Y9, P4: Y10)</i>					
Friday	PE Lessons	10C	7L	10A / 12D	7R	8A	
	Sports Week Activities	Sports Day <i>Dry Weather (first row) Plan and Wet Weather (second row) – for wet weather, only competitors to attend field events, whole year group to attend track events</i>					
		7 & 8 Field <i>Shot, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump</i>	9 & 10 Field <i>Shot, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump</i>	BREAK		Whole School Track <i>1240 – first event, 1500 – final presentation</i>	
Track (Sportshall): Set Up Field (Gym): Year 9		Track (Sportshall): Year 9 Field (Gym): Year 10	Track (Sportshall): Year 10 Field (Gym): Year 7	Track (Sportshall): Year 7 Field (Gym): Year 8	BREAK	Track (Sportshall): Year 8 Field (Gym): Pack Down	

TASTER SESSIONS

300 lucky students try tennis, rugby, rowing, laser pistol and street surfing sessions

Each year we organise taster sessions for sports and activities that we do not cover as much of during curriculum time or sports and activities where the opportunity is simply too good to turn down! This year we squashed almost 20 hours of taster activity into the first four days of the week and gave more than 300 different students the opportunity to get involved in new and exciting activities!

Tennis

Day 1 brought tennis to St Katherine's as groups of students made their way out to the top courts to tackle the challenges that lay ahead of them. Our tennis tasters also coincided with the start of Wimbledon 2019 which only added fuel to the already eager students' fires. Players took part in a series of fun games and activities in attempt to try to improve their skills in this very technical sport. Mike and Jodie are two qualified coaches from David Lloyd who also work in other local

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secondary schools in order to support their tennis delivery. The drama of following a single tennis ball back and forth seems to capture the interest of any student and it was amazing to come up to the top courts to see the students so engrossed in their points towards the end of each of the sessions.



Louis keeping his eye on the ball!



Zara battling with a high bounce!



Matty mid single handed backhand!

Rugby

Day 2 saw rugby come to St Katherine's in the form of coaches from Bristol Bears Community Foundation. It's no secret that rugby is already on our curriculum for girls and boys however the Bristol coaches always take things to another level and played some hugely fun and challenging games with our students. The energy and effort that was given by the boys and girls that took part in these sessions was huge – it was a warm morning but that wasn't stopping any of our students as they were desperate to impress! The students loved the freedom and the problem solving aspects of the rugby related challenges they were set and the engagement from everyone who took part was exceptional! I was amazed to see how hard some of our students were working themselves in the hour – talk about determination and high personal standards! We are looking forward to working with Bristol Bears a lot more next year and judging by the Tuesday taster sessions, our students are too!



Izaac organising the defence!



Listen in girls!



Effie receiving a pass on the run!

Rowing

Wednesday saw the return of Tim Down from British Rowing to take our students through their paces on our brand new indoor rowing machines! Last year Tim arrived and was confronted with well over 200 students wanting to have a go on two machines throughout the morning – the engagement was incredible given that the majority of the students were watching but this year was completely different! Thanks to some funding from Sport England, the school have been able to purchase 10 Concept 2 Indoor Rowers and we were incredibly excited about using them for the first time during Sports Week!



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Year 7 eagerly gathered in the gym for the first two sessions of the day and looked shocked and amazed when they found out that they were actually going to be the first students to use the machines since they had come out of the box – they also couldn't believe that the machines were ours and would be staying! Tim led more superb taster sessions where students spent the first part of their hour perfecting their technique through the use of some mini challenges before taking on a team timed rowing challenge looking to cover as much distance as possible! We cannot wait to see our machines in action on a permanent basis next year and are looking forward to seeing the impact they will have on the activity levels of students in and around our local area!



Year 7 getting stuck in to their rowing!



Yusra enjoying her turn on the machine!



Dylan and Will amazed by Seth!

Laser Pistol

On the Thursday of Sports Week we welcomed Bernie Moss, former Olympic athlete to come and deliver some laser pistol and multi-activity taster sessions to a wide range of our students. Some of the students were a little apprehensive about what would be involved but when they arrived at the gym and saw the laser pistols and the targets, they soon couldn't wait to have their turn. The students were really competitive when it came to hitting their targets and it was really interesting to see those students who found the shooting much easier than others. I was pretty hopeless at shooting as my team mates Adam and Charlotte will vouch for – fortunately they carried me through the team relays at the end! Students also found out a little bit more about the modern pentathlon and how the shooting might take place at Olympic level. It was fascinating to watch the students take on the activity challenges combined with the shooting and really lovely to see the engagement at the end of the sessions where students were perhaps a little reluctant and apprehensive before hand!



Mason lining up his target!



Arguably the best shooter of the day Isabelle!



Euan setting his sights on a green light!

Street Surfing

To round off our taster session experiences, Year 9 gathered in the sportshall to try their hand at some street surfing. Street surfing boards have loads of different names, I've heard them called ripsticks, waveboards and all sorts of other things. Essentially they are all the same, two independent wheels at either end of a skateboard. The fact that there are only two wheels on the boards makes balance extremely difficult and a real challenge for a first time learner! Because balance was so tricky, the students had to make sure they took the necessary precautions but quickly got stuck into tackling the difficult challenges that included getting on the board, staying on the board and then moving! Students buddied up and were of great support to each other as they got to grips with the board. The determination and unwillingness to accept help from a few was great to watch as they desperately wanted to master the skill for themselves. There is always one person who is the envy of everyone else and Hugh Lewis was that person in the street surfing taster. He hopped on the board like it was nothing and starting zooming around the room proudly announcing that he 'had one of these at home' much to the annoyance of everyone else who were falling and stumbling around him. Hugh quickly drew in a crowd who were calling for him to 'do this and do that' and Hugh was also a great support to others during the session. A great way to finishing of our 2019 taster suite!

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Asha helping her partner!



Hugh giving Ben a helping hand!



Isobel determined to make her own way!

SUMMER SCHOOL GAMES QUADKIDS LEADERS

Our students at it again with 22 Young Leaders supporting WESPORT Primary Quadkids Finals

On the Tuesday of Sports Week a group of leaders from Year 9 and Year 10 travelled to Coombe Dingle to support the WESPORT Summer School Games event. Our leaders had completed their training at a local event just a few weeks prior but due to various other commitments, not all of the trained leaders were able to be there. Our U15 girls had qualified for the County cricket finals which took out several of the Year 9 girls who were planning to lead and a number of Year 10 students were also out on work experience! These two year groups may be two of the smallest in the school but it just goes to show the strength in depth that we are still able to provide more than 20 leaders with so many other student missing!

Not only did we provide more than 20 leaders, they also did an exceptionally good job and really stepped up to the standard on the day of the event. The event is a County final for primary schools and so it is a big deal with lots of pressure on the leaders. Our students fell back on their training and led with fantastic energy and enthusiasm during the course of the day. It was a warm day and the competition took place outside so it was even more impressive that students were able to maintain their energy levels.

Congratulations to all of the leaders who took part but a special mention to Kyle Barrett and Mursal Sharif who were picked out by numerous members of staff as going above and beyond and demonstrating fantastic leadership during the day!



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Freya BARNETT, Kyle BARRETT, Tyrese BRACEY, Hetty CLEAVER, Fergus CRETON, Beth EDWARDS, Molly GREEN, Chantelle HAWKES, Amelya HOBBS, Molly JACKSON, Finley KING, Millie M'CLOUGHLIN, Charlie MEDDER, Leah MILKINS, Jazper PEACEY, Issy PRIME, Toby RICE, Lara ROPER, Ariel RUGMAN, Mursal SHARIF, George TURNER, Maxwell WILLIAMS

Mr Turner (PE and athletics guru) commented: The leaders came good and also seemed to really enjoy things, helping youngsters and taking on responsibility with confidence. A credit to St Katherine's.

Nicole Emmanuel (WESPORT) commented: Thank you once again for providing such a great bunch of helpers to support the successful running of the event! There really was a lovely atmosphere across the board yesterday which your young leaders help to set the tone for.

It is lovely to receive such positive feedback and praise about this group of students – I hope they are really proud of their achievements and thank you for being such fantastic ambassadors for the school!

CROCKERNE PRIMARY SPORTS DAY

More than 70 young leaders help put on local primary school sports day

The Thursday of Sports Week saw St Katherine's host local feeder primary school Crockerne, based in Pill. Over 300 students ranging from Reception to Year 6 walked up the hill to take part in their sports day hosted by our sports leaders.



Over 70 of the St Kath's Year 9-12 sports leaders had taken part in training to ensure the day ran smoothly and took on the role of either a team leader or activity leader.

Reception, Year 1 and 2 took part in a multi skills festival which involved 8 activity stations and a race zone. Activities included a target bean bag throw, beat the goalie and a dressing up race. All students were supported wonderfully by our leaders and smiled throughout the day. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 took part in a "Quadkids" style conception based on athletics events and competed in a 100m sprint, 30m hurdles, shot, javelin, speed bounce, standing long and triple jump, netball shooting challenge and an agility run. Students were competing as individuals amongst their team hoping to gain the best times or distances overall. Again these students were supported so well by our sports leaders and enjoyed every minute.

