



The children have been busy this term trying different sports, improving their skills and competing against each other in their PE lessons and clubs as well as representing Holy Cross in matches and galas against other local schools. It is lovely to see them applying those core values of self belief, teamwork, respect, passion, determination and honesty that we talked about last term - but most importantly it is great to see them enjoying being active and having fun together, keep up all your fabulous efforts!



Multi Skills Festival

At the end of January, some of our KS1 children attended Bonus Pastor for an inter-school multi skills event. The children tried out a variety of different activities focused on developing skills of balance, speed, ball to eye co-ordination and agility but the main focus was on having fun. "I liked jumping, we had to jump high." *Tiwa*, "I liked passing the ball over and under because it was fun." *Gracie*. Well done Chloe, Faith, Tobe and Ruairi in Year One and Tiwa, Dylan A, Nicolas, Dillon U and Gracie in Year Two all of who represented themselves and the school really well.



Football Festival

Years 3 and 4 were invited to a football festival at Bonus Pastor playing fields. Four schools entered teams on a very wet and windy afternoon. All the games were competitive and played in a great spirit with fantastic goals, great goalkeeping and all round play. Well done Ashton, Owen, Ike, Bosse, Ailish, Paolo, Marcus, Ada, Sibissan, and Mikel who worked together so well as a team! Thanks also to all their supporters who came to cheer and encourage them. "It was really fun because we all got a chance.

We may not have won all the matches but the other teams were fair and it was fun, everyone was cheering for us!"
Paolo



Cricket Coaching

Year 4 have had coaching from Platform Cricket, a project set up by England cricketer Daniel Bell-Drummond to develop cricket in Lewisham as this is where he grew up. The children really enjoyed it and the coaches were particularly complimentary about their behaviour – well done Year 4 for being such a credit to Holy Cross! "Our teachers were Jake and Monty, they taught us very well. You use lots of focus and energy. We enjoyed our lessons and are looking forward to the competition in the summer." *Tania and Emmanuelle*. Year 4 will be representing Holy Cross at a cricket festival next term, we wish them luck and look forward to hearing how they get on.



Some children performed particularly well and have been invited to participate in an additional community session - congratulations to Ada, Lilian, Marcus, Nate, Paolo, Claire, Sibissan and Spencer.



"Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it."

Lou Holtz

Lewisham Primary Schools Swimming Gala

Sixteen of our Year 5 and 6 children took part in the Lewisham Primary Schools Swimming Gala. They competed in timed races and relays, swimming their best strokes against other children in the borough. "It was fun and a really good experience. I did front crawl and backstroke. My favourite races were the relays because we won both of them." *Joshua*. The competition was very tough and we are still awaiting the results but thank you and well done to Elisha, Kieran, Nikola, Joshua, Natalie, Nicole, Izabella, Sophia and Angela in Year 5 and Hugo, Elisa, Julia, Nikolay, Anjelica, Mirella, Filip in Year 6 for their great efforts!



Netball Club

Netball club is held after school on Tuesdays. "We like it, we have a mini warm up game which is fun. We learn to shoot and not to run with the ball, you're not allowed to do that in netball. We play matches against each other." *Jasmine* "I like to play centre because you get to move around, it's fun and I'm tall so I can get the ball." *Deborah* "I like to play Goal Shooter because I'm good at shooting so I can score for my team." *Christine*



Achievements Outside School



Caroline in Year 3 took 2nd place in her first gymnastics competition.



Amber in Year 6 won medals for swimming including a 1st and 2nd place.



Izabella in Year 5 took part in a swimming gala, winning her heats in 50m butterfly and backstroke and winning a medal in 100m breaststroke!

George, Christopher and Hugo in Year 6 won their Cup final playing for Lewisham Tigers.



Faye in Year 5 won a medal for her reel at the McGahan Lee Irish Dancing Feis.

Daniel in Year 5 recently won a medal for the number of goals he scored at football.



Miss Baptiste, Miss Smith, Mrs Stoneham and Mrs Mole ran The Big Half, a half marathon (13.1 miles) from Tower Hill to The Cutty Sark.

Inter House Sports Competition

During the Spring term the children have enjoyed amongst other things: cricket, dance, new age curling, gymnastics and tag rugby.

Well done to everyone in St Bernadette who have won the Inter-House Competition this term!

