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Who Runs The World...

The Orienteering League 2022-23 results are in! HBJ came...

1st in Sheffield (out of 65 teams)

Primary Girls 4-1st place

Primary Boys 4-2nd place

Primary Girls 5-1st place

Primary Boys 5-1st place

Individual prizes:

Primary Girls 4-Esther F 2nd best in Sheffield, (Elsie Br 6th as a Y3!)

Primary Boys 5-Alex F-2nd, Oscar S-3rd

Primary Boys 6-Louis B-Joint 1st

We were presented with the Sheffield Federation for Schools (SFSS) trophy and individual certificates and chocolates on Saturday 24th June in an afternoon event at Millhouses Park. This event celebrated the end of the 22/23 Saturday Series and ran

alongside the prize-giving for SFSS schools and Saturday Series leagues.

Another successful orienteering year with a fantastic effort from all pupils who participated. Winning again this year meant that HBJ retained the trophy for the third year running! (and for the 8th time out of 9, in the last 10 years! With a year missed due to covid).

Full results can be found here: <https://www.southyorkshireorienteeers.org.uk/schools/787>



HBJ Jump on the kind offer!

On Wednesday 24th May 15 of our Y4-6 pupils were invited for a fun afternoon away from school. We were taken by Minibus provided by King Edwards to their Lower School for a Trampolining lesson provided by Miss Murray and her Y9 Sports Leaders. Pupils were chosen due to their past experience or due to their interest in trampolining. All the children had a great afternoon making great progress and really appreciated the assistance of the King Edwards Sports Leaders.



Swim-pressive

"Hunter's Bar Swimming Sharks" achieved a 5th place finish in the Swimming Gala (Thursday 25th May), with a fantastic all round performance. Many pupils who were competing for the first time faced their fears and were able to contribute to the team. Effort. Thank you to Mrs Bridges, Mrs Riley-Stitt and Mrs Amin for all their help on the night (and in the lead up to the event).



Did you know... Fructose, Maltose and Dextrose are all other names for sugar? This is where reading food labels can get a little confusing.

Foods that are high in sugar will appear higher up in the ingredients list. Most products list sugar as carbohydrates (of which sugars). Look out for sugar by a different name: glucose, sucrose, maple syrup, corn syrup, agave syrup, honey, hydrolysed starch, invert sugar, molasses...Find out more here: [Eat Smart Sheffield - Newsletter Summer 2023](#)



HBJ Football Update

Y6 Girls League - On Tuesday 25th March our Y5/6 Girls went to play games against Dobcroft A & B (after Portercroft dropped out). They lost both games to two strong Dobcroft teams 4-0 and 2-0 but played some great football.

Football vs Nether Edge

On Thursday 22nd June our Y5 "Boys" played up against a Y6 team. A tough test for them with the team coming back to draw the game 4-4 with a last second equaliser scored by Effie Clark. Our Y6 Girls also played and drew 1-1 missing the chance to snatch a win with Captain Alice hitting the crossbar in the dying moments of the match.

On Thursday 29th June our Y4 Boys played up against a mixed Y4/5 team. Again, a game to test them, they ended up losing 4-3 in an exciting game which thrilled the parents. On the second pitch our Y4/5 girls won 3-1 with goals from Juno x 1, Effie x 1 & an own goal. This was the first ever competitive game for the majority of these girls who have been attending Wildcats Sessions after school.



Brownlee Foundation Mini-Triathlon

15 Year 6 pupils were given the chance to take part in the Brownlee Foundation Mini-Triathlon. The event was non-competitive and designed to be fun and inclusive. All pupils were given the opportunity to try the disciplines of triathlon (swim, bike, run) and upon crossing the finishing line they were given a medal and goodie bag containing some healthy treats. Pupils from Springs Academy were used as Sports Leaders and helped to ensure things ran smoothly alongside the event staff and organisers. A great event and something we'll be looking to return to in the future.