Just have a look at some of the photos and you'll see what we're talking about!



Daisy looking after her team!



George running Beat the Goalie!



Anida enjoying the event with her team!

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Ben encouraging his runner!



Viktoria helping with some instructions!



Josh and Lewis enjoying the games!



Lara starting the next race!



Charlie taking charge in the hurdles!



Connor and Alfie on the netball shoot!



Kyle counting carefully!



Caolán taking charge of overall timing!



Zaeem, Matty and Isobel on the jumps!

Yet another successful leadership event to add to the long list of leadership events that have taken place this year! Special thanks to all of the staff and students from Crockerne Primary School and to Miss Ball in PE for organising the event! We hope you enjoyed yourselves!

SK TENNIS COMPETITION

Year 7 Mattijs crowned Singles Champion after victory in final against Year 9 opponent!

The annual tennis competition attracted a number of entries this year with 8 entries into the singles competition and 6 pairs entering the doubles competition. In the early rounds the students were responsible for arranging their matches with their opponents and we followed the draw with great interest in the PE office as students bought their results up day by day. A lucky group of students qualified for finals day and there were some fantastic points played over the course of the afternoon finals session!

Nana GYIMAH-SARPONG, Mattijs KORSWAGEN, Hugh LEWIS, Owen MOSS, Liam OSBORNE, Toby RICE

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Toby Rice made his way through the draw with victory over his quarter final opponent before having to face Nana Gyimah Sarpong in the semi-final. Nana's athleticism and tenacity to get the ball back over the net and in the court proved too much for Toby in the semi-final as Nana booked himself a place against young Mattijs Korswagen who had progressed through the other side of the draw. Mattijs defeated his Year 7 opponent in the quarter final before taking on more opposition from his own year group in the form of Owen Moss in the semi-final. Mattijs came through both matches in strong fashion and looked in really good shape heading into the final although the age difference of his opponent must surely have been on his mind. Mattijs' ground game is extremely strong and proved too much even for Nana in the final – a fantastic match and a result that Mattijs should be very proud of having seen off competition from all age groups. On the back of this pleasing victory, Mattijs must be full of confidence that he'll be able to retain his title next year although for now, he can sit back and enjoy being SK Tennis Singles Champion 2019!



Owen at full stretch!



Mattijs unloading on a forehand!



Hugh with eyes on the ball!

The doubles event was equally as competitive with Toby Rice and partner Liam Osborne taking on Nana GS and Hugh Lewis in the final of the competition. Still reeling from his defeat in the singles, Rice dragged himself back on court determined to avenge his semi-final defeat at the hands of his now doubles opponent Nana Gyimah Sarpong. Toby and Liam are both previous finalists from the singles draw so were absolute favourites to take the title. As things turned out Toby and Liam secured victory which softened the blow from earlier in the day. Congratulations to Toby and Liam – SK Tennis Doubles Champions 2019!

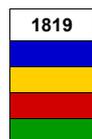


SUMMER HOUSE SPORT

Over 400 students turn out to represent houses in summer softball and rounders events

Students were out in force for the final mass competitions of the year where points would be decided on the rounders and softball pitches. Striking and fielding activities can often be difficult to predict and while we all had a good go at guessing where the winners might come from, we couldn't have been more wrong! Despite our hopeless attempts to predict the winners, it was really exciting to see students coming up trumps for their houses with some superb passages of play that changed the course of the matches.

Year 7 Girls Rounders



Bowler, Demi Cornick led the Pankhurst team well supported well by Ashleigh Lear as backstop and Liana Jakubaite. Despite only winning one game, they were extremely unlucky to lose to Yousafzai by just 1 rounder.

Stephenson 1 earned a well-deserved second spot having fought in all games, only losing to Turing 2 across the competition. Ellie Baker worked hard for her side both batting and fielding and was well supported by Victoria and Jess Porter. Ruby Gray was the stand out player who supported both in the field and with the bat. Winning one of their five games it was a tough competition for the Stephenson 2 side. Sienna Di Nardo played backstop in a position she plays for the school whilst Sophie Young bowled well. Maddie Price was a key batter and scored a number of their teams' rounders. An excellent tournament only missing out to Turing 2 by half a rounder.

Supported well by fellow Turing house students, Toulia Hudson led the team bowling well to all sides. Ruby Forder supported well on 3rd post whilst Nellie Hall was active on second post. Winning only one of their matches against Stephenson 2 they didn't quite match their Turing counterparts on this occasion. A strong Turing 2 side with a number of the school rounders team in were dominant in all games. A 100% win record across all games was down to some precise strikes by Maddy Thomas, Teagan Davison and Nahla Mengoud, whilst Hannah Lange and Jena Walker were faultless in the field. A great tactical performance by all to take the 1st place spot.

Leah Wardingley led her Yousafzai team well and was well supported by Jemima Douglas and Sophia Harper, who all contributed to their scores. Leah scored a number of rounders and was also key in the deep, whilst Sienna McLeary was consistent as bowler. With 3 wins and 2 losses they finished a respectable 3rd.



Sienna almost taking a wonder catch

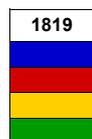


Liana working hard in the deep field



Demi leading with the ball

Year 7 Boys Softball



The Year 7 boys competition was without a doubt the closest of any of the boys events and went right up until the last game and even that couldn't decide the final positions. We split the 6 house teams into 2 pools whereby pool matches dictated finishing position and then which final the teams qualified for.

It is fair to say that Pankhurst have found the going tough this year in the Year 7 boys competition but they watched and waited carefully having the first game off before facing Turing 1 in their opener. Things couldn't have gone any better for

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Pankhurst as they won their first game comfortably 12 to 7. Several of the boys from the green house really impressed over the course of the afternoon but unfortunately results didn't go their way in their final two games which meant they finished in fourth. Kian Stock's fielding was excellent and he used his strong arm from the deep field on a number of occasions. Matthew Wilberforce impressed with his fielding skills too and took a couple of good catches to dismiss important opposition batsmen. Ryan Lampon was solid on the batting plate and made a good number of runs and was also well supported by Robbie Schirru and Gabe Sydenham.

Yousafzai were the surprise package of the afternoon for us and having won house rugby and football were firm favourites for the softball title too! As things played out they lost both of their group games to strong sides from Turing 2 and Stephenson 1. Arguably the pool that Yousafzai found themselves in had the 3 strongest teams in the competition – that's just the way the draw goes sometimes! Lucas Packham was excellent from the bowlers mark and really didn't give away anything in terms of no balls when his house were in the field. As good as the Yousafzai boys were in the field, they just found it tricky with the bat. Eventually while playing in the losers final the boys from the yellow house started to find their straps with the bat. Ollie Songer absolutely smashed one off of the home plate right into the middle of the runners up final, alas it wasn't enough for Yousafzai to finish any higher than third overall.

Stephenson finished in second position overall to Turing but it was a mighty close final. The two Stephenson houses and Turing houses managed to get 1 team into the winner's final and one into the runners up final. At the end of the afternoon they were completely level on points and the final result came down to run difference! Stephenson 2 lost their first game to Turing 1 but quickly managed to get back on track and into the final. Monty Faulkner, Jacob Lambert, Cosmo Browne and Harvey Niemczyk stepped up for Stephenson but they fell short in the final despite gathering much needed points for the red house. Stephenson 1 were rocked after losing their first game but came back extremely strongly in their latter matches. Charlie Topp was dominant in the field and seemed to be under every high ball and behind anything struck along the floor. Jack Sloman was strong off of the batting plate and smashed a good number of much needed runs for his house. In combination with Dillan Faulkner who took on bowling duties – the Stephenson 1 boys did themselves proud and ended up winning the runners up final in a close game with Turing 1.

The Turing boys were absolutely delighted to finish up as winners and boys from both teams deserve great credit for their performances. This time around Turing 1 were determined to finish higher up the standings and there were some excellent performances from some of the boys in blue. Tom Stancliffe was firing the ball around in the field and showed how impressive his left arm was – his accurate and fast throwing dismissed a number of batsmen who thought they were going to be safe at home. Will Young and JJ McLoughlin smashed a few runs off of the plate and that was enough for Turing 1 to finish in fourth overall. Turing 2 were successful in their opening group game and just seemed to gather momentum throughout the tournament. Jake Packham might have holed out in the first innings of the first game but completely took charge in the field and used all of his tactical and strategic knowledge to use the players at his disposal as effectively as possible. Jake was instrumental while bowling to communicate exactly to his players what he wanted them to do. Layton is the ultimate competitor and refused to let anyone score any more points than necessary. Reagan struck the ball cleanly while Owen Moss and Jack Heptinstall kept things quiet behind the home plate. Turing 2 beat Stephenson 2 in the final by a narrow margin to secure overall victory. With Stephenson and Turing level on points at the end of the afternoon the competition was decided on run difference; Turing had a score of plus 9 while Stephenson were plus 2. The game for Turing 2 against Stephenson 1 with a winning margin of 8 runs provided to be decisive.



