

Poulton Lancelyn Sports Newsletter Spring Term

Once again, we have had a busy term of sporting competitions and participation in our enrichment clubs. This newsletter is a summary of our competition performance across Spring Term. As always, we would like to congratulate all of the pupils who represented the school.

Football

17.01.23

Spring's sporting events began with the Lower Key Stage Two 'Activity for All' football competition. Poulton entered two teams (Year 3 and Year 4) into the tournament and both performed brilliantly. The Year 3 team, who were competing against children in the year above them, played 6 games - winning three, drawing one and losing two, which resulted in them finishing in a very respectable third position. The Year 4 team won five of their games and drew the other. As they did not lose a game, they achieved first place. What a brilliant start to 2023 it was!



25.01.23

A team of Year 3 and Year 4 pupils were given the opportunity to represent the school at the Tranmere Futsal competition. This was a competition aimed at allowing pupils who do not play football for a team outside of school to represent school in a team event and all of the pupils did this wonderfully. After losing their first 3 matches, the team then secured a draw. Halfway through the competition, they were put in a new group and went on to win a game and draw the other two. It was lovely to see the pride and enjoyment on the players' faces throughout the event.

25.01.23

A team of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils competed in the Liverpool Football Competition at Anfield Community Centre. The team played superbly and won the competition! This means that they progress to the next round at Liverpool's training ground. If they win this tournament, they then go on to represent Liverpool at Leeds' stadium, Elland Road. Good luck team!



03.02.23

Another team of Year 5 and 6 players competed in the Everton FC competition at Vauxhalls. This was another event that would see the winning team progress to a regional finals day. After winning 5 and drawing 1 in the group stage, the team moved through to the semi-finals. Unfortunately, a late penalty was conceded against Parkgate Primary, which saw the team leave the competition. Again, the players competed brilliantly and represented the school superbly with their great sportsmanship.

06.02.23

We took 27 children to the Co-Op Academy in Bebington to take part in three football matches against Stanton Road. The boys came out on top, winning 4-0, whilst the girls played a fantastic game, which ended in a 1-1 draw. We also had a boys and girls match, which we won 3-2. All children played brilliantly and showed great sportsmanship throughout.



08.02.23

After winning the Liverpool Football competition at the Anfield Community Centre, the Year 5/6 boys travelled to Liverpool Academy to take part in the regional finals. The first 2 games didn't quite go to plan as we lost both matches. We therefore made a few tactical changes and went onto to win the next 2 games and drew the last meaning we finished in 3rd place. This was an excellent achievement in a very tough competition.



13.02.23

The Year 6 football team played in the 1st round of the Merseyside Schools Cup against Raeburn. This was one of the most difficult games that the boys have played so far this season with both teams having the share of possession and chances on goal. The team went into the half-time break 1-0 up with a fantastic team goal scored from. We then scored early on with another goal from Harry. George then got a 3rd from the penalty spot before Raeburn scored from a penalty also. We now advance to the 2nd round against Christ The King.



15.02.23

Mr Welch took a team of Year 5/6 girls to play in the Tranmere Rovers Cup at the Co-Op Academy, Bebington. The girls all played superbly and all represented the school impeccably throughout the competition.

2.3.23

We travelled to Great Meols to play in our final group game of the Houlihan Cup. A win would mean that we would top the group and go through to the next round. After a tough start on a really bobbly pitch, the boys started playing some really good football and went 1-0 up right before half time with a goal from George. The second half started really well but we just couldn't find the next goal that we deserved. We made a couple of changes with Joseph and Mylo coming on and, within 2 minutes, we went 3-0 up - it was fully deserved. We continued to play some excellent football, created some great chances and we ended up winning the game 5-0. We look forward to seeing who we play in the next round.

6.3.23

As part of our commitment to get more children to participate in sport, we took a team of Year 3 children to a football competition at Stanton Road. All of the players enjoy football but don't play for a team outside of school. In the four matches they played, the team drew three and won one game 3-0. Throughout the competition, they did not concede a goal. Every player played with a smile on their face and will hopefully go on to play more football outside of school for a team.

8.03.23

The year 6 boys' football team took the short journey to Christ the King in Bromborough to play in the 2nd round of the Merseyside Schools Cup.

In snowy and freezing conditions, the boys put on a superb performance - going 3-0 up within the first 10 minutes. Christ the King fought back and grabbed a goal just before half time, leaving the score 4-1. The second half was a pleasure to watch as both teams played some really good attacking football. After a goal coming early on from Christ the King, our boys fought on and came out on top - winning 8-2. Onto the next round of the cup!

