



Spotlight on... PE

In this edition we will be taking a closer look at the work and activities currently being undertaken by the PE Students

Quad Kids Athletics Festival

On Tuesday 9th June we took 14 Year 9 students who had been selected by the PE department to St Ives Outdoor track to represent Ernulf Academy as Sports Leaders. Their role was to lead a festival for emerging primary schools who had limited experience of athletics and were not ready to compete in the established team event, but who still wanted to experience some athletic activities and get a taster of what the main event was all about. Over 330 children took part in the whole Quad Kids Event, 80 of which took part in the athletics festival.

They developed leadership skills of communication, organisation, co-operation, responsibility as well as problem solving and teamwork skills. The students demonstrated resilience on the day due to unkind weather, but no-one ever moaned.

A primary school teacher on the day said: "It's been a fantastic afternoon of athletics. The festival was wonderful and the young leaders were superb with our pupils; clear with their instructions and very encouraging"

One of the sports leaders said: "I enjoyed today because I have never led young children before. I have developed leadership skills and it was fun to have a responsibility and help other children"

The sports leaders were outstanding and a real credit to Ernulf Academy.



SNLP & St Neots Town FC Join Forces



ST. NEOTS TOWN F.C.
LEARNING & SPORTS ACADEMY

The SNLP are delighted to announce a new partnership with St Neots Town FC. The new football programme within our post-16 provision will provide students with the opportunity to undertake a high quality programme of academic study, alongside the opportunity to further develop their involvement within football through regular coaching and access to competitive football.

The football programme will provide students with a number of academic options, including both Level 2 and Level 3 BTEC Sport qualifications. Alternatively, students may be studying a range of A level or other subjects at either Ernulf or Longsands, but can still access the football training and fixtures as part of the scheme. Students within the football programme will also be provided with the opportunity to develop a range of leadership skills, and other football related qualifications and experiences.

For more information about the post-16 football programme, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Bond (email – enquiries@ernulf.cambs.sch.uk, or telephone 01480 374748).

St Neots Schools Forum Working Together

10th Annual Art Exhibition

Sat 20th June to Sat 4th July 2015

Barclays Bank, Barretts, Britains, Cineworld, Priory Centre, St Neots Library, St Neots Museum and the Town Council will be hosting the exhibition

Join the art trail for your chance to *win tickets to Cineworld* and earn a one hour credit for the *Children's University* at the same time. Entry form and competition details available at the library display from 20th June



District Athletics Championships

Huntingdonshire Schools Athletics Championships – Year 9

On Thursday 11th June 2015 a group of 19 year 9 students represented Ernulf Academy at the district athletics championships, held at the St Ivo Athletics track. It was a glorious sunny day in which to compete in athletics, and there were some outstanding performances across the different disciplines.

Special mention must again go to Hannah Baumert and Lewis Smith. Hot on the heels of the county athletics event the week before, where both performed excellently, Hannah and Lewis emerged victorious in their chosen events in these championships. Lewis was crowned district champion in both the 100m and 200m, securing times of 11.91 and 24.58 seconds respectively. Hannah successfully out-jumped her opponents in the high jump, securing a best height of 1.45 metres to also be named district champion.

Other performances of note on the day included Gvidas Tranavicius in the shot put. Going in to the very last throw of the event, Gvidas was leading and on the verge of winning the championship. However, on the final throw another competitor just beat him to the title, although second place with 9.87 metres was a fantastic achievement for Gvidas. Well done!

County Athletics Championships

Cambridgeshire Schools Athletics Championships

On Saturday 6th June 2015 the Cambridgeshire Schools Athletic Association held their county track and field championships at the Cambridge University athletics track. Ernulf Academy was represented at the championships by three students, Iona Newbegin (year 7), Hannah Baumert, and Lewis Smith (both year 9), and all three students performed to an outstanding level within their chosen events.