Kian firing the ball in to home

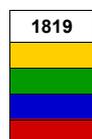


Sharp work in the field from Cosmo



Robbie going after one on the home plate

Year 8 Girls Rounders



The Year 8 girls rounders competition was a well fought contest with Yousafzai and Pankhurst both challenging each other all the way for the top spot and maximum points! There were lots of girls that arrived to represent their houses which made for an excellent competition and one that was played in a great spirit!



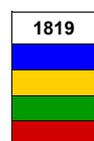
The Stephenson girls battled hard throughout the competition but suffered a string of unfortunate results against the other houses which meant that they had to settle for last place. Their best results actually came against the house that finished in second position, Pankhurst. Against P1 they won by a single rounder in a closely fought contest yet this was their best result. Stephenson actually scored more rounders than P1 and Y2 who finished in third in the 6 team competition but it was their rounders conceded that cause them their problems with more than 25 against them and nearly 10 more than any other house.

The Turing girls went one better than their Stephenson counterparts and finished in third position in the overall standings. Their best result came against Stephenson in the very first match where they won 8 rounders to 2 and a half. Turing had a couple of narrow defeats to both P1 and P2 which was impressive given the green house's finishing position overall however it was results that mattered and there weren't enough that went Turing's way for them to finish any higher.

Pankhurst finished in second position overall after taking Yousafzai all the way. Pankhurst 2 finished second in the 6 team competition winning three of their games and drawing 1. Their tie came against Y1 who actually finished top of the 6 team competition and had they not lost to Y2, they would have finished top of the competition unbeaten! As it was Pankhurst scored an average of 3 and a half rounders per game to take the silver medal position.

Yousafzai finished top of the pile with their two house teams finishing in 1st and 3rd place in the 6 team competition. Yousafzai 1 were unbeaten all afternoon while their yellow house mates also enjoyed a successful afternoon. The yellow house scored an average of almost 4 rounders per game and collectively scored almost 40 rounders throughout the afternoon and thoroughly deserved their 4 points from this competition!

Year 8 Boys Softball



The Stephenson boys found the going tough in the competition and struggled to get any traction in their matches. Their closest games came against the Pankhurst house teams but both still ended up in defeat, albeit by small margins. Jonathan did well with the ball while Ian took a lot of the responsibility in the field when there was work to be done. Jake Ralph also took on a lot of organisational responsibility and showed his ability to bat and field well on a number of occasions in addition to taking charge of fielding on the home base.

Pankhurst took advantage of the new rules which allowed students from either Pankhurst tutor group to play for whichever Pankhurst team they like. Pankhurst 2 managed to win their first game against Stephenson and so started the tournament on a high note. Pankhurst 1 also beat Stephenson in the losers final to secure their final finishing position of third. Cameron Howe took responsibility for fielding on the home base which is always a difficult position to hold. Mac Marshall did his level best to use all of his cricketing skill and ability to grind out results for Pankhurst house and was successful on many occasions. Kaedan Reeve didn't disappoint with his striking capability and smashed the ball a long way from home on a number of occasions. The Pankhurst boys showed an excellent spirit and competed well throughout these summer softball matches.

Yousafzai were forced to settle for second position at the hands of Turing and in fact managed to beat every other house, except for Turing! There are lots of competent striker fielders in the yellow house; Louis Gaskell, Reggie Hayward, Charley Songer, Will Stratton and Zaid and lots of these boys stepped up in their game play and made huge contributions to their house teams. Yousafzai aren't short of other boys willing to step up too and Alfie King, Waide Watson and James Wamulo were instrumental in all of the yellow success. Both of the Yousafzai houses actually scored more runs over the course of the afternoon than Turing house but weren't quite as sharp as they needed to be in the field.



Cameron mid-gather at backstop!



Alfie about to deliver a thunderbolt!



Waide about to launch one!

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Turing were dominant throughout the competition finishing in first place. Amazingly Turing weren't actually top of many of the different statistical measures – they didn't score more runs than a lot of the other houses, they didn't have the best rounders difference however, they did concede fewer runs than all of the other houses and that made the difference. The fielding from the boys in blue was very strong and they made life very difficult for the other houses. Ryan was as switched on as ever in the field, Balint was an awesome athletic presence in the field, Kazim was a real livewire and Taygan really used his brain, fielding on bases. Turing quite simply got the job done and ground out the results when they needed to – after all their biggest winning margin was just 5!

Year 9 Girls Rounders



The 5 Year 9 tutor groups took each other on in a closely fought round robin competition afternoon of house rounders. All teams had a great turn out of girls ready to slog it out!

Turing 1 had the toughest afternoon not managing to pick up a win but the girls worked hard together with special mention going to Isobel Taylor who worked hard as captain organising her team and as backstop. Against Pankhurst she was the last batter left in and added an extra 1 1/2 to her teams total. Courtney also deserves praise for consistent bowling in games and batting scoring well. Turing 2 is a tutor group with a large number of girls and this possibly worked against them in rounders with the sports captain having to manage the team and ensure everyone got game time which meant strong players were rested to give everybody equal share. Turing won 2 and lost 2 of their matches. There were some great sporting displays from the team of particular merit was Yusra's backstop performance against Stephenson getting 2 out in 1 ball. Izzy Howie worked well on 3rd post on this game and well as making a catch against Yousafzai. Jolie Breakwell and Lily were top rounders scorers.

Yousafzai had a mixed afternoon winning one, losing 2 and drawing one game. Asha Storer had a great afternoon taking at least 2 catches and playing well on 1st and 2nd post. Other great catches came from Evie. The team generally were well organised fielding well and making good batting decisions like running on no balls. In the drawn game against Stephenson they fielded particularly well limiting them to 3 rounders. The rounders were spread amongst the team with scores for Maya Matthews, Leah Rudolf, Asha Storer, Lauren Clifford and Hollie.

Pankhurst won 3 of their games only losing 1 by half a rounder to the eventual winners Stephenson! A very competent display of rounders throughout who were well organised with Chloe Weaden showing great skills with the bat and in the field. The team were very tactical and 'switched on' in each of their games with stand out moments being a great catch by Katie Thomas against Turing, strong paced accurate bowling from Izzy Prime, and 2 rounders on an innings from Elina and Chloe Weaden.

Stephenson were overall Year 9 house rounders champions. In a closely run competition they played Pankhurst in their opening game and playing them before they really got into their stride probably worked to Stephenson's advantage. Stephenson won their games against the 2 Turing tutor groups and in an edgy final game they managed to sneak the required draw (3-3) against Yousafzai to win the competition by 1 point from Pankhurst. They epitomised teamwork all afternoon with the sum of the team being greater than its parts. Some great performances from Niamh Gaynor and Ellie Ojo as a clinical backstop-first post combination in the Pankhurst game. Adrianna Noriega with some great outs on 2nd post. Sophie Weaden with great fielding in various positions as backstop and in the deep field. Some great hits from Sophie Shaw leading to rounders.



Lauren's run out proves popular!



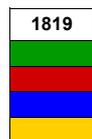
Jess on a mission for fourth post!



Evie swinging the bat at one!



Year 9 Boys Softball



Yousafzai have found the competition tough in the Year 9 boys events all year and unfortunately were missing some of their players for the last house competition of the year. Finch deserves huge credit for juggling his commitments as he came out sprinting to his house mid-game in the competition having been tied down elsewhere for the first part of the competition. TJ Peppard was out in force for the yellow house and has really developed his base fielding skills this year in PE so was a vital cog in the yellow wheel. Charlie Wills took various batsmen by surprise on a number of occasions with the power and accuracy of his throwing arm and there were many who were caught out by Charlie's skill. Maxwell Williams took on the responsibility of bowling for the yellow house but they were resigned to defeat in all of their matches except for 1 against Stephenson. I don't think the Yousafzai boys would have picked Stephenson as their main target for a win but nobody was complaining about the vital points. As good as their performances were, they had to settle for a single point from this competition.

Turing came next and were hoping to prosper from the new summer rules allowing players to play for a different Turing team where a house has more than one tutor group in the year group. Their renewed enthusiasm due to the rule change couldn't quite be matched by their performances and some poor decision making proved costly for the blue house. They were in a position to beat Stephenson but ended up losing by a single run having beaten Yousafzai on both occasions. Mansur Yilmaz's catching was superb in his games and he looked the safest pair of hands under the high ball all afternoon. Izaak Osborn did his level best to rally his Turing troops and showed some real presence of mind in the field along with some of his team mates – unfortunately for Turing, it wasn't enough to secure any higher than third place.

Stephenson were perhaps fortunate to finish in second position but were also missing quite a few players through illness and absence and so were rather glad come the end of the competition. Ben Bohin's ground fielding this year has been exceptionally sharp – so much so that I have been bugging him all year to get himself to a cricket club outside of school! Ben has a natural ability to track and gather the moving ball and also has the presence of mind and understanding to return the ball sharply to exactly the right place. Ben put down a difficult catch in their first match against Turing 1 and was absolutely furious with himself for dropping the ball despite the fact that it had no bearing on the final result. I love how high Ben's standards are and I am convinced they are the reason for his superb performances in the field this year – get yourself to that cricket club Ben! Along with help, Ollie Page, Jack Thoburn and Ben Lumoso sailed the Stephenson ship through the choppy waters and safely into second position port.

