# Nuturing sporting talent; Unlocking the potential...

## September 2014

Our Year 6 children went to their residential at Robinwood. They experienced kayaking, zip wires and several other outdoor challenges. A great time was had by all.

The school has set up a Tae-Kwon-Do club in the morning for both Key Stages which has been well attended.

The Year 5 and 6 Rugby team did so well. They marched to the Semi Finals but narrowly lost out 5 - 4.

The Year 3 and 4 Rugby team went unbeaten all the way to the final! After a tense match it ended 2 - 2. The match went to sudden death and Farndon eventually ran out winners! **Rugby Champions!** 

Key stage 2 children have been taking part in a rugby club after school with Premier Sports and Key Stage 1 children have been doing multi-sports.

#### October 2014

We put 3 teams into the Cross Country races: Year 3 and 4 mixed, Year 5 and 6 girls and Year 5 and 6 boys. Amazingly, we finished first and second in Year 3 and 4 and won overall. In Year 5 and 6 we finished first and second and again won overall. Finally, in Year 5 an 6 boys we finished in fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth and our total points meant we won overall. **Cross Country Champions!** 

Year 6 pupils have been thoroughly enjoying their work on becoming proficient in riding their bicycles. All pupils have been bringing their bikes to school for "Bikeability". Let's hope they all pass!

The School Football team crashed out of the Chester Cup in dramatic fashion. After drawing 1 - 1, the game went to the dreaded penalties. It was great performance and we now can't wait for the league!

The Year 5 and 6 hockey team entered the Chester Schools tournament. They had been prepared by Mrs Higley and Premier Sports and played so well winning one game 3 - 0 and another 7 - 0. Sadly, we were defeated in the play off and didn't make the semis this time.

The Year 5 and 6 rugby team went to compete in the Chester tournament on Thursday. They played so well and the games were so incredibly tight but sadly we were on the wrong end of two 6 - 5 results. We won one of our matches but sadly didn't make it through to the next stages. This brings an end to the rugby season as a school and it was pleasing to see we have become far more competitive in the sport.

#### November 2014

Key Stage 2 children are enjoying an after school club of indoor athletics and Key Stage 1 pupils are being given the opportunity of learning gymnastics in the hall; let's hope we find the next Beth Tweddle or Louis Smith

Key Stage 1 children took part in a multi skills event against other local schools at the High School and had a wonderful time.

The Year 5 and 6 Basketball team took part in a tournament at the Heber High School. We took two teams and they both performed extremely well. Farndon B won 2 of their matches but sadly lost 3. Farndon A marched on to win the group with 4 wins and 1 defeat. They met Tattenhall in the final and after a tense few minutes, we scored the winning basket. A big thank you must go to the coach Mr McKie who did a wonderful job preparing both teams. **Champions of basketball!** 

The football team played a league match against Huntingdon Primary. We raced into a 4-1 lead with only 10 minutes to go. Sadly, Huntingdon scored some great goals and got back into the game at 4-3. Just before the final whistle, they managed to scramble in an equaliser to make it 4-4 and that is how it finished. A fantastic performance from both teams! A truly memorable game with great goals. Next up is Delamere.

## January 2015

The football team played their second league, hoping there was no hangover from the late comeback in the last game. Jack M was on top form and scored 5 goals and set Tommy up with a wonderful delivery from a corner. Final score Delamere 0 Farndon 6. Bring on Tattenhall.

20 children from years five and six took part in the sportshall (indoor) athletics competition at the Bishop Heber high school after school on Tuesday 27th January. There was a mixture of team events for sprint and relay as well as individual field events. The children were a credit to the school throughout the competition. Our school came 4th overall and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the competition.

Over 30 children have taken the opportunity to come to school early and learn the art of Judo. It is a regular club and they are really enjoying the experience.

#### February 2015

We sent two teams to the Handball tournament against other local schools. One of our teams played so well but didn't qualify out of their group. Our other team did so well and beat Malpas 4 -1 and Bickerton 3 - 2. They lost to Tushingham but still made the semi-final. In the semis, we defeated Tattenhall 3 - 1. In the final, we met Tushingham once again. This time it was much closer and ended 5 - 5. In golden goal Tushingham just edged it. **Runners Up.** 

The third football league match was against Tattenhall who had a very good side. It was a tense affair as both teams played some wonderful football. It was a tight first half, finishing 1 - 1. Tattenhall went into a 2 -1 lead. Farndon had to dig deep and turned things around. The game ending in a Farndon victory 3 - 2. 2 wins and 1 draw means we are flying high in the league. Watch this space!

