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#### Cross Country

The season is well underway and after two events the team are hopeful of success this year. Races have been held at Norfolk Park and Parkwood Springs and the turn out from HBJ has been tremendous. Thirty children attended the first race with a similar number at the second event. Results have been excellent too. Freya (J11) finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, Beth was 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> and Year 3 Jude (J3) has completed his first cross country races, finishing an impressive 19<sup>th</sup> and 34<sup>th</sup>.

The next race is at Bradfield Secondary School on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 10am start. All enthusiastic runners welcome.

#### British Orienteering Championships

With the amazing help and support of Pauline Tryner, HBJ entered their first British Schools' Score Orienteering Championships, this year held at Rother Valley Country Park. Score orienteering requires pupils to visit control markers in any order in a set time. Competitors can be set off individually or in pairs and have to arrive back at the finish within their set time, otherwise they receive a penalty. The team of nineteen boys and girls

from HBJ, produced an amazing team display, amassing enough points to be crowned girls' champions, with the boys' finishing in silver medal place in their category. Individual achievements were equally impressive. Ella

(J5) won silver, whilst Beth (J5) and Sophia (J9) won bronze in the Year 5 girls' category. In the Year 6 girls' category, Freya (J11) won gold with Lotte (J11) winning bronze.

Congratulations to all those who took part.



#### English Schools' Football Cup

We again entered the English Schools' Cup in both the boys' and girls' competition. With both competitions taking place on the same



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night, Mr Ryan took the girls to Lowedges Junior Academy whilst Mr Gregory and Mr Hurley took the boys to Notre Dame High School. It turned out to be a similar story for both teams with mixed fortunes throughout the night. The girls' started the evening with a convincing 3-0 win against Carfield. Goals from Grace (J9) and Ciara (J10) sealed the win. Unfortunately, that was the only victory of the evening, as the team came up against some strong opposition and well organised teams in Lowedges, Mundella and Norton Free. The night was still a positive one and the girls' learned a lot from the occasion, which will only benefit them as the league season gets underway later next month.



The boys' had an equally good start to their cup campaign, winning 2-1 versus Birkdale and

3-0 versus Walkley. Goals from Louis (J12), Angus (J11), Oliver (J11) and Stephen (J12) wrapping up the wins. The team went on to record a 2-2 draw with Hallam, before defeats against St Marie's and St Wilfrid's ended their hope of progressing in the competition.

Both Mr Hurley and Mr Ryan commented on how impressed they both were with the attitude and effort that all the players showed during the evening and all involved should be extremely proud.

### Lindy Hop



The Y6 Lindy Hop competition took place on Thursday 26th of October and was a real success. 90 parents attended and all the children danced their socks off. Each class demonstrated all of the school's Secrets of Success and put on an immensely enjoyable and entertaining show

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which left children and adults smiling throughout. The judges (Mr Goodhand, Mrs Stockley, Mrs Amin and Mr Hull) had a near impossible job in selecting the semi-finalists, finalists and ultimately the winners. Talking of winners, a special mention must go to Freya T and Lola from J11 who were crowned our Y6 Lindy Hop Champions. Year six however, were all winners and did the school and themselves proud with their attitude, confidence and hard work. One parent's comment went so far as to say, "Best school event ever!" Another parent had to invent a new word to describe their joy, "FABTASTIC!"

A huge thank you must go to Mr Ryan and Ms Scott who went above and beyond to make the experience authentic by decorating the hall and organising the event from behind the scenes. Can we do it all again please?



### Yorkshire Honours



We have our very own sporting superstar at Hunter's Bar who is following in the footsteps of his idol and three times world squash champion Nick Matthew. George is very proud to have been selected to represent Yorkshire Boy's Under 11 second team playing at no. 1. In a recent tournament in September, George finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place. He has also reached his first final of an English Squash national ranking event and is currently ranked 44<sup>th</sup> in the country at his age group.

Multi-talented, George also swims and has represented the North East squad again in the English Schools' para-swim team.

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Big congratulations must go to George for all his hard work, training and dedication. Keep up the good work!

## British Champion

It is fair to say that Freya is Miss Sporty at Hunter's Bar. I'm not sure if there is a pupil in school who doesn't know and look up to Freya as an exemplary role model to emulate.

Despite being an all-rounder she excels in Orienteering. Freya is currently; British champion, northern champion, midland champion, British sprint champion, JK sprint champion and JK middles champion in her age category. It is fair to say that she dominates her sport.

Despite her obvious ability she remains polite, respectful and humble of her achievements. Indeed, in a recent celebration assembly she forgot to mention her recent crown of British champion in the sprints. Freya also possesses a talent when it comes to athletics. She finished 3rd in the recent primary cross country event, represents Hallamshire Harriers and finished fourth in the long jump and 4th in

the 100m at the Yorkshire Championships. Freya continues to be driven and shows a real determination to succeed. She thrives on competition and will give 100% to achieve success both for herself and any team she represents. A truly inspiring pupil and a shining example of what hard work and dedication can achieve.



## Dates for your Diary

Sportshall Athletics Y5-6	8 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Cross Country Y3-6	11 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Orienteering Y3-6	11 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Netball Coaching Y5	14 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Netball League Y5-6	22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov
Cross Country Y3-6	25 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Cross Country Y3-6	9 <sup>th</sup> Dec