Pankhurst reigned supreme in the Year 9 boys contest boasting a large number of the school cricket team in their ranks. At one point things looked a little dicey as they put their feet up little too early having seen off the challenge of Turing 1 within a handful of balls. Batting out their 8 minutes in case it came down to run difference didn't seem high on their priority list as they were confident they would beat all of their opponents. Close games with Stephenson and Yousafzai to finish were a little nervy for the boys in the green house! There is no doubt that Ollie, Toby and Ari ran the show for Pankhurst but it was the quality of their support that earned them the top spot. Isaac, Corey, Ciaran, Liam, Enzo, George and Oscar all played superbly – my highlight of the Pankhurst matches was watching Oscar tip his hat after scoring a home run!



Ollie using all of his strength for Stephenson

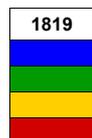


Nana thinks twice about taking on Toby



Ciaran's sharp work in the field

Year 10 Girls Rounders



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Despite the trips and other events that were on for Year 10 at the same time as their house competition, the girls still managed to get a full complement out and ran a competition as normal. Admittedly a fair few of the girls were missing but each house had a team and it gave some other girls a real opportunity to show what they could do on the rounders pitch. There was a lovely atmosphere in the girls competition with a lot of laughter and smiles and it was lovely to see the girls enjoying their last ever house competition!

Stephenson were resigned to last position but were missing some of their key players. Sumaya Ali fielded on the fourth post and worked hard to limit the scoring of the opposition teams. Anida took on the responsibility of bowling and also fielding on 2nd base where the house needed her help. Annie Lou and Lucy Turner performed well with the bat and although they were able to score – their rounder tally wasn't enough to shift them off of the bottom.

Yousafzai wound up in third position and still managed to turn out a strong team despite missing some key girls. Idman was busy in the field along with Grace and Maisie. Maisie took on the bowling duties later in the innings and managed to keep the scoring limited for the batting players. Although Yousafzai had some close matches, results didn't go their way and they had to settle for the bronze medal position.

Pankhurst finished in third and were strong in their performance across all of their matches. Bethia Brown shouldered the responsibility of bowling which is never an easy task but did so with real determination and support from her house. Judit Molnar made the most of the opportunities that were available to her with the bat as she stepped up as a left hander and exploited the field setting. India Smith looked for all the money in the world as though she wasn't concentrating on first base in one of her matches until her team mates called for her to catch a passing shot. India stuck out a reactionary hand and the ball just jammed right in there - a superb dismissal for her house.

Turing finished victorious in the Year 10 girls competition with several of their players dominating proceedings. Nasma was another batter who took advantage of being left handed when the field were too slow to change. In addition to this, Nasma can also strike the ball really cleanly so made comfortable rounders on the majority of occasions she batted. Latifa and Maryama occupied the base fielding positions with Edith, Evie and Salma excellent support in the field. All told the Year 10 Turing girls were excellent value and deserved their 4 points from this competition.



Edith striking with power

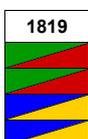


Bethia's bowling causing problems for batters



Lucy looking for rounders

Year 10 Boys Softball



I think I was the least popular person amongst the Year 10 boys when I took more than half of the year group out of their house competition so that they could lead at the Summer School Games Finals! Without wanting to punish any house for my own decisions, we decided on a combined competition where two houses would team up and take each other on! Red and green teamed up as Pankhurst and Stephenson took on the yellow and blue combination of Yousafzai and Turing. With so many boys missing it was impossible to call the result and the points were absolutely up for grabs!

Even Finlay Belcher smashing the ball deep into the trees on a foul couldn't stop the Year 10 boys enjoying the competitive atmosphere that this one off competition provided. Josh Reeve's sense of humour actually made staff and students laugh for a change while students who don't always get the opportunities to show off their skills came to the fore! Final results were 27 to 23 in favour of red and green – thanks to all of the boys for their cooperation and making the best of a situation where the alternative was no competition at all!

Congratulations to everyone that took part for their houses and especially to students in Year 10 for getting stuck in to their final mass house competition despite me taking most of the year group out on a trip! Praise Postcards will be on their way to participants and house captains!

Well done everyone!

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Harley going after one!



Mine!



Finlay with all of his bowling trickery!

Overall Results - individual competition ranking points taken forward to overall standings

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		Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank
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	Stephenson	6	2	2	4	6	2	8	1	22	2
	Turing	8	1	8	1	4	3	6	3	26	1
	Yousafzai	4	3	6	2	2	4	6	3	18	4
GIRLS	Pankhurst	2	4	6	2	6	2	6	2	20	2
	Stephenson	4	3	4	3	8	1	2	4	18	4
	Turing	8	1	2	4	2	4	8	1	20	2
	Yousafzai	6	2	8	1	4	3	4	3	22	1
OVERALL	Pankhurst	4	4	10	2	14	1	14	1	42	2
	Stephenson	10	2	6	4	14	1	10	3	40	3
	Turing	16	1	10	2	6	3	14	1	46	1
	Yousafzai	10	2	14	1	6	3	10	3	40	3

SK SUPERSTARS

Competition intensifies as students fight to be crowned SK Superstar in ultimate sporting contest

We kicked off Sports Week with the Year 7 & 8 Superstars competition and then the penultimate event of the week was the equivalent competition in Year 9 & 10. Our Superstars competitions are the ultimate test of sporting all-round ability where students compete in a tough series of 7 events including scored events from our major team sports. One of the best features about these competitions are that houses choose two pairs of elite sportsmen and sportswomen to contest the competition which means that competitors often win by the narrowest of margins and really push themselves and each other to better their own high standards.

Turing took more points than any of the other houses winning 4 of the 8 separate competitions in what was the start of an excellent summer season for them! The secret of the Superstars format is in the simplicity – there are five events that make up the first half of the competition and two events that close. For the first half of the competition, the students rotate in their competition groups around the stations – a netball shoot, hockey dribble, football crossbar challenge, rugby pass and a standing long jump! The second half of the competition sees all of the competitors go head to head in a plank-off before students take to the track in their house pairs to clock the fastest 2-lap indoor hurdles time they can! Each of the competitors are ranked 8-1 for each event with all of the ranking points counting towards the overall total.

Year 7 Boys – 1 Jake Packham, 2 Charlie Topp, 3 Cosmo Browne

The Year 7 boys competition boasted all of the big sporting names from the year group and it was anyone's guess who was going to take the title! Charlie Topp got Stephenson off to flyer as the only boy to go over 2 metres in the standing long jump while his partner Cosmo Browne showed off all of his footballing talent by scoring 16 points on the crossbar challenge only to be equalled by Ryan Tembo from Pankhurst. The rugby passing challenge was pretty close across the board but Jake Packham smashed the hockey dribble winning that event by a huge margin of 4 seconds! The netball shoot really found some of the boys out with Ryan and Noah from Pankhurst posting the highest combined score at 7 points! Halfway through the competition Stephenson were sat on top closely followed by Turing! When Cosmo and Jake were left as the last two standing or planking should I say it was red versus blue all over again! Charlie Topp nailed the hurdles and claimed victory for Stephenson house but it was a brilliantly close contest to watch and one where Jake Packham of Turing finished as Superstar but with their combined score, Stephenson were deserving victors!

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Lucas shooting for 2 points!



The Year 7 boys mid plank-off



Jake lets his shot go

Year 7 Girls – 1 Leah Wardingley, 2 Maddy Thomas, 3 Ruby Gray

The Year 7 girls competition was dominated throughout by Leah Wardingley who led from start to finish with a superb all round performance. There was strong competition from the other girls but there was nobody who could catch Leah. Ruby Gray smashed the long jump and was the only person to clear 2 metres and when I say clear 2 metres, I mean by 36 centimetres! Ruby also won the football crossbar challenge but it was the rugby passing event where Yousafzai came good with pairing Leah and Sienna top scoring. Leah was quickest in the hockey dribble and won the netball shooting by a significant margin as well as topping the plank off! Nearest competition came in the form of Maddy Thomas from Turing and Ruby Gray from Stephenson but it was the yellow house that took maximum points from the event with an impressive performance from their Superstar Leah but also from Sienna who finished in fourth position overall.



Ruby on the hockey dribble



Leah's textbook shooting technique



Maddy on the start line for the hockey

Year 8 Boys – 1 Kanye Christie, 2 James Wamulo, 3 Kenny Newbury

There are some impressive athletes in the Year 8 boys group and a good number of them were out in force for the competition. The boys who ended up in the top three were the only trio to jump over 2 metres in the standing long jump but it was the crossbar challenge that was much closer! All up, four boys ended up hitting the bar and ended up scoring into the teens in this event. The Turing duo took the rugby passing challenge by just a single pass but the quickest time in the hockey dribble went to James Wamulo from Yousafzai. The netball shooting challenge was a fairly dismal affair with only 2 of the 8 boys actually scoring any points at all! Jonathan used all of his basketball pedigree to score an impressive 8 points on the netball shoot and the only other boy to score was Ryan Bundy with a score of 5! Mac Marshall from Pankhurst put on an impressive display in the plank off after going toe-to-toe with Kanye but it was Kanye and James who finished as the top 2 in the hurdles event to close the competition.



