Sporting Achievements and commentary 2015 – 16

September:

The football season kicked off in style with a festival of football against Tarvin Primary. There were 3 matches with different age ranges. The Year 3 and 4 team, led by Henry, played so well and were in control for most of the game and it finished 1 - 1. Then, the Year 2 team took to the field. It was a great game with a fine 3 - 1 victory. Finally, the Year 5 and 6 team played a warm up before the start of the season and it started well as we were 1 - 0 at half time. The second half was action packed with Glen scoring on his debut, but Tarvin played some great football to come from behind and win 3 - 2. A big thank you to Mr Erraji for helping to coach the team.

The Year 5 and 6 rugby team competed in the Broxton tournament. It is quite early in the year and because of the Year 6 residential, preparations were limited. However, they gave it their all and the matches were close. We won our first game 4 - 1 against Tushingham. However, we then lost to the two Malpas teams. A tight draw with Clutton 3 - 3 meant we didn't get out of the group this time. Pressure is now on the Year 3 and 4 team to retain their trophy from last year. Juliet from Year 5 was player of the tournament.

The Year 3 and 4 rugby tournament took place the week after the upper juniors. As defending champions, the pressure was on! We raced through group stage with 3 wins our of 3. We met Shocklach in the semi final and triumphed with a 4 -1 win. We met Tattenhall (A) in the final but sadly on this occasion we lost 5 - 4. **Runners Up**

A double header league fixture against Kelsall. The Year 5 and 6 team started well with 1 -1 at half time, Tired legs in the second half meant we were up against it and the game ended 5 - 1. The Year 3 and 4 team had a battle on their hands; it was 2 -2 at half time. But Travis stole the show with a commanding performance and the game ended with a 4 -2 win.

October

Mr Bond took his cross country team to represent the school in the Broxton schools competition. As champions last year, we were hoping to do well. The Infants did incredibly well finishing first in both. The Year 3 and 4 children matched the infants, both finishing first. The year 5 and 6 girls did well to finish 3rd and the Year 5 and 6 boys achieved yet another first. Overall for the team a gold medal finish. Well done to the whole team and to Mr Bond; that's 3 years in a row! **Champions** Mr Bond selected a hockey team from Year 6. They took part in the Deeside Ramblers tournament. To help prepare for the games, Mr Bond organised extra training sessions with Premier Sports and a teacher from the High School. On this occasion it wasn't quite enough. The first match against Tattenhall was tight, losing to an own goal. Then, we were well beaten by Bunbury. However, the team picked themselves up with a win against Tarvin. The children gave it their all, but this time only could finish 3rd in the group. Well done everyone.

Second league match of the season was against Acresfield. It was initially quite tight, but we eventually ran out 4 - 0 winners. Two goals each from Tom in Year 5 and James in Year 6. Man of the match was Tom for his great touches and driving runs. First win of the season and a good confidence boost ready for the cup match against St Clares.

Cup match with St Clares: a tense affair with chances at both ends, but early in the second half Tom nicked a winner! 1 - 0 winners. We look forward to seeing who we get next in the cup.

November

Mr Bond took a group of Year 1 and Year 2 children to a Multi-Skills event in the Heber High School. They tried so hard and had a wonderful afternoon. Miss Schofield and Mrs Pimparel's throats are still hoarse from all the shouting for support.

Our Year 5 and 6 athletics team went to the Heber to perform against all the local schools. They did really well and there were some stand out performances. We finished a creditable 3rd. Well done to everyone involved.

Sadly, the football tournament at the Kings High School was cancelled, so instead we arranged a friendly with Tarvin. In the first match, two crucial goals from Todd gave us a 3 - 2 victory. However, after starting well in the next two games, we slumped to 3 - 0 and 3 - 1 defeats. Man of the match had to go to our goalkeeper Jack Rowley - top class performance.