Cricket

On Tuesday 23rd May two teams from HBJ went to compete in the Y3/4 ECB Dynamos Cricket event at Hollinsend Cricket Club. Both our Y3 and Y4 teams did well winning 2 games out of 3 and just missing out on topping the group.

"I think everyone really enjoyed it, it was really nice to see other schools playing and enjoying it with friends" -SB

"We all bowled and batted but mainly fielded throughout the day. Arlo hit an amazing bat for a great 6 making a great win for the game" -SCJ

"A friend's dad helped coach the team which made it a lot more comfortable for the team." -SH

A thank you to Mrs Khurram & Mr M Johnson (Sebby's dad) who helped to look after the Y4 team (whilst Mr A took the Y3 team). We look forward to coming back to compete next year!



SFSS Athletics

On Wednesday 7th June our Year 6 Athletics team went to take part in Group 3 (out of 4) of the SFSS Athletics. Shooting off straight from school for a 4.15pm start, all our pupils were able to compete in their respective events and enjoyed a great evening of Athletics down at the Sheffield Hallam University Athletics Stadium. Whilst we are proud of all the pupils who were selected to compete, it was great to see some of our pupils qualify for the city finals: Cricket ball throw - Toby WM & Umair H, 80m - Rosie A, 150m - Rosie A & Daisy H, 800m - Evan S & Daisy H, Long Jump - Albert P.

Due to qualifying (On Monday 26th June) 5 pupils (instead of 6 due to Rosie's broken toes!) represented HBJ in the Sheffield Federation for School Sports Athletics City Finals. A great evening of Athletics coupled with a fantastic effort from the pupils meant all 5 of them earned a top 10 placing for their individual events. Evan managed to have the pick of the results though making his way onto the podium with a 2nd place finish in the 800m!



De-Ja Vu Flag Football

On Friday 19th May, Hunter's Bar took a mixed year team to compete in the NFL (National Football League) UK, Sheffield and Rotherham Primary Flag Competition.

After an extensive trialling process, 10 pupils (5-Year 5 pupils and 5-Year 6 pupils) were selected to try and emulate the success of Angram Bank last year and make it to the next round of Nationals with a final goal of a game in Las Vegas.

It was another great day of Flag Football (as was the same last year), but we were unlucky (again – same as last year) not to make the final 4.

In another eerie twist we played 5 games (3 competitive & 2 friendlies) & only lost one (again like last year!) Felix & Evan (2nd year running) were named the MVP's (Most Valuable Players) of the day (selected by their peers)

And Finally congratulations to Angram Bank (again!) for winning the competition.



Y6 Orangeball Tennis Competition



On Wednesday 17th March Hunter's Bar took a team of Year 5 and 6 pupils (with 2 year 4 pupils coming to play to gain some experience) to compete in the Y6 Orangeball Tennis Competition at Hallamshire Squash and Tennis Club. Our pupils got to enjoy an afternoon out of school with some great competitive matches against each other and Nether Green Junior School.

Our C & D team finished joint 4th on 5 points. Our B team finished 3rd with 8 points. and our A team finished joint 1st with Nether Green on 11 points.

Thank you to all the parents who were able to come and support as well as Kyle Wright from ForgeSSP for the invite to play and his organisation to ensure everything ran smoothly on the day..

Headteachers Award

On Tuesday 4th July at the Sheffield Schools Get Active Awards evening, Mr Watson was a joint winner of the Leadership in an Active School Award.

Rising through positions from a teacher, Assistant Head, Deputy Head and finally Headteacher; PE, School Sport and Physical Activity (PESSPA) is something that has always been championed by Michael Watson during his time at Hunter's Bar Junior School (as well as in his previous position at Reignhead Primary).

Coming from a mixed sporting background himself, movement and the relationship to progress in the classroom is something that has always been given high value at Hunter's Bar (HBJs). For this reason, a specialist PE role was set up and developed for Paul Ryan who worked at the school from 2011 – 2017 (becoming a full time PE specialist in 2013) under the guidance of Michael and the ex Headteacher Jill Hallsworth. This role helped to highlight the importance of PESSPA throughout the whole school. Pupils' ownership of clubs also developed with Just Dance and Jammy Dodgers (dodgeball) clubs becoming pupil favourites.