Kanye picking up vital seconds



Mac shooting for the woodwork



Kenny fresh off of the turning board

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Year 8 Girls – 1 Poppy Baldwin Brooks, 2 Scarlett Newby, 3 Daisy Wilkinson

Daisy Wilkinson kicked off the competition with the highest standing long jump of any other Year 8 girl but Scarlett and Mia were hot on her heels from the get go. Scarlett found her footballing feet in the crossbar challenge and scored more points than any of her competitors with a solid score of 9! The Pankhurst pairing of Mia and Kaiya absolutely smashed the rugby passing challenge beating all of the other three houses quite comfortably! The Year 8 girls were spreading the victories around the houses especially when Tacie nailed her hockey dribble to complete the course in just over 10 seconds – her nearest rivals were over 12 seconds too! The netball shooting was fairly evenly spread too with Danielle Cameron top scoring with a total of 3 points. Poppy held her nerve in the plank off and her inner competitor came out when it mattered most as she saw off the challenge from Amrit Gill from Turing. Poppy and Daisy recorded two of the quickest times for the hurdles to cement their place at the top of the standings for Yousafzai.



Danielle off of the turning board



Poppy in the zone for the plank-off



Demi going for the hurdles

Year 9 Boys – 1 Ben Lumoso, 2 Isaac Adebayo, 3 Joe Paice

Ben started strongly on the standing long jump posting the highest score amongst his competing group but the boys weren't too deterred as they knew that Ben was always going to score well in this event. Hugh Lewis and Isaac Adebayo top scored on the crossbar challenge with two hits each and were hoping to pull away from Ben but the Stephenson competitor still managed to keep in touch with 1 successful hit of his own! Rugby supremo Lewis Cole powered Yousafzai house through the rugby passing challenge along with team mate Joe Paice as they recorded 5 more passes than any other pair in their 30 seconds. Ben Lumoso was back on top form in the hockey dribble and really showed his all-round ability in a sport that is not familiar to him at all. Joe Paice nailed his netball shooting to top score for the yellow house but he was pipped to victory in the plank off by Isaac Adebayo who was creeping up on the front runners. Both Ben's finished with very strong times for their 2 lap hurdles sprint and it was those performances that ensured they finished top of the pile taking maximum points for Stephenson house.



Ben with the hockey skills



Ollie performing for the crowd



Ben using his catching skills

Year 9 Girls – 1 Isobel Taylor, 2 Molly Green, 3 = Jamie Leigh Bell & Maya Matthews

If the first event in the Year 9 girls competition was anything to go by then the competition was going to be tight! The standing long jump was very close with only a few centimetres separating the top half of the girls – Maya Matthews jumped 6cm further than any other but unfortunately was competing on her own having been let down by her house mates! This didn't stop Maya all afternoon as she posted a number of brilliant scores to finish tied for third in the individual competition despite not being able to complete the rugby pass at all! Isra Sandhool set the Stephenson fire alight in the crossbar challenge when she was the only Year 9 girl to nail the bar in her attempts. Jamie Leigh and Iso Taylor destroyed the opposition in the rugby passing challenge which only seemed to spur Isobel on to an unbelievably quick time in the hockey dribble! Isra and Isobel proved their class in the netball shoot as well which meant that Isobel was able to stretch out to a slightly more comfortable lead heading into the second half of the competition. Her team mate Jamie

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Leigh displayed immense determination and unyielding drive to win the plank off against strong competition from Maya and Molly Green. Maya and Molly also finished strongly in the hurdles event to secure their minor place finishing positions but couldn't catch Isobel who finished out in front.



Natasha shooting for the crossbar



Isra leaping as far as possible



Isobel mid strike!

Year 10 Boys – 1 = Tyrese Bracey & Jaz Peacey, 3 Kieron Keegan

The Year 10 boys was perhaps the closest event at the top of the pile with Tyrese Bracey and Jazper Peacey going head to head all the way through the competition. The first event was clear evidence that things were going to be tight when Tyrese jumped 2.40 and Jazper 2.38. Jazper absolutely smashed the crossbar challenge recording the highest score of any competitor this year hitting the crossbar 3 times from his attempts! Tyrese and partner George Turner won the rugby passing challenge with 2 more than the Yousafzai pair who finished next nearest to them. Harley LD and Jazper both recorded the quickest two times of the competition with Jazper the better of the two Turing boys by less than 1 second. Tyrese kicked on in the netball shoot and finished top of the pile there but it was Jazper who won the plank off at a canter really – much to the annoyance of all of the other competitors especially Kieron Keegan who finished in second position. Tyrese got himself back into the contest with the sprint hurdles to finish but the two boys Tyrese and Jazper couldn't be separated come the end of the competition although thanks to the efforts of Harley LD – the Turing pair finished top.



Jazper going for the rugby pass challenge



Tyrese looking composed in the plank-off



Mursal hurdling with ease

Year 10 Girls – 1 Lucy Turner, 2 = Nasma Ismail & Lauren Schofield

The Year 10 girls were equally tricky to split throughout their competition and in actual fact all 8 girls finished within 10 points of one another. The Year 10 girls and Year 7 boys were the only two competitions where the Superstar didn't come from the winning house. Nasma opened up with a bang and jumped 196 in the standing long jump while the girls really



Amelya dribbling complete with sunglasses



Leah focused on her shooting target



Lauren with steady hands

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couldn't be split on the crossbar challenge. The rugby passing was just as tight with Turing and Yousafzai finishing tied for the lead in that event. Leah Milkins won the hockey dribble event for Pankhurst house in an impressive time but it was Lucy Turner who was taking the competition by storm with her shooting skills. It didn't matter if it was a netball or a football, Lucy could shoot it and she won both of those events! Victory in the plank off and the second fastest sprint hurdles time to Lauren Schofield gave Lucy the victory that she deserved for her red house but it was Nasma and Amelya for Turing who took the top points for their house.

Results summary below.

Year Group	Winning House	Superstar - Score	Competitors
7 Boys	Stephenson	Jake Packham - 50	RYAN TEMBO, NOAH SAKALAS, CHARLIE TOPP, COSMO BROWNE, JAKE PACKHAM, BILLY STRINGER, LUCAS PACKHAM, MAX STINCHCOMBE
7 Girls	Yousafzai	Leah Wardingley - 50	CELINE KHALIFE, DEMI CORNICK, SIENNA DINARDO, RUBY GRAY, MADDY THOMAS, NAHLA MENGOD, SIENNA MCLEARY, LEAH WARDINGLEY
8 Boys	Turing	Kanye Christie - 50	MAC MARSHALL, MOHAMMAD WARSAME, NAJIB YUSUF, JON PK, RYAN BUNDY, KANYE CHRISTIE, KENNY NEWBURY, JAMES WAMULO
8 Girls	Yousafzai	Poppy B Brooks - 45	MIA MELIAS, KAIYA GREENWOOD, SCARLETT NEWBY, DANIELLE CAMERON, TACIE-ANN FRANCIS, AMRIT GILL, POPPY B BROOKS, DAISY WILKINSON
9 Boys	Stephenson	Ben Lumoso - 45	OLLIE STRATTON, ISAAC ADEBO, BEN LUMOSO, BEN BOHIN, SHJADRACH BUNKETE, HUGH LEWIS, JOE PAICE, LEWIS COLE
9 Girls	Turing	Isobel Taylor - 46	DAISY MONEY, MOLLY GREEN, ISRA SANDHOOL, NATASHA WANJIRU, JAMIE LEIGH BELL, ISOBEL TAYLOR, MAYA MATTHEWS
10 Boys	Turing	Tyrese Bracey & Jazper Peacey - 48	TYRESE BRACEY, GEORGE TURNER, MURSAL SHARIF, KIERON KEEGAN, HARLEY LD, JAZ PEACEY, AJAY DIMAMBRO, CHARLIE MEDDER
10 Girls	Turing	Lucy Turner - 44	LARA ROPER, LEAH MILKINS, LUCY TURNER, BETH EDWARDS, NASMA ISMAIL, AMELYA HOBBS, LAUREN SCHOFIELD, MAISIE GYSELNYCK

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	Stephenson	4	1	2	3	4	1	1	4	11	2
	Turing	3	2	4	1	1	4	4	1	12	1
	Yousafzai	2	3	3	2	2	3	2	3	9	3
GIRLS	Pankhurst	1	4	2	3	3	2	2	3	8	4
	Stephenson	3	2	3	2	2	3	1	4	9	3
	Turing	2	3	2	3	4	1	4	1	12	1
	Yousafzai	4	1	4	1	1	4	3	2	12	1
OVERALL	Pankhurst	3	4	3	4	6	1	5	2	17	4
	Stephenson	7	1	5	3	6	1	2	4	20	3
	Turing	5	3	6	2	5	3	8	1	24	1
	Yousafzai	6	2	7	1	3	4	5	2	21	2

Well done to all of our competitors and Superstars!

SPORTS DAY

294 students compete in track and field events as 12 school records tumble

This year with the new whole school house system we really wanted to make sure that students had every opportunity to represent their houses. In previous years we have conducted the field events prior to Sports Week whereas this year we decided to cram them all in to the same week with some events taking place on the morning of Sports Day! We stuck with our traditional track afternoon but there were students competing en-masse throughout the week which only added to the atmosphere!