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The Year 3 and 4 athletics team went to the Heber High school to compete with other schools in the Broxton area. The children were fantastic and took part in field and track events. Each competition earned points for the team. We came out as overall winners and won by a whopping 20 points! Well done Mr Bond. **Athletic champions!**

January

Year 5 and 6 football team played a second round cup match against Dee Point. It was a close first half and finished 1 - 1. However, fitness told in the end and we ran out of steam in the second half; 3 - 1 the final result.

It has been a busy week for the Year 3 and 4 football team. First match of the week was against Dee Point. It was a competitive first half but Farndon edged it 3 - 1. Both teams played well and Farndon made their dominance in possession count and ran out 5 - 2 winners.

We have been practising hard for the basketball tournament. We are defending champions so the pressure is on. Mr Mckie, who used to play basketball, has been holding coaching sessions in the mornings. Chester phoenix players led a workshop on healthy lifestyles. They will then lead training sessions after school.

Judo sessions have begun in the mornings. Premier Sports are working with our Infant pupils on Jolly Olly Football and Gymnastics with our Junior children.

The Year 5 and 6 basketball team tried to defend their title from last year. Team 2 drew 2 matches and lost 2 so didn't make the semi-finals. Team 1 won all 4 of their matches and did not even concede. We met Tushingham in the semi-finals and Todd and Harry helped us to a 2 - 0 win. We met Bickerton in the final and after several missed chances Harry E scored a classic. A 1 - 0 victory. Trophy retained and still in our cabinet. **Champions**

Football league match with Christleton. Travis in Year 4 made his debut for the Upper Junior team. 2 - 0 down at half time and he came off the bench to score twice to put us 3 - 2 up. Christleton never gave up and scored with the last kick of the game! 3 - 3 the final result. The Year 3 and 4 played Oldfield in the league. It was a tense game but Farndon battled to a well earned 3 - 2 win. That's 3 wins out of 3 to put us top of the league.

February

We sent two Year 5 and 6 teams to the handball tournament against all the Broxton schools. Both of our teams did so well in the group stages. Farndon A won all four of their matches. Farndon B won 1 - 0 against Tattenhall, 1 - 0 against Tilston and 2 - 0 agaisnt Clutton. It was enough for both of our teams to make the semi-finals. Farndon B were edged out 1 - 0 by Malpas. Farndon A made the final. After a tense game, Farndon won 2 - 0 thanks to two goals from Tom. **Champions!**

Year 3 and 4 football match against Delamere. After going 1 goal down, the team responded well and the game finished with a 5 - 1 victory. That is 4 wins out of 4 and still top of the league.

This month the children have begun their fencing club in the mornings. Let's hope we find a future star of the Olympics. Premiers Sports are doing football and mutli-skills this half term.

Our Year 3 and 4 pupils tried to emulate the success of our upper juniors in the handball. They faced some stiff opposition in the tournament against other local schools which was held at the Heber High School. They played extremely well winning 2 matches and drawing 2 matches. Finished unbeaten and second place after a tense draw with Clutton at the end. **Runners Up**

Year 2 pupils had a great day visiting the Liverpool Training Academy. They met the mascot and even saw the European Cup! We played 4 matches: drew 2 matches and lost 2. James scored the goals in a man of the match performance.

March

The basketball team went to take part in the Hoops for Health tournament which took place on the Chester Phoenix court. Having won 2 out of their 3 matches, they made the final, which took place at half time in front of over 500 people! It was a close match against Overleigh, but this time we lost in the final 6 - 0; **Runners Up**

Our Year 2 football team took part in the Mini Kickers tournament. We won 1, drew 1 and lost 2. They all played so well and really enjoyed the afternoon, finishing third in the group.

Our Year 5 and 6 footballers have had a busy few days completing their fixtures in the league. They came up against an impressive St Werburghs side and lost 6 - 1; man of the match for our team was our goalkeeper Jack from Year 6. He was inspired and helped to keep us in the game. Next up was Overleigh Primary. Having gone 2 - 0 up, we were disappointed to only draw 2 - 2. Man of the match was Harry E; a true captain's performance. Final game was Malpas. We played some good football, but just didn't take our chances; A 3 - 0 loss. In the league, 1 win, 2 draws and 2 losses.

