



Hoo St Werburgh Primary School

PE —Term 2-3 Newsletter

Welcome back to the second edition of Hoo's PE Newsletter. This term has continued with a focus of building on the schools LORIC values but this time with a focus on dance and indoor athletics.



Mini-Youth Games and Festivals

This term has seen many more Mini-Youth Games and Festivals take place, giving yet more children the opportunity to represent our school. This term, children from years 5 and 6 have represented the school in Basketball, where all children involved demonstrated their fantastic LORIC values and also won plenty of games. As well as this, yet more children from Year 5 and 6 represented HSW at the Badminton Mini-Youth Games. It was clear the children implemented the skills they had developed from the badminton afterschool club as it allowed them to win a minimum of 1 set in every game they played. Well done!

12 children from year 2 received 'Playground Leader' training, which has allowed them to organise, host and run playground games at break and lunch time. This training also developed the children's communication and teamwork skills which we have seen them passed onto other children at break and lunch times!

Rivermead Inclusive Trust Games

Term 2 saw the start of the Rivermead Inclusive Trust Games where all schools and provisions within the trust compete against one another in various sports and activities. Two children from all year groups represented HSW for the first competition at Walderslade Primary School, which was Speed Stacking. The competition helped all children gain valuable experiences in competitive environments which will benefit them as they continue to grow and develop.

Learning Update

Year 1 & 2

This term in PE, year 1 and 2 have been focusing on dance, running and jumping. Year 1 have linked their dancing to heroes, whilst year 2 have linked their dance to exploring which has allowed the children to combine something many are passionate about, with a main area of the PE curriculum. Both year 1 and 2 have also spent much of term 2 exploring and developing running, through lots of different games, the children have been able to develop and learn correct techniques, which has helped them become faster runners!



Year 3 & 4

This term in Year 3 and 4, Tigers and Polar Bears have begun to learn line dancing with Mr Millard and Mrs dean, which has allowed them to develop movements to patterns, beats and improve coordination. Ocelots and Wolves have linked dance to space, which has helped year 4 become creative with their routines. Additionally, Year 3 and 4 have begun to develop, explore and expand their knowledge of indoor athletics, focusing on jumping, running and throwing activities. The final lesson of the term has combined all of the activities learnt into a competition which has given children the chance to compete against one another and show off the amazing skills that they have learnt.

Year 5

This term in Year 5, Sharks and Lions have continued with their development in swimming and have explored different types of events in indoor athletics. When swimming, both sharks and lions have continued improving their front and back crawl, developed their water safety and have explored different ways of entering the water. Indoor athletics has seen continued development of activities such as long jump, triple jump, javelin and sprint racing. This has built on previous links to the pupils' prior learning of fundamental movement skills which has focused on throwing, jumping and running.

Year 6

Much like the rest of the school, Meerkats and Pandas class spent term 2 exploring dance and indoor athletics. With Miss Brennan and Mr M'Grady, Year 6 learnt how to perform the 'Bachata', a Mexican style of dancing which linked to their learning journey of Mexico. Pandas and Meerkats, like year 5 explored the same areas of indoor athletics but in a more competitive environment, which helped build links to our LORIC values of 'Resilience'.

Term 3

Term 3 is set to be a very busy term with multiple festivals and competitions for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Over the next term it is hoped that school will be able to take up to 50 children to Mini-Youth Games and festivals to represent the school in various sports, activities and games. In addition to that, here is what the children will be focusing on next term:

FS, Y1, Y2 – Fundamental Movement Skills development and Gymnastics

Y3, Y5, Y6 – **Gymnastics and Tag Rugby**

Y4 – **Swimming and Gymnastics.**

And finally...

15 pupils from year 6 had the opportunity to represent the school at the Kent School Games Indoor Athletics Festival. This fantastic event helped a number of children build bonds with each other and other pupils from the Hundred of Hoo School. This event helped children from both schools develop skills in team work, communication and build confidence levels in PE. Both schools were a credit to themselves and the school, well done!