For all of the students who competed in events it is important that they get their recognition whether they performed in front of the whole school or in front of a larger competing group. All those who competed will get their certificates in the last week of term and we have also picked out a few of the highlights below!

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FIELD EVENTS

Throws	Shot	Javelin	Discus
Year 7	Hannah Lange	Leah Wardingley	Hannah Lange
	Jack Sloman	Tom Stancliffe	Jacob Lambert
Year 8	Jamie Packham	Megan Hart-Jones	Lillie-Mai Hawker
	Kenny Newbury	Matt Brennan	Seth Cook
Year 9	Jess Stanley	Isobel Taylor	Chloe Weaden
	Ollie Stratton	Nana Gyimah Sarpong	Ari Rugman
Year 10	Tamzen McCombie	Beth Edwards	Salma Omar
	Ben Laker	Josh Reeve	Ben Laker

In the shot putt it was Yousafzai who took more points than any other house and it was Jamie Packham from this house in Year 8 who threw further than any other girl across all of the events with a brilliant personal best of 7 metres 28 centimetres. As well as Jamie Packham threw, Jess Stanley from Turing wasn't too far behind her with 7 metres 25 centimetres albeit in a separate competition. Hannah Lange from Year 7 was one of only 7 girls to throw over the magic 6 metre mark and the only Year 7 girl in the group – an impressive set of throws from a very talented young athlete. There was a school record thrown in the boys competitions as Ollie Stratton from Pankhurst sent his shot out to 11 metres and 90 centimetres which was almost an entire metre further than any other competitor. The next closest to Ollie Stratton was Ben Laker who threw a huge PB by more than 2 metres to win his competition but couldn't catch Ollie. The athleticism of the Year 8 boys came through in their event as Kenny, Balint and Jonathan were the fourth, fifth and sixth furthest throws.

PBs came from: Safa Culusow, Amani Islam, Jamie Packham, Niamh Gaynor, Seth Cook, Ollie Stratton, Zaeem, Ben Laker. SBs came from Sayen Cid -Purslow, Jess Porter, Balint Fekete, Dan Burt, Lewis Cole.



Amani doing the business for her house



Ollie setting a new school record in the shot



Hannah throwing in Turing colours

The standard of javelin throwing was excellent across the school from girls and boys but there were some extra special performances. Beth Edwards absolutely nailed her final throw and sent her javelin out to 22 metres and 30 centimetres – Beth had already set a new school record with her second throw but bettered this still with her last effort! Isobel Taylor from Turing and Leah Wardingley also launched their javelin's, both going beyond 15 metres which is mighty impressive. Special mention to Leah for an amazing effort from a Year 7 athlete! In the boys competition, the standard was equally high although not quite record breaking! The top three throws all went out over 20 metres with Josh Reeve, Matty Brennan and Jonathan PK finishing in the top 3 with 24 metres 40 centimetres, 24 metres, 23 centimetres and 23 metres and 80 centimetres respectively. I caught the end of the 7 & 8 boys event and was really impressed with the standard of the competition.



TJ sending out the javelin for Yousafzai



Beth with her new record!



Hetty fighting for Pankhurst

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PBs came from: Megan Hart-Jones, Beth Edwards, Grace Newby, Will Stratton, Josh Reeve, Dan O'Connor. SBs came from: George Burley, Matt Brennan, Jonathan PK

The discus throw is always a test of technique and nerve and two special performances came from two girls in this event. Chloe Weaden threw 15 metres and 50 centimetres for a Pankhurst victory in the Year 9 girls competition while Lillie-Mai Hawker had the next best throw with 15 metres and 30 centimetres for Yousafzai house. The Year 8 & 9 girls led the way in the discus holding the top 4 spots but the fifth highest throw came from Year 7 throwing machine Hannah Lange with a throw of 12 metres exactly which was almost 4 metres further than her nearest Year 7 competitor! A special mention also to Jess Stanley for finishing second to Chloe in the Year 9 girls competition but winning her shot event – a great performance across the two throws for Jess and Turing house. Ben Laker was hunting the school record in the discus which is out beyond 24 metres – Ben couldn't quite manage a record but did still take victory for Stephenson house taking his personal tally to two gold medals! Year 9 boys Ari and Sean occupied the second and third highest throwing spots and were embroiled in a really close competition with Sean ahead right until the final throw of the competition where Ari pipped him to the top spot. Seth Cook sent out an impressive throw in excess of 17 metres for victory in the Year 8 boys competition and more points for Yousafzai house to round off a very impressive set of discus competitions.

PBs came from: Pawel Juszcak, Shane Swann, Ari Rugman.



Finlay sending out his best discus throw



Audrey representing Pankhurst



Seth going for gold in the Year 8 boys

Jumps	High	Long	Triple
Year 7	Maddy Thomas	Ruby Gray	n/a
	Frank McCann	Charlie Topp	Jake Packham
Year 8	Daisy Wilkinson	Megan Hart-Jones	n/a
	Kenny Newbury	Balint Fekete	James Wamulo
Year 9	Katie Clarke	Asha Storer	n/a
	Izaac Osborn	Izaac Osborn	Ben Lumoso
Year 10	Nasma Ismail	Molly Jackson	n/a
	Finley King	Beau Gilbert	Harley Langford-Davis

The high jump competitions were really tough as there was a big crowd which put pressure on all of the jumpers! In the girls competitions it was Katie Clarke who went higher than any other athlete with a solid jump of 1 metres and 25 centimetres – Katie made her jumping look easy and the crowd were hugely impressed with her technique. The Year 8 duo of Daisy's were the next two highest jumpers, both clearing 1 metres and 20 centimetres but with Wilkinson winning on countback and Medder having to settle for second place. A special mention to Maddy Thomas from Year 7 who went over 1 metre and 15 centimetres to record the fourth highest jump of the morning and win her Year 7 girls event. There weren't many surprises in the boys competition as school record holder Finley King won the Year 10 boys competition at



Najib hurling himself over the bar



Maddy taking the gold for Turing



Kenny last left in for the Year 8 boys

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a canter. Finley did have two jumps at a new school record but without the pressure of necessity Finley had to settle for 1 metre 50 centimetres. The Year 10 boys event was a real quality competition with all four competitors clearing 1 metre 40. Special mention to Izaak Osborn from Turing house who secured victory in both long jump and high jump in a matter of minutes, clearing an impressive 1 metre 45 centimetres. Kenny Newbury and Frank McCann dominated their respective year group competitions too – both clearing PB heights!

PBs came from: Frank McCann, Kenny Newbury, Izaak Osborn, Finlay Belcher, Kyle Barrett, Daisy Wilkinson, Eve Griffin, Katie Clarke, Jamie-Leigh Bell. SBs came from: Ethan Bose, Maddy Thomas.

Ruby Gray was unstoppable in the long jump and although couldn't quite manage to get out beyond her 4 metre plus school record, Ruby did jump 3 metres and 75 centimetres to record the highest jump of any girl in any year group! Ruby dominated the event for Stephenson in an impressive 1, 2 with male counterpart Charlie Topp. It was the Year 9 girls competition with Asha Storer taking gold, that was the closest contest. Asha won with her best jump of 3 metres and 63 centimetres with the girls all beyond 3 metres and 30 centimetres. Megan Hart-Jones took victory in the Year 8 girls event although there was a close contest with Poppy Baldwin-Brooks who managed a PB at just the right time but was forced to settle for second! Izaak Osborn was at it again in the long jump having run out of the sportshall mid-way through the high jump competition. Izaak jumped out to 4 metres and 70 centimetres – the furthest of any boy on sports day! Beau Gilbert and Balint Fekete were the next two highest jumps and both won gold in their respective competitions with only a couple of centimetres between their best efforts. Charlie Topp also completed a double for Stephenson in the Year 7 events going over 4 metres to take gold.

PBs came from: Charlie Topp, Tom Standcliffe, Will King, Balint Fekete, Oscar Thorpe, Izaak Osborn, Mitzi Hines-Ewens, Poppy Baldwin-Brooks, Anida Bonomo. SBs came from: Noah Sakalás, Abdi Culusow, Demi Cornick, Megan Hart-Jones.



Mid-air Molly!



Daisy attacking the board



Ruby in her Stephenson war paint!

James Wamulo was the best of the triple jumpers and set a new school record taking the old title from Dan Parslow who had been the bearer for a fair few years! James' gold medal winning jump was 10 metres and 70 centimetres which earned him top points for Yousafzai house. Kanye Christie wasn't too far behind him with a jump of 10 metres and 30 centimetres as the second highest jump of any boy. Ben Lumoso won the Year 9 boys competition also breaking the 10 metre marker while Harley Langford-Davis and Jake Packham teamed up to take gold for Turing in their Year 10 and Year 7 events respectively.

PBs came from: Kanye Christie, James Wamulo, Charley Songer, Toby Rice, Ben Lumoso, Max Stevens.