During 2013-2017 HBJs was identified as a successful practitioner within the field of physical education and sport and was invited to join the Youth Sport Trust Innovation School network (one of four primary schools in England) implementing an investigation into Improving Attitudes to Editing and Improving Writing Through Physical Education and Sport. Alongside this, HBJs gained selection as one of only six primary schools involved in the YST Ambassador Schools programme. Initiatives spearheaded by Paul and Michael lead to the school being given a Yorkshire Sport Foundation Centre of Excellence accreditation.

To build upon the excellent work that had been done, Michael recruited Babajide Adebola into the full time PE role in 2019, allowing him to mould PE and develop club links (over 25 external sporting providers) to create pathways into competitive sport for pupils at HBJ.

Since 2019, HBJs has helped in the development of sporting curriculums for the Youth Sport Trust and The FA., has achieved the Platinum School Games Mark award, won the School Games Award (Westfield School Games Hub) at the Sheffield Schools Get Active Awards, seen Clive Fairweather win the Sports Volunteer of the Year Award (Sheffield Federation for Schools Sport), developed the SEND sporting provision through Points Learning Network/Links School Sports Partnership, developed swimming for Y4 pupils with swimming occurring all the way through the academic year, become a PESSPA champion School helping PE Leads in other schools develop their knowledge and practice and become an FA Wildcats centre providing opportunities for female footballers to develop their skills - and is still the only primary school within Sheffield to be a Wildcats centre.

Whilst entrusting Babajide to continue to develop PESSPA within HBJs, Michael is always actively involved in ensuring anything done in a sporting capacity is the right fit for the school and all its pupils – as well as attending sporting events on evenings and weekends to cheer on and support pupils. Success in sporting competitions continues to happen but more importantly ensuring pupils are able to access sport and clubs has become a major focus. Pupil Premium/Free School Meals children pay 0-50% (maximum) for any clubs within HBJ and externally to ensure that they also have access to these Sporting opportunities.

This overview of ensuring opportunities are provided for pupils lead to (in 2021/22) 55% of the school taking part in an Enrichment Activity (e.g. Bikeability) or an After-School/Lunchtime club, 96% of Y4&6 pupils attending Castleton & Thornbridge residentials, 93% of pupils taking part in Sports Day (off site), and HBJs entering 57 of the sporting activities/festivals/matches offered (out of 63), with 61% of the school representing HBJs at sporting competitions and 81% of pupils on the inclusion register representing HBJs over the academic year. Michael has already tasked Babajide with improving on these figures in the 2022/23 academic year!

Whilst entrusting his PE Leads to raise the profile of PESSPA within HBJs, Michael has always had an active role in supporting PESSPA initiatives. Learning for life is the school's motto and Michael believes that there is a sport out there for every child, it's all about them being able to find it, which is something he looks to support here at Hunter's Bar Juniors.



Points Network Games.

On Tuesday 16th March a group of thirty pupils (made up of year 3 and 4 pupils) from Hunters Bar Juniors went across to the English Institute of Sport to take part in the Points Learning Network, Network Games.

The Network Games is an inclusive event where school teams of 30 are split into 3 teams of 10 who compete against each other. The winning team score is then put forward to compete against the other schools top scores and they are ranked for the final presentation.

There are ten different active stations (with two rest stations where pupils could recharge and grab a drink): Don't Stop Running, Long Jump, Foam Javelin, Obstacle Relay, Speed Bounce, Target Throw, Blaze Pods (new this year and non-scoring), Basketball Slalom, Speed Stack (non-scoring) and Boccia (non-scoring).

All of our Year 3 and 4 pupils had a brilliant time with the Blaze Pod station being a real hit as well as the Jumbo Cups Speed Stacks station! (Which you may have seen at Sports Day). It was amazing to see all the smiles on their faces! and HBJ came 8th out of 11 schools. Our three teams (named by the pupils "Chocolate Bars", "Seven Hunters" and our highest scoring team, Hunter's Arrows) were a combination of Y3 and Y4 pupils with the Year 4 pupils taking an active role to help support our Year 3 pupils.