Another football league match, this time against Acresfield. It was a dominant performance and the final score was Farndon 8 Acresfield 0. This puts us top of the league with 3 games to go. Christleton up next.

Farndon stay top of the league with a 6 - 3 victory against Christleton.

#### March 2015

Children have begun to take part in Fencing in a before school club. After school, the football clubs are very well attended. For the Infants, they took part in a Multi-skills club.

We sent 2 netball teams to tounament with other local schools. One of our teams did so well, winning 2 group games and so made it to the semi-final. Sadly, they lost to Tattenhall 5 - 0. Our other team also won 2 group games and met Tushingham in the semi. They won and marched on to the final where we met Tattenhall - again! After a tense game we lost a close match 2 -1. **Runners Up.** 

Football League match: We played away on the astro turf against JH Godwin. We started a little slowly and at half time we were 1 goal down. Shortly after the break, we were 2 - 0, but the team managed to keep their heads up. After a spirited effort, Archie and Jack brought us back into the game and we were level at 2 - 2. Jack in goal made several great saves; one was a last ditch slide in the corner. Sadly, their star player, an Everton academy player, broke through our defence and scored the winner. Final score: JH Gdowin 3 Farndon 2. Crunch match now against a very strong Newton team.

The Year 4 pupils went to the Broxton Dance Festival at the Heber. There were fantastic dances from primary schools across the area. Our pupils performed a high energy dance inspired by the aboriginal art they are studying in class. They did a wonderful performance and were all so confident. Well done to everyone in Miss Schofield's class.

It was the final league match of the season against Newton and a must win game. Newton is a large school and not conceded a goal in the league. We started well and went in at half time 2 goals up. In the second half Newton came back to draw level. Minutes before the end Jack scored a long range effort! A famous win looked on the cards but in extra time Newton equalised from corner. Final score 3 - 3. The team narrowly finish 3<sup>rd</sup> behind Newton and JH Godwin and so don't make the Super 8s finals.

#### **April 2015**

Many children are taking part in the after school clubs of Kwik Cricket and Mini athletics.

It was time to defend our crown from last year in the football. In the group stage we won 3 and drew 1 and kept 4 clean sheets. In the semi-final, we faced Tilston and needed the dreaded penalties to decide the result. We met Tattenhall in the final. It was a tense match, but Jack scored a winner with 1 minute to go! **CHAMPIONS!!** 

The Year 3 and 4 children took part in a hockey tournament against other schools in Chester. Both teams played so well and the pressure was on as we came runner up last year. Farndon A won 2 and drew 1 in their group and met Waverton in the semi-finals. It was a tense 0 - 0 but we squeezed through on penalties. It was a tense final with Delamere, which ended 1 - 1. In extra time, we score 2 and so it ended 3 - 1. **CHAMPIONS!!** 

# June 2015

The Year 6 rounders team went to the Heber to defend their crown in the Broxton group rounders tournament. The team played so well and won all of their 4 games to top the group and come back with the trophy. **CHAMPIONS!** 

With the Ashes round the corner, it was the turn of the Yr 3 and 4 cricket team. They played in a Diamond Cricket tournament with other schools in our cluster. They played incredibly well and made it all the way to the final. They met Malpas in the final and were pipped at the post. **RUNNERS UP!** 

Year 3 and 4 played 2 football matches against St Oswalds. Farndon Golds edged a close match winning 2 - 1. Farndon Whites raced into an early lead and kept a clean sheet with a 3 -1 win. Another great performance and Farndon victory.

At last we managed to put on Infants Sports Day. It was a terrific day, with all children given the chance to take part in every race and field events. It was a close and tense finish, but Beech won by 2 points with 126. Well done to everyone in Beech.

Our year 3/4 children played in a diamond cricket tournament, which took place in the 23rd June, at Malpas cricket club. The children were fantastic and we reached the final, loosing narrowly, by just 11 runs to Malpas. It was a lovely afternoon & all the children all played their part in a great team effort. **Runners Up** 

### **July 2015**

The Year 5 and 6 football team took part in the Chester World Cup. The top 40 teams were invited to take part in a football festival. We won our group with 4 wins and no goals conceded! In the Quarter Finals, we beat Chester Blue Coats 1 - 0. Then, in a tense Semi-final we beat Guilden Sutton 1 - 0. We made it to the final! We met the favourites Upton in the final. We had already beaten them 2 - 0 in the group stage but they were the League and Cup winners this season. Sadly, they scored early and the game finished 1 - 0. The children's attitude was fantastic and we are all so proud with what they achieved this season. **Runners Up**