Tom being watched closely by Toby



James out for his new school record



Kanye hot on James' heels

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TRACK EVENTS

Track	1500m	800m	400m / 300m
Year 7	Leah Wardingley	Leah Wardingley	Toula Hudson
	Samuel Dixey	Samuel Dixey	Cadnan Ahmed
Year 8	Scarlett Newby	Scarlett Newby	Rose Barker
	Mohamed Warsame	Najib Yusuf	Balint Fekete
Year 9	Maya Van Heerden	Maya Van Heerden	Asha Storer
	Hugh Lewis	Nana Gyimah-Sarpong	Abdi Culusow
Year 10	Judit Molnar	Molly Jackson	Lauren Schofield
	Jazper Peacey	Jazper Peacey	Harley Langford-Davis

Judit Molnar took it to the girls in her last ever 1500m race for sports day with a fantastic time of 6 minutes and 20 seconds to take gold in her year group competition. Next closest to her was Leah Wardingley who really showed her middle distance pedigree on sports day with a fantastic run clocking a time of 6 minutes and 32 seconds to take the top spot in the Year 7 girls competition. Scarlett Newby and Maya Van Heerden proved their worth on the track in the near mile race both taking gold for Stephenson and Turing respectively. The main show of athleticism came in the boys race where Jazper Peacey broke his own school record in a time of 5 minutes exactly – to run a school record and ensure 1st place is a very difficult thing to do under pressure which just shows Jazper's class in the middle distance events. Mursal went toe to toe with Jazper but had to settle for second. There was another heated competition between Najib and Mohamed in the Year 8 boys event with the former taking hold. Samuel ran a superb 5 minutes and 39 seconds to take maximum points for Yousafzai house in the Year 7 boys event while Hugh did the same for Turing in the Year 9 boys. Amazingly the top 11 boys all ran sub 6 minutes in a fantastic display of 1500m running.

PBs came from: Daisy Medder, Poppy Baldwin-Brooks, Elyssia Douglas, Hetty Cleaver, Izzy Howie, Judit Molnar, Samuel Dixey, Mac Marshall, Mohamed Warsame, Gabe Antolic-Furlong, Dylan Hewett, Oscar Thorpe, Mansur Yilmaz, Joe Paice, Jazper Peacey, Fergus Creton. SBs came from: Leah Wardingley, Sophie Weaden, Maya Van Heerden, Maya Matthews, Muhsin Hassan.



Jazper on his way to another record



Judit making it look easy in her race



Mursal chasing down his main rival

It is always tough to run the 800m on sports day in front of the whole school – initially I thought there has been a duplicate entry for the 1500m and 800m but then realised that a lot of the same athletes not only doubled up, but also enjoyed victory! The records tumbled in the 800m in both the boys and girls events – Leah Wardingley ran 2 minutes and 46 seconds to take the title from Molly Jackson in Year 10. Leah was the only girl to run sub 3 minutes on sports day and really proved her distance running pedigree! The Year 7 girls race was quick, thanks to Leah's pace with three of the girls finishing in the top 4 quickest times! Scarlett Newby bagged her double with victory over the shorter middle distance race while Molly Jackson and Maya Van Heerden managed the same for Yousafzai and Turing house respectively. Jazper



Leah with her amazing 800m run



Jaz crossing the line for 2 out of 2



Maya looking strong in front

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cemented his place in the record books by breaking his own 800m record on the biggest school stage! Jazper ran 2 minutes and 21 seconds finishing more than 10 seconds ahead of his nearest rival – what a talent this boy is! Najib, Samuel and Nana won their respective year group competitions with excellent runs of their own – all of the boys running sub 2 minutes and 50 seconds!

PBs came from: Scarlett Newby, Ruby Walsh, Bella Wake, Maya Matthews, Samuel Dixey, Dylan Hewett, Seth Cook, Mac Marshall, Toby Rice, Joe Williams, Nana Gyimah Sarpong, Lewis Cole, Mohamed Warsame, Mursal Sharif, Jazper Peacey, Fergus Creton. SBs came from: Leah Wardingley, Clara Thomasset, Tyrone Bristol.

I have nothing but admiration for those athletes that put themselves out there and run the 300m or 400m! Asha Storer was the pick of the runners on the afternoon with a superb record breaking run! Asha just looked to have cruise control on for her entire lap of the bottom track and clocked a superb 48.05 seconds which beat Daisy Wilkinson's previous record of 50 plus seconds! Asha finished 5 seconds ahead of her nearest female competitor and ran the sixth quickest time of sports day. Rose Barker was a strong competitor for Stephenson in the Year 9 girls event while Lauren Schofield took the top spot for Yousafzai in the Year 10 girls. Toulou Hudson showed great speed endurance for her 300 event taking maximum points for Turing. Balint Fekete continued his impressive string of performances in sports day 2019 with victory in the 300 running a 46.31 which was the fastest time of any boy. Abdi Culusow, Cadnan and Harley Langford-Davis all took gold in their respective events but it was the Year 8 boys competition that was the closest race. The top four boys all went sub 50 seconds in what was a fascinating event.

PBs came from: Hetty Cleaver, Asha Storer, Lauren Schofield, Mohamed Warsame, Balint Fekete, Ben Bohin, Abdi Culusow, Shadrach Bunkete. SBs came from: Keeley Large, Ruby Fowler, Tannaz Saljugh, Jamie-Leigh Bell.



Abdi taking victory in the Year 9 boys race



Asha with an incredible record breaking run



Cadnan taking it out in the Year 7 boys

Track	200m	100m	4 x 100m Relay
Year 7	Sienna Mcleary	Gabrielle Marcovitch	Turing
	Ruby Magnum	Eleanor Hall	
	Charlie Topp	Charlie Topp	Stephenson
	JJ McLoughlin	Dom Da Silva	
Year 8	Jemima German	Mitzi Hines-Ewens	Yousafzai
	Pearl Westerberg	Daisy Wilkinson	Yousafzai
	Kanye Christie	James Wamulo	
	Charley Songer	Waide Watson	
Year 9	Elina Jakubaite	Asha Storer	Pankhurst
	Isaac Adebo	Isaac Adebo	Stephenson
Year 10	Molly Jackson	Freya Barnett	Yousafzai
	Max Andrews	Tyrese Bracey	Pankhurst

Sienna Mcleary was 200m sprint queen running the fastest time of any girl in school on sports day! As amazing as it is to have a Year 7 go faster than any other girl on sports day – a trio of Year 7 girls dominated the 200m races and ran the quickest three times of any of the girls. Sienna Mcleary, Ruby Gray and Polly Cole took the top 3 places in that order in a fantastic display of sprinting from such young athletes – what a race! Sienna set a new school record with her winning time beating Molly Jackson's previous record. Despite losing her record, Molly still won her race and took maximum points for Yousafzai house. Jemima and Elina won their respective year group races with times of 33.31 and 33.56 respectively to round off a fantastic set of 200m races. Max Andrews was victorious in the fastest time of the day for the boys albeit not troubling his own record on this occasion. Kanye Christie and Isaac Adebo reigned supreme in their races, winning with times of 28.31 and 28.40 respectively. Charlie Topp won the first race of his sprint double with victory in the 200 with a time of 29.84.

PBs came from: Amy Hecker, Clara Thomasset, Lily Carradine, Pearl Westerberg, Yusra Ahmed, Kiera Rudolph, Anida Bonomo, Courtney Dun, Charlie

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Topp, Matty Brennan, Kanye Christie, Will Stratton, Finley Green, Charlie Songer. SBs came from: Hannah Packer, Jamie Packham, Jolie Breakwell, Natalie Stringer, Hugh Lewis, George Turner.



Ben lengthening his stride



Elina gritting her teeth for Pankhurst



Bruno and Hugh neck and neck

Asha Storer continued her sprint magic in the 100m winning the girls race for Year 9 and clocking the fastest time of any girl over the afternoon at 14.34. Daisy Wilkinson, Ruby Walsh and Danielle Cameron weren't far behind in the Year 8 girls race with all of the ladies running sub 15 seconds! Daisy took victory in the Year 8 girls event while Freya Barnett and Gabriella Marcovitch took the gold in their respective events. In the boys events Tyrese Bracey ran a new school record time of 12.06 which he will be delighted about seeing as he ran the same as Ashya's old record earlier this year and was desperate to have the record all to himself! Isaac Adebo ran a brilliant 13.06 for gold in the Year 9 boys race while James Wamulo and Charlie Topp won their events to take 4 points apiece for their houses! Special mention to Tom Evans as well – the only other boy to run sub 13 seconds on our nasty uphill 100m straight! If you can run a quick time on our track, then you're quick!

PBs came from: Jemima German, Daisy Wilkinson, Melissa Bartlett, Jess Stanley, Asha Storer, Bethia Brown, Freya Barnett, Matty Brennan, Cameron Howe, Ian Isaac, Kanye Christie, Finley Green, Jonathan PK, Ryan Bundy, Alfie King, Waide Watson, Isaac Adebo, Djafar Mengoud, Max Stevens, Bruno Thomasset, Tyrese Bracey, Kieron Keegan, Tom Evans. SBs came from: Zara Mace, Mitzi Hines-Ewens, Keira Rudolf, James Wamulo.



Asha winning her double sprint crown



Tyrese setting his new school record



Year 10 girls embroiled in a close finish!