Harlem Globetrotters

(On Tuesday 2nd May) Mr Adebola and Mr Preston drew a name (out of a digital hat) to see which pupil (who had participated in a sporting club or competition) would be the worthy winner of 4 tickets to go & see the Harlem Globetrotters on Thursday 4th May at the Utilita Arena Sheffield. Eddy A was selected as our lucky winner and took his brother and Euan along to see the Harlem Globetrotters 2023 World Tour show. The game was the Globetrotters head-to-head against the Washington Generals (who were trying for their first win since 1971!)

"I really liked when the match stopped and they put in additional extra bits, it made the match feel like a play in a theatre- these parts were really funny. Also it was great when the Globetrotters repeated their actions but faster and faster." EA

A great night for Eddy, Ben and Euan who managed to meet a few stars and get some autographs for Mr Adebola to frame for the school wall of fame.





Learning for Life

www.huntersbarjunior.co.uk

Sports news and information

We continually update our [school sports page](#) on the Hunter's Bar Juniors website.

Pupils write about the sporting events we participate in and this information is available on the sports page (Hyper-linked above) or you can click the picture below to go directly to our school games website.



Bikeability

We have been lucky enough to get the Bikeability team back in again (After their visit to Year 6 in December) to work with our Year 5 classes. As we have managed to squeeze in another 90 pupils for their Level 1, (next year) Year 5 will be doing Bikeability again. Every year it's great to see so many pupils make progress across the week, especially the pupils in our Learn To Ride group.



#LetGirlsPlay

Continuing on the legacy of the Women's Euros, 5 Y5 girls were given the opportunity to attend the Primary Girls Football Leadership /Activator Training. This helps provide young leaders with their first steps into football leadership and for them to return to school to deliver football based activities to peers. The girls went to EIS for a full day to train with Sheffield United Community Foundation coaches. This was beneficial for the girls as it gave them a great experience of competitive sport. Within the day the girls were able to bring back useful drills which they can then teach to the other girls who love the sport.

The girls took the training in their stride and came up with an action plan (together with Mr Hewson) to run a girls football club on a Thursday lunchtime 12:30pm-1:00pm. The girls use Wednesday lunchtime as a day to plan sessions. From fun tigggy games, to skill development and matches to develop rules and tactics awareness.

"The idea of this is to raise football spirit in Hunters Bar to encourage playing football. We know a lot of girls that love the sport but are too afraid to play, either just because they're anxious or because of sometimes playing in front of the boys". "This club is a helpful encouragement club for girls to feel confident to play football against and with the boys".

Effie (along with Hannah who didn't take the training) also helped Mr Adebola with a successful application to win a free girls football kit & Nike hijabs through the Premier League Primary Stars initiative! This amazing work will help in continuing to raise the profile of girls football here at Hunter's Bar.



MLB First Pitch Festival

On Thursday 8th June 30 Year 5 pupils were taken by Mr Bainbridge and Mr Hewson to the MLB (Major League Baseball) First Pitch Festival: Sheffield!

The event was part of a global initiative for youth baseball, [Play Ball Week-end](#), so all pupils participating were a part of baseball events happening all around the world! It was a fantastic event and the goodies handed out (T-shirts, badges and foam baseball sets) were a brilliant finale to end the day.



Dr Bryan English Visit

In June it was an honour to have Middlesbrough's Head of Medicine / Club Doctor Dr. Bryan English come and join us in school to deliver a talk on healthy bodies and eating - in relation to sport (& elite sport) to our Y4-6 pupils. A planned 30 minute talk went on for over 60 minutes with pupils asking a variety of questions & a few demonstrations done by Ben (Y5), Mr Bainbridge and Mrs Wales.

A huge thank you to Dr. English for taking the time out of his busy pre-season schedule to come and share his wealth of knowledge with us.