We went 2 netball teams to the Broxton tournament. Both teams played extremely well. One of our teams made it to the semi-finals. Once again, Tattenhall beat us in a narrow win. A big thank you to Miss Brown and Mrs Palgrave Jones for doing such a good job coaching the team.

April

We went two Year 3 and 4 football teams to a Heber tournament. One of our teams drew one game but then narrowly lost their next 3, but every game was so close! Our other team beat Bickerton 2 - 0. This was then followed by a tight 1 -1 draw with Tattenhall. The final group game was a 5 - 0 win. In

the semi-final we had a hard fought win against Malpas 1 - 0. It was Tattenhall in the final. Alex in goal was in inspired form, but sadly it was runners up this time with a 1 - 0 defeat. **Runners Up**

It's the hockey season. Sadly, the Broxton tournament was cancelled because of bad weather. However, the weather was gorgeous for the Deeside Ramblers hockey tournament (1 we have won in the past!). Sadly, it was a Year 4 tournament and our Year 4 class were on away on a residential. But the Year 3 pupils stepped up to the plate and went along to compete. They did so well with 2 wins, 1 draw and 1 defeat. In the final game against Waverton, a win would have put us into the final - but they just fell short and lost. However, it was a terrific effort considering they were the youngest team there. Well done everyone and a big thank you to Miss Brown and Mrs Green for coaching them. The Year 4 children went on their residential to Bala. They had a great time following adventure trails, making dens, camp fires and swimming.

We took two teams from Year 2 to take part in the football tournament against the other Broxton schools. One of our teams did really well and made it to the semi-finals. Sadly, they were narrowly beaten by Tattenhall, the eventual winners, on this occasion. The children were fantastic and a credit to the school.

Our Year 3 and 4 football team had a pressure game against Saughall who were joint top of the league with us. It was a real battle and a tight game, but thanks to a Cameron goal we edged it 1 - 0. Top of the league with just a game to go.

Infant Sports day was a huge success. There were track and field events for all the children to participate in. A win earnt their house 3 points, second 2 points and third 1 point. It was so close with only a few points in it - however, Beech won it this year with a score of 124 points. Well done to everyone to Beech.

June

The Year 5 and 6 football team were in action defending their crown in the Broxton Cup. This year it was a league format. The team had some mixed fortunes but played well. We enjoyed wins against Malpas 1, Tilston and Bickerton and drew against Malpas 2. Shcoklach played well against us, scoring an early penalty, and beat us 2 -1. We also lost to Tattenhall 2 - 0 who went on to win the competition, winning all their games. We finished 3rd, with Tom, Cameron, Todd and James all chipping in with goals. James was our man of the match, showing some silky skills and quick feet. **Third** The Year 5 and 6 Rounders team went to the Broxton tournament ready to defend their crown. Champions for the last 2 years and yet to lose a game. Mrs Pimperal, Mr Bond and Mrs Higley have worked hard to prepare the team. With the pressure on, the team played 6 and won 6! Still undefeated and retained the trophy. **Champions**

The Year 3 and 4 cricket team took part in the Heber Diamond Cricket Tournament. It was a league format and they did so well. We were so close but finished second to Tattenhall. **Runners Up.** We had a festival of football with St Oswalds. Our Year 6 team, led by Sienna Lewis, romped to a 4 - 1 victory. Harry E scored a hat trick with James B chipping in with one goal. Our development Year 5 team had a cracking match. It was finally balanced at 1 -1, but St Oswalds got a penalty. However, Tom scored a screamer to make it 2 - 2.

At the festival of football, the main attraction was the Year 3 and 4 Champions League final. It was a tense first half and we went 1 - 0 down. Daniel eased the tension with an equalizer before the break. Alex put us in the lead with a 20 yard free kick. There was time before the end for Daniel to secure victory: 3 - 1. **Champions**