Hannah Baumert was entered into the junior girls' high jump competition, and posted a best jump of 1.45 metres. This jump enabled Hannah to equal the height cleared by the eventual winner of the competition, although unfortunately losing out due to the number of attempts. Nevertheless, this was an excellent performance from Hannah and due reward for all of the athletics training she has been taking part in this year.

Next up was Lewis Smith who competed in the junior boys 300m race. This was an incredibly competitive race, with the time between first and second place being only 0.4 seconds. However, I am delighted to report that Lewis posted a time of 40.6 seconds to become Cambridgeshire schools champion in this event. A fantastic achievement for Lewis, and again very much deserved for the commitment he has shown to his athletics.

Perhaps though the performer of the day was Iona Newbegin, who competed in both the under 13 girls 100m and 200m races. In the 100m race Iona clocked an incredible time of 13.2 seconds, and this was enough for her to be crowned Cambridgeshire schools champion for the 100m. Not content with this, Iona also won the 200m title with a fantastic time of 27.6 seconds. Therefore, Iona is now a double county sprint champion!

Overall, all three performers excelled in the championships, and deserve huge congratulations on their achievements.



Huntingdonshire Schools Athletics Championships – Year 7 & 8

On Thursday 18th June 2015 a group of 32 year 7 and 8 students represented Ernulf Academy at the district athletics championships, held at the St Ivo Athletics track.

This was a fantastic opportunity for many of our athletes to experience higher level competitive athletics against other schools within our district. All students competed extremely well in their chosen events, and were a credit to the school. Some outstanding results were achieved at this event, and in particular we now have two more district champions!

Gareth Macey in year 7 won the 200m race. In addition, Iona Newbegin added the 100m and 200m district titles to her county titles won recently. Finally, a special mention for the Year 7 girls' team, who managed to finish the overall event in 4th place - finishing ahead of several much larger schools.

Well done to everyone who took part!



Sainsbury's School Games Archery Competition

On Monday 15th June 2015 Ernulf Academy attended the Sainsbury's School Games Level 2 Archery competition held at Grafham Water. For many of the students attending, this was their first experience of Archery as a sport. The two teams from Ernulf performed excellently on the day, and really enjoyed the competition.



The fantastic news from the competition is that one of our teams has now qualified for the Level 3 County School Games Summer Festival which will be held at St Ives Outdoor Complex on Thursday 25th June 2015. At this event, the team will represent the Huntingdonshire School Sports Partnership in the Archery competition. This is a fantastic achievement, and we wish our team every success. Well done to both teams!

Year 10 District Handball Tournament – 22nd April 2015

On Wednesday 22nd April 2015 two teams of year 10 students from Ernulf Academy attended the district handball tournament at Hinchingsbrooke School. This tournament is a relatively new addition to the district fixture list, and is a great opportunity for students to try their hand at an exciting new and highly competitive sport.

The year 10 students have really enjoyed handball as part of their PE lessons this year, and as such we had two extremely excited teams ready to play. Hopes were high, and the tension was building in the lead up to the start of the first game for both teams.

Throughout the tournament both teams worked extremely hard, and played the games in a fantastic spirit. They upheld the key values of sport, through their teamwork, commitment, work rate and sportsmanship throughout the duration of the tournament.

At the completion of the tournament, the two Ernulf teams finished in 8th and 5th place in the table – a very respectable effort. However, the game of handball was the true winner from this fantastic tournament. Well done to all of the players who took part.



Year 7 Rounders Tournament - Wednesday 10th June 2015

On Wednesday the year 7 girls took a trip to Ivo outdoor centre to compete in the district Rounders tournament. Due to prior poor weather conditions, the girls had experienced few opportunities to compete in friendly games against other rival schools.

At the tournament the girls were a credit to the school and themselves. Despite a few losses they were able to work on tactics and strategies to improve. After these losses the girls went on to win against St Peters. It was fantastic to see real team spirit and encouragement from all of the students. Above all, the whole group had fun (especially when annoying Mr Magan on the bus with "Frozen" songs!) and gained a great sense of achievement from the experience!

