



Brighton & Hove School Games Newsletter



Providing an update of School Games activity happening in the city.

This Autumn Term 1644 young people have taken part in School Games events with 112 Sports Leaders volunteering and running the competitions. 26 teachers have been involved in CPD courses and 28 Young Leaders have attended training.

Schools Celebrate at 'My Healthy School' event

31 of the 39 schools that achieved the School Games Mark attended the 'My Healthy Schools Celebration' event to receive their award from the Mayor Cllr Dee Simson. Students and teachers made their way down a blustery Brighton Palace Pier to the event.

They were welcomed with refreshments including healthy snacks and activities organised by the Public Health Schools Team. It was the first time the event combined winners of the School Games Mark and the Healthy Choice Breakfast Club award.

Anna from St Marys Primary School in Portslade commented 'Thank you for a great afternoon last Thursday. Very well organised and informative.

Very happy with both the Games and Breakfast Gold Awards. Also went away with more ideas for our Breakfast club'.

The Mayor also tweeted after the event that she was 'really impressed by how many of the schools in the city had achieved the awards'.

The application for the School Games Mark 2018/19 opens on the 9 May and more information can be found on the School Games Dashboard.



City Academy Whitehawk & Mayor Cllr Dee Simson

School Games Mark Winners 2017/18

Bronze: Brackenbury, Cardinal Newman, Hangleton, Hove Junior, Moulsecomb, St Martin's, St Mary Magdalen, St Paul's, St Peter's, Varndean School.

Silver: Benfield, Blatchington Mill, Dorothy Stringer, Goldstone, Our Lady of Lourdes RC, Patcham High, Patcham Junior, Queen's Park, Rudyard Kipling, Saltdean, St Joseph's, St Luke's, St Margaret's, West Blatchington, Woodingdean.

Gold: Balfour, Brunswick, City Academy Whitehawk, Coldean, Coombe Road-Cottesmore, Downs Junior, Elm Grove, Hertford, Middle Street, Peter Gladwin, St Mary's, Westdene.

Platinum: Carden

Competition News

Wintery Start to Cross Country



After a wintery start over 1,000 children took part in the annual Brighton and Hove Primary Schools Cross Country races at Waterhall on Wednesday 21 November.

Children from 41 different Brighton and Hove Primary schools took part – all racing over the 2k course.

Sports Leaders from Blatchington Mill, Dorothy Stringer and PACA helped at the event by marshalling out on the course and co-ordinating the race results. Phoenix Athletics club also supported the event by running the finish funnel.

The event had a new course this year which worked really well and many teachers praised the new layout.

Tag Rugby Festival

The annual primary school Tag Rugby Festival took place at Brighton Rugby Club on Wednesday 3 October. Over the day 23 primary schools took part with 276 year 5's and 6's having ago at

Tag Rugby. For many of the children this is their first time experiencing Tag Rugby.

The 24 Sports

Leaders from Cardinal Newman ran a skills workshop for the first hour followed by round robin games. This then gives the students the chance to put the new Tag Rugby Skills they have learnt into action. A big thank you to the Sports Leaders from Cardinal Newman.



Year 7 & 8 Indoor Athletics

Dorothy Stringer, Varndean, Longhill, PACA, Kings, BACA & Blatchington Mill all took part in 2 Indoor Athletics competitions held at Longhill. The 2 competitions were run by the Sports Leaders from Longhill who did a fantastic job in managing the year 7 and 8 events.

In the year 7 competition Stringer won both the boys & girls team event. In the year 8 competition Blatch won the girls event and Kings the boys event.

All of these teams will now represent Brighton and Hove at the School Games final at Tanbridge House on Friday 15 March 2019.



Year 5 & 6 Gymnastics

Over 2 weeks 96 students from 13 schools took part in the Key Steps Gymnastics Competition. This competition is aimed at novice gymnasts and gives many children their first opportunity at representing their school at a School Games event.

The competition was really close over the 2 weeks with Stanford Juniors topping the leader board and now going through to represent Brighton & Hove at the School Games finals in June.

A big thank you to the Sports Leaders from Dorothy Stringer who judged the performers at the competition. As this isn't an easy competition to judge.

Don't forget PE & School Sport Meeting Tuesday 8 Jan 2pm—4pm Carden Primary School