13.03.23

Our year 4/5 football team started their defence of the Corgi Cup in a 10 goal thriller against Raeburn Primary School. The match was played on a very muddy and wet pitch, which made it hard to string any passes together and get any shots on target. Raeburn came flying out of the blocks - going into the half time break 5-1 up. At the half time break, we made a few changes; we changed our formation and it worked a treat. Within 60 seconds of the restart, we got a goal back from Oliver. Soon after that, we got another from Alfie. The game started to sway our way and, with 2 minutes of the game remaining, we got a 5th goal to make the score 5-5! With the game finishing 5-5, we went into extra time. Both teams created some really good chances and could have both won the game during extra time. Extra time finished 5-5 and the dreaded penalties beckoned. Raeburn went first and missed. Finn made a great save. After a few penalties taken, we were winning 3-2. If we scored our next penalty, we would win the game. Josh stepped up...and their keeper pulled off a great save. A few more penalties taken and the score was now 4-4. Raeburn stepped up next. If they scored, they would take the lead in the shootout for the first time. Finn once again pulled off another amazing save! Alfie was next for us, knowing that if he scored, we would win. Alfie stepped up and smashed the ball straight down the middle - leaving the keeper with no chance. The team pulled off a remarkable comeback and go into the next round of the cup!



Rugby

20.03.2023

A team of year 5 and 6 boys and girls took part in a tag rugby MAT event at Great Meols. The team played 6 matches against schools from the MAT. The players showed real determination throughout every game, winning 3, drawing 1 and losing 2. Well done to everyone that participated and represented the school.

28.03.2023

After our achievements in rugby competitions during Autumn Term, we were invited to an invitation only competition at Birkenhead Rugby Club – The International Rugby Tournament. This competition will be held over 3 nights, with every school playing each other. Tonight, we played against 4 schools and the team demonstrated why they are one of the favourites to win the competition by winning every game. The last game against West Kirby proved to be the most difficult, however Poppy scored a try in the final second to seal a 2-1 victory. We are very much looking forward to the next two nights after half term.



Other Sports

Dodgeball

18.01.23

Mrs Coull took a team of Year 3 and 4 pupils to a dodgeball competition at Birkenhead Park School. The team played 6 games and finished in 2nd place. Their behaviour was outstanding and they were a credit to the school.

24.01.23

In a small tournament, consisting of only three schools, a team of Year 5 and 6 players competed in the Activity For All dodgeball competition. After playing 8 games, our team emerged as winners of the competition and demonstrated excellent behaviour and sportsmanship throughout.



Bowling

16.02.23

A group of children from Year 3 and 4 represented our school at a ten pin bowling competition in New Brighton. All of the children bowled superbly and the team finished off with a great score of 518! Well done to everyone involved.



Multi-Skills

27.03.23

A group of 10 Year 3 children participated in the Bebington High multi-skills events. They demonstrated their running, jumping and throwing skills, whilst proudly representing the school for the first time in the juniors. Well done to everyone who participated.

Cross-Country

2.3.23

Children from Years 4, 5 and 6 competed in the fourth cross country race of the season at Arrowe Park. The course is the most difficult of all of the venues with a hill climb partway through. We had several new runners competing for school which was excellent to see. Notable performances included Niamh achieving 10th and Matilda achieving 12th in the Year 4 girls' race. Lenard achieved 11th and Josh achieved 15th in the Year 4 boys race. George came 18th in the Year 5 boys' race. All of the Year 6 boys placed in the top 20 with Owen coming first, Fred achieving 6th and Elias finishing 17th. The boys' team came second overall. The next race is 16th March at Birkenhead Park. This will be the last race before the relays, which will complete the season.

16.3.23

The cross country team visited Birkenhead Park for the final full length race of the season. Conditions were extremely muddy, making for some tough running, especially in the later races once the course had been used several times. The boys' team placed fourth overall with notable runs from Owen, second; Fred, fifth; Joseph, fifteenth, and Oliver, sixteenth, all of whom ran in their final Year 6 boys' race. Niamh put in an excellent run in the Year 4 girls' race, placing eleventh.

30.3.23

Today saw the end of the Wirral cross-country competitions with the relay races. Our A team came third overall and our B team finished fourth. All of the athletes demonstrated brilliant running and are keen to compete against MAT teams in May.

