

# Sports Ambassador Celebration Assembly



Last Friday we received a special visit from Ali Knight who is the school games organiser for Central Warwickshire. She came to present the Sports Ambassadors with their medals and to congratulate them for making such a difference to young people's lives, encouraging them to be more active and lead healthier lifestyles. They have attended many training sessions and led numerous competitions over the year.

In addition, there is a trophy for 'Sports Ambassador of the Year' that is awarded to only 6 children out of the whole programme in Central Warwickshire which is approximately 90 ambassadors. The award is for the journey they themselves have made with their growth as a leader throughout the year. I'm extremely proud to announce that our very own Jake Parker received this award. Absolutely fantastic!

Well done to Jasmyn Green, Remy Newman, Daisy Webb, Jake Parker, Naomi Marshall, Sonny Ludbrook and Tamsin Squires for their outstanding leadership work this year.

# The Marathon Celebration

## Assembly



This year has been our third year taking part in the Kids Run Free marathon scheme to encourage children to be happy, healthy and active. Throughout the year we have collectively ran 14,231km, that's a total of 337 marathons between us!

Out of 400 children:

- 📍 **90%** of children ran at least 10k
- 📍 **54%** of children completed at least half a marathon
- 📍 **39%** of children completed at least 30k
- 📍 **25%** of children completed at least a full marathon

We completed the celebrations with an assembly to award the trophies, water bottles, certificates and half and full marathon medals. There were so many to give out!

Trophies were awarded to our 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place runners. Our worthy winners were:



## 1<sup>st</sup> Place

Jessica Blythe in 1F

Jessica ran 189.4km which is equivalent to 4 marathons. The only child in the whole school to complete 4. Outstanding!

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

Anna Turner in 2G

Anna ran 158.7km which is equivalent to 3 marathons. Amazing!

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Alice Kirk-Wilson in 1F

Alice ran 154.3km which is also equivalent to 3 marathons. Fantastic!

I'd also like to give a special mention to all of the children that completed more than a marathon:

<b><u>2 marathons</u></b>		
Nicole Strimber Varon	Jonas Micheli	Bethan Burr ridge
Sophie Robertson	Beatrix Devaney	Aashi Kaushik
Naomi Marshall	Benjamin Colson	Alexander Savage
Tom Smith	Jan Micheli	Holly Harris
Thea Sugars	Sam Penney	Ruhaan Mukul
Edward Brodie	Jasmyn Green	Oliver Panton
Penelope Cambridge	Noah Walker	Phoebe Stone
Ptolemy Harper	Alfie Claude Gerrard-Purse	Dhrumil Desai
	Tamsin Squires	
<b><u>3 marathons</u></b>		<b><u>4 marathons</u></b>
Anna Turner		Jessica Blythe
Alice Kirk-Wilson		
Zahra Keeping		
Harry Metcalfe		
Elsa Clegg		
Taran Middleton		
Benjamin Freeman		
Oria Zebedee-Bates		
Jack Robbins		
Jack Davison		
Florence Larkin		

There was also the chance to win a water bottle each for the class who had made the most improvement during the summer term. This award went to...

## 1F

Collectively they ran 2,600km over the year; not only was this the largest class total but the largest improvement during, completing 800 of those km during the summer term. Well done to all of the children in 1F.

And one final thank you goes out to our young leaders. All of Year 5 at some point during the year have given up a portion of their lunch times in order to oversee the marathon, hand out the bands and ensure children were running fairly and safely. Thank you to all of you for your hard work and dedication to make Brookhurst a more active and healthy school.

I am excited, proud and inspired by all of the children at Brookhurst. You are all super stars and an absolute credit to our school. Well done to all of you!

# Thank you BSA!

# Sponsored Kit

The BSA have very kindly offered to purchase a new sports kit for our teams to wear when entering competitions and representing the school. Thanks to their hard work fundraising and their generosity, we are able to purchase 24 complete kits comprising of a waterproof jacket, a sports polo shirt, shorts and socks, in sizes that will fit a team from lower KS2 and upper KS2. This is a wonderful gesture from the BSA and will make a huge difference to our presentation when attending competitions next year.

I'll update with pictures once the kits have arrived.

# Year 5 Cricket Final at Edgbaston



We couldn't be prouder of our Year 5 children after they finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place at Edgbaston yesterday. What a truly inspirational achievement.

After winning our regional competition, a team of 10 of our children from Year 5 attended the 'Chance to Shine' cricket festival at Edgbaston. It was fantastic for them to play with the other teams that were in the top 23 out of 140 schools who took part in the training and first round competitions. To make it to Edgbaston in that top 23 was an amazing acheivemnt on its own but to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 140 schools is outstanding. They were an exceptional representation for the school and were a supportive team celebrating together their individual achievements. I have no doubt that we will see these children on our TV screens sometime in the future.



Here are some comments from the children:

'Getting to the finals was fun' - Matthew

'It was really tense on the last over' - Thomas

'Thomas made a really good catch and the team played well' - Dan

Well done to Daniel Connell, Daisy Webb, Jake Parker, Adam Beynon, Matthew Johnson, Thomas Gray, Remy Newman, Jonny Mothersdale, Vicky Hames, and Maisie Cambridge.

### Final Thoughts...

This year will be my final as PE subject lead. It's time for me to move on to other subject areas. Mr Fullbrook will be taking over and I'll be there to help out too.

As another school year draws to a close, I am amazed at what we have achieved this year. A record-breaking year for sports in many ways. The continuation of the marathon and the awards the children won through it, the use of the Tennis/Squash club, the Cricket, Street Dance, Zumba and Tag Rugby coaching, the balance bikeability for our Foundation children, the amazing sports day and the inspiring visit from the Skateboarding company and GB athletes to name a few...

We have seen an incredible **40** competitions taking place, a record number covering all areas of sports from gymnastics to cricket, tennis to golf and dance to handball.

None of these events would be possible without the hard work of our dedicated team behind the scenes. I'd like to say a big thank you to:

Mrs Gosling, Mrs Lindsay and Mrs Moon in the office - They have worked tirelessly to help organise transport, consent forms and parental help so our children are given every sporting opportunity available.

Mrs Gorvett, Mrs Henderson, Mrs Clarke and Mrs Connell - Who have all given up their time to accompany our children on these events, stepped in on many last minute occasions, have helped to input marathon data and write newsletters and have been genuinely amazing in every way.

Miss Pillow - For attending the after school cricket competition after a long day on a school trip.

Andy Daniels - Who volunteered a day of his time to once again input our Sports Day scores and fill up the ballometer.

All those PARENTS who have helped attend an event with their child or just as an extra adult even though their child wasn't going. To all those parents who volunteered to help with tennis and squash sessions or the swimming rota. Your support is truly appreciated and we couldn't do it without you.

Finally, I would like to say thank you to the CHILDREN of Brookhurst who have once again shown the passion, spirit and sporting ability that our school has to offer. Children of all ages and abilities have won many medals and trophies, given their heart and soul to win and shown compassion and understanding to other team members alike. I am privileged to help provide these opportunities for such a fantastic group of children and hope that their Primary School years will stay with them as they grow into the future sports stars I know they all can be.

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