



#### **SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS**

It all started before the Christmas holidays as our indoor athletics team found out what events they would be doing at the competition. This is a very unique competition as it is based around the Olympics, where some children will do a couple of event and some will specialise in their own event like Chest Push. After a solid practice over the final few weeks before Christmas and over the holidays they returned ready to rumble. We arrived at the competition 27 strong, whilst many other schools brought the minimum needed of 16. We have a few very specialised children who are fantastic at their event and this was shown by their scores. We breezed through the first heat winning an astonishing 17 out of the 22 events possible. We knew this was just the start of our road to success. As it was, we arrived at the finals with the same squad all ready to do the same as we had done in the heats. We knew that we had the beating of most of the schools due to their scores in the previous round of their heats but we knew our strongest competition was going to come from Coldfall like it did last year. Coldfall led by 12 points after the field events, a slightly shocking number to most of the athletes who weren't used to being behind. But the track events is where the boys and girls knew we were strong with our well-rehearsed baton changes. With 2 events of the 22 left, ourselves and Coldfall were LEVEL!!! A good girls Parlaauf race which gained another point from Coldfall meant the boys simply had to beat Coldfall by 1 place to advance and they duly obliged sending the Rhodes Avenue support into rapturous applause. This now qualifies us to attend the London Regional Final at the Harrow Leisure Centre the first week back after half term! A fantastic opportunity for our now 28 strong team.



#### **BOYS AND GIRLS FOOTBALL**

Both the Boys (Best) and Girls Football team have continued to excel in all competitions this year as they keep progressing through to the next rounds of competitions. The Boys (Best mixed) team won the Watford Regional Final to progress to the NATIONAL FINAL and represent Watford at the King Power Stadium in Leicester, whilst the girls progressed through the Tottenham branch and will join the boys in Leicester to represent Tottenham. A great achievement and the first ever school to progress their boys and girls teams through to the finals. A fantastic achievement!! The girls will also be off to Thamesmead as Middlesex champions to take part in the South England Finals later this half term. Their determination and desire to win takes some stopping and so far no one has managed to break their resilience. Fingers crossed both squads can go and represent the school in the best way possible at the next rounds!



## **INDOOR CRICKET**

As winners of the London Cricket League, the mixed indoor cricket team got a visit from the sponsor of the competition, Ganador. They came into school to present our cricketers with some fantastic brand new equipment that they will be able to use going into the Finals. We thank Ganador for their fantastic work with cricket in Middlesex and beyond. Both the A and B cricket squads went off to an indoor tournament where the winners would qualify for the semi finals. As London champions, we knew we had a great chance, and after gaining composure after some silly mistakes we were able to go through quite convincingly through to the Semi Finals. We will now be up against boroughs from the East end of London in Leyton on the 1<sup>st</sup> March. I look forward to telling you all about it!!!



## **SECONDARY X COUNTRY**

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January, on a bitterly cold day in Harrow, Rhodes Avenue sent 3 runners to compete in the Year 7 Middlesex Cross Country event at Harrow School. This is a very prestigious event and one that children have to qualify from Haringey to be able to represent them in the finals. All 3; Hamish, Ella and Manu, ran some fantastic races against some high quality opposition. In total there were 15 current or ex Rhodes Avenue pupils running throughout years 6-10. This shows what a fantastic platform primary school cross country is, and it is great to see so many of them carry it on into secondary school.

## **YEAR 2/3 GAME VS NORFOLK HOUSE**

We used the fantastic link we are developing with Norfolk House, to provide our Year 2 and 3 boys to play some friendly football games against Norfolk House. The games were all played in the right spirit and all the children had a fantastic time. We look forward to being able to do more of these games giving many more children the opportunity, should they wish to, to play football against another school. There will also be other opportunities for other children in Years 2 and 3 this year to be able to compete in a friendly game.

## **INTRA SPORT ATHLETICS**

Just after Xmas, we announced our Intra School Athletics winners. Children ran, jumped, threw and bounced their way to as many points as they possibly could to gain points for their continents. Each winning continent from each class received medals and all points went to their total house points for the year. Congratulations to all the winners of the Indoor Athletics



## **Student Sporting Achievements**

Please do not hesitate to forward on any information about your children sporting achievements outside Rhodes Avenue Primary School. We have very talented children at Rhodes Avenue and we want to make sure children are commended. Any further questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me at [aali68.309@lgflmail.org](mailto:aali68.309@lgflmail.org)

## HAC PCUBED RUGBY

As winners of the Haringey Tournament, our mixed Tag Rugby side were invited to the very prestigious Honorable Artillery Compound to compete in a Rugby tournament as a showpiece before the professional game took place. Only 6 schools in London are invited to this event each year and so we are very proud to be involved in it. A good start for the boys and girls beating the Islington Champions in the first game, before coming up against an always tough St Michaels who were this year determined not to be beat. But neither were Rhodes Avenue. Putting bodies on the line literally with Rhodes Avenue having 5 different children knocked to the floor in the 'No Contact' Tag Rugby, they simply got on with their business and scored 2 tries. 2 late tries from St Michaels, one being very contentious indeed with their player bulldozing his way past our girls knocking 2 to the floor at once and leaving one with a bloody nose, gave them the draw. The children put in a tremendous effort to pick themselves up and go again with 3 further wins to cement our place at the top of the league and win the PCUBED title for the 4<sup>th</sup> year out of 5. Some fantastic efforts from all the children but a special mention was given to Lola as she picked up the player of the tournament. Some teams were made up of only boys and the ones that did have mixed sides, decided to only play boys against us. That didn't matter to our boys and girls who shone through the whole day to deservedly pick up the shield!



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