A big well done to the whole team!

Squad List:

Katie WILLISON

Lauren BEST

Iona NEWBEGIN

Annabel BURDEN

Charlotte WHITE

Angel DUNNETT

Libby JONES

Abigail WEST

Tilly HARRISON

Amelia DUNNETT

Hannah WILKINSON

Aimee COLQUHOUN



KS3 Breakfast Futsal @ Ernulf

The PE department have launched a trial scheme to get students involved in sport BEFORE school! The aim of the trial is to ascertain the levels of interest in 'Breakfast Sports Clubs', and if successful the PE department will provide a range of further opportunities throughout the academic year.

The first trial in this scheme is devoted to Futsal, and the sessions will take place on Thursday mornings starting at 8am. For those who have not heard of Futsal, the FA state that:

"Futsal is an exciting, fast-paced small sided football game" (FA.com)

The Futsal breakfast is open to all students within KS3, and the doors to the sports hall open at 8am. Please make sure you arrive early to guarantee your place on one of the teams!



Anne Frank Exhibition

Eleven students from Ernulf joined eleven students from Longsands to become guides for a 'Take a Stand' exhibition. The exhibition included people who have taken a stand, for example, Ghandi, Nelson Mandela and Rosa Parks to encourage others to make a difference and take a stand.

Many students from local primary schools and members of the public were guided round by our wonderful guides.

On Wednesday evening there were also talks from Gillian Walnes and Jonathan Salt on 'Moral Courage'.

The students were a credit to themselves and their school.





Ernulf Academy has a 'Sister Act' and Twinkle Toes!

In June of this year Tess Hutchinson (Yr8) student auditioned for the English Youth Ballet and was successful in being selected to go on tour in October 2015, with the production of "Snow White". Congratulations to Tessa and we wish her all the very best with her national stage debut.

Sister Act; Lois Hutchinson (Yr10) and Tessa Hutchinson (Yr8) have been busy since January writing, planning and now rehearsing their forthcoming summer production of 'The Journal of Bob Anderson'. A very talented family indeed! Loosely set against Disney's acclaimed 'Frozen', we find villains seeking revenge and prince and princesses on a noble quest to break magic spells! Both students also successfully directed the abridged Panto before Christmas 2014, that culminated in a Learning Partnership Production being staged at Ernulf Academy and Longsands Academy respectively and this too was well received and festive! The performance will be on Wednesday 15 July at 7pm in D2. There is no charge for tickets, but please do contact the Academy to reserve limited seating.

Primary Science Challenge

On Wednesday 10 June, ten primary schools came to the Science department at the Academy to take part in our annual Primary Science Challenge.

The Year 5 and 6 students completed various activities including; making a microbe, building the tallest tower, completing a Space quiz and testing for metal ions using the flame test. The students were really enthusiastic and fully engaged in the activities; with a healthy competition between the schools. But there could only be one winner and this year it is... Little Paxton!

A huge thank you to all the staff and students that made the morning a great success; especially Miss Mines for organising the day, the Science technicians for the preparation and all their help ensuring the day ran smoothly. A special thank you to the student helpers - Cherise Robertson, Jasmine Hurley, Lisa Kreckular, Rosanne Gentle, Tansy Jones, Michael Goodridge, Jess Burt, George Elsey, Matthew Robson, Jack Collins and Morgan Cahalane, who, as we have come to expect, were a credit to the Academy.

Dates for Diary:



- Year 12 University of Birmingham Open Day - 26 June
- KS2/3 Transition Day – 30 June and 1 July
- Year 11 Leavers' Ceremony – 3 July

Clubs:

Breakfast Club: From 8.00am in the canteen free breakfast for all, get a good start to the day

Homework Club: Monday to Thursday after school 3.10 until 4.30pm in the Library

Chess Club: Every Monday 3.10 until 4.30pm in the Library

Science Club: Every Monday from 3.15 until 3.45pm in S2. Please ask Science for details