The relays also round the afternoon off so brilliantly and last year proved really uneventful – each team managed to get the baton around without any major dramas at all. This year – the absolute opposite was true!! The major achievement of the afternoon was the new school record set by the Pankhurst girls from Year 9. India, Molly, Hetty and Elina ran a superb time of 62.04 which beat the previous record by nearly 2 seconds! The Pankhurst girls were a superb quartet who not only nailed their running, but also nailed their hand offs! Unfortunately for lots of the other teams – hand offs and



The Year 8 girls changing over



Waide – foot down, baton in hand!



Year 9 girls out cleanly

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running in lanes proved a little too tricky and all told we had 5 disqualifications from the 8 relay races! If we had no drama last year, we made up for it this year! Dropped batons, running out of lanes, obstructions – we had it all which made for a really tense finish especially given that the crowd knew that the results were so close. Perhaps the added pressure was what tipped some experienced runners over the edge!

Although Sports Day is always going to be about those competitors who put themselves out on the stage in front of the whole school; the overriding emotion on Sports Day was enjoyment. There was a real community feel and engagement from the school which just made for an even better competition! An event with competitors alone wouldn't be anywhere near as special. We might have had almost 300 students competing for their houses but with the same number again out supporting their house mates, Sports Day 2019 had a special feel!



Yousafzai with their mascot!



The Turing house banner!



An amazing Stephenson flag!



Abdi cheering on his house mates!



Yousafzai house getting behind their athletes



Team Pankhurst out in force!



Another band of Stephenson supporters



Samuel trying to get a better view!



Students enjoying the hot weather!

Thank you to all of the staff and students who really got into the house spirit with our first Sports Day in our new house system – what a fantastic foundation to build from in the future!

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Sports Day Record Breakers 2019

Event	Athlete	Time / Distance
BEST IN SCHOOL		
100m	Asha Storer	14.34 seconds
Shot Putt	Isobel Taylor	8 metres 35 centimetres
SCHOOL RECORD		
Javelin	Beth Edwards	22 metres 30 centimetres
Triple Jump	James Wamulo	10 metres 70 centimetres
Shot Putt	Ollie Stratton	11 metres 90 centimetres
1500m	Jazper Peacey	5 minutes 00 seconds
800m	Leah Wardingley	2 minutes 46 seconds
800m	Jazper Peacey	2 minutes 21 seconds
300m	Asha Storer	48.05 seconds
200m	Sienna Mcleary	31.07 seconds
100m	Tyrese Bracey	12.06 seconds
4 x 100m Relay	Year 9 Pankhurst Girls	62.04 seconds

FINAL RESULTS

The Sports Day competition was really close this year where the lead changed hands a number of times! We read out results as things stood on three or four occasions during the afternoon and each time it was a tense read out with only a few points separating some of the houses. Stephenson, Turing and Yousafzai were all in contention come the relay races which added some real drama to the event. A huge well done to every single athlete who represented their house in any event. The number of gaps in events was small and in many of the races we had more the enough competitors. This year we included double races for Year 7 and 8 in the 200 and 100 events again to allow for more participation.

Congratulations to the house captains for all of their work for this competition. We had more students than ever, 277 different competitors involved in at least 1 event with 588 slots to fill we had a 97.2% turnout for events which is by far the highest that we've ever had!

Congratulations to Yousafzai House – Sports Day Champions 2019! They will always have their mark on the first ever Sports Day trophy under the new house system!

Results - below are the actual event points from Sports Day (points don't go forward to overall standings)

House	Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		Year 10		Overall		
	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	
BOYS	Pankhurst	21	4	31	3	36	2	26	4	110	4
	Stephenson	48	1	28	4	34	3	34	2	143	3
	Turing	40	2	36	2	41	1	36	1	149	1
	Yousafzai	40	2	53	1	20	4	32	3	145	2
GIRLS	Pankhurst	24	4	35	3	35	1	18	4	107	4
	Stephenson	38	2	40	1	19	4	31	2	128	3
	Turing	46	1	25	4	35	1	30	3	136	2
	Yousafzai	32	3	40	1	32	3	40	1	141	1
OVERALL	Pankhurst	45	4	66	3	71	2	44	4	217	4
	Stephenson	86	1	68	2	53	3	65	3	271	3
	Turing	86	1	61	4	76	1	66	2	285	2
	Yousafzai	72	3	93	1	52	4	72	1	286	1

Results - below are ranking points from Sports Day (triple weighted – points go forward to overall house sport total)

House	Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		Year 10		Total		
	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	
BOYS	Pankhurst	3	4	6	3	9	2	3	4	21	4
	Stephenson	12	1	3	4	6	3	9	2	30	2
	Turing	9	2	9	2	12	1	12	1	42	1
	Yousafzai	9	2	12	1	3	4	6	3	30	2
GIRLS	Pankhurst	3	4	6	3	12	1	3	4	24	4
	Stephenson	9	2	12	1	3	4	9	2	33	2
	Turing	12	1	3	4	12	1	6	3	33	2
	Yousafzai	6	3	12	1	6	3	12	1	36	1
OVERALL	Pankhurst	6	4	12	3	21	2	6	4	45	4
	Stephenson	21	1	15	2	9	3	18	1	63	3
	Turing	21	1	12	3	24	1	18	1	75	1
	Yousafzai	15	3	24	1	9	3	18	1	66	2



SPORTS WEEK SUMMARY

Sports Week 2019 in numbers!

55 hours of activity taking place throughout the week!

418 different students participating in Summer House Sport!

323 different students experiencing taster sessions in tennis, rugby, rowing, laser pistol and street surfing!

63 students competing to be crowned Superstar!

12 tennis players entering the doubles competition, 8 entering the singles competition

294 students competing in Sports Day events for their houses

70 students leading Crockerne Primary Sports Day and helping to support various other events

12 students helping with Y6 Induction in PE

495 students hit by at least 1 Sports Week event!

THANK YOU!

Mike and Jodie for giving up their time to pass on their knowledge and skills to some of our tennis playing students during four tennis taster sessions

Craig, Geraint and Rich from the Bristol Bears Community Foundation for squeezing us into an already busy week and delivering three superb taster sessions to our Key Stage 3 girls and boys

Mr Turner, Mr German and WESPORT for giving our Year 9 and Year 10 students the opportunity to lead the Primary Quadkids Finals at Coombe Dingle and supporting us throughout the year with our leadership & a whole lot more!

Tim from British Rowing for supporting us tirelessly for the last two years in pursuit of acquiring our new rowing machines, training our staff in delivery and enthusing our students during a great series of taster sessions using all 10 of our machines!

Bernie and Rachel from Pentathlon GB for fitting us in for some brilliant laser pistol and multi-activity taster sessions during what is a busy time of year for them!

Mr Creton and all of the staff, parents, supporters and students from Crockerne Primary School for making your Sports Day such a fantastic experience for our young leaders and making sure such a big event runs so smoothly!

Mr Dawes and Mr Excell for supporting us when we were short staffed and wouldn't of been able to manage otherwise – this meant the girls could go to their cricket finals and we could still run Sports Day events!

Our amazing army of student leaders – lots of you came back during your time off and gave up your valuable free time. I treated you like members of staff during the week but we wouldn't of been able to run Sports Week without you this year – you were amazing! Special thanks to **Eli, Bo, Caolán, Louis, Matty, George, Lauren, Alex, Laila, Amy, Will, Dexter, George and Carly**

Mr Parsons and Mr Austin from the Site Team for helping us set up both of our Sports Day events and helping us out whenever we needed it including last minute calls for stakes and barrier tape, flooded toilets, event shelters and a whole lot more!

Miss Talis and Mrs Cameron in Art for being so helpful when students were designing their flags – thank you for giving up so much of your own time and resources to help students design and create their house flags for Sports Day!

Mrs Grocock and Mr Nethercote for providing First Aid cover during the week & on Sports Day. Our students are very fortunate to have amazing support immediately available to them when they needed it!

Mrs Sharp and the Catering Team for providing refreshments on Sports Day and changing their whole service routine during a busy transition to our new catering providers! Thank you also for letting Crockerne Primary students use the toilets in the canteen while you were preparing for a normal days service for the rest of the school!

Mr Francis-Black for letting us use his van and PA system for Sports Day and all of the setting up and support in

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preparation and clearing away that you gave us! **Mr Hodgson** for his skills on commentary.

All of the members of staff who supported Sports Week so brilliantly, battled with the disruption caused across the school and also stayed to help us pack away after Sports Day! I know I have missed loads of you but a few highlights I remember **Mrs Cavanagh** enthusiastically helping pack away, **Mr Simmonds** dismantling a gazebo in record time, **Ms Wyld** wheeling bins back to their proper places, **Mr Birtle** and **Mrs Robinson** head to head in the staff relay, **Heads of House** for really entering in to the spirit of the competition

Every single one of the 494 that took part in some Sports Week activity – for everyone else; we're out to get you next year! We're getting bigger numbers each year!

Every single student who helped support any of the Sports Week activities – lots of students were involved in leadership, lots of students helped to set up activities and everyone still had PE lessons as normal and cooperated really well with staff during those times

Miss Ball deserves a special mention from the PE Faculty for taking on the mammoth task of organising the whole week every year and always does an amazing job!

Thank you to everyone who helped make Sports Week 2019 such a fantastic week!

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