

November Newsletter 2018

Girls Netball League v St Wilfs 9 Nov, v Abbey Lane at St Wilfs 16 Nov

7 girls represented Dobcroft in both of these matches. We won our games 9-0 and 7-0 which is a great achievement and gives the girls confidence going forward to the next league match, and a tournament at Sheffield Girls after Christmas.

Y6 Indoor Athletics at Silverdale 13 November

There were just 2 other schools at this first round of the athletics. Ecclesall fielded a very strong team and can count themselves unlucky to come up against us! Everyone really had the adrenaline pumping with all new personal bests in the field events (speed bounce, standing long jump, standing ball push, sitting overhead throw and bean bag target throw) and excellent sprinting in the track events. We came out on top and look forward to the next round at EIS.

Y5 and 6 Netball v Sheffield Girls 14 November

We took 2 teams from each age group which is our largest contingent so far for a netball tournament. It was a baptism of fire for the Y5's, with it being their first tournament and positions not being set yet, they showed great flexibility and resilience. It was a very good learning experience so that we know what skills to work on. Each team played twice with the blues losing (narrowly) both and the greens lost one and drew one. The Y6 teams played one game each drawing and losing. For most of the green team this was their first competitive experience, so very well done.

Y6 Boys Football v St Wilfrids 15 November

This was what they call a 'hard day at the office' for the boys but I am very proud of the way they continued to play and try their best throughout. As I said to them later on, there is no shame in losing to a good team and St Wilfrids put out 2 very good teams. Onwards and upwards boys! For some, it was their first outing in a competitive inter schools match, and I look forward to seeing them in a Dobcroft shirt later in the season.

Y4 Girls Netball v Sheffield Girls 19 November

Many thanks to Mrs Sarah Wilson, who has been coaching the girls in Y3, and now Y4. This was their first experience playing against another school and what a great afternoon they had! They played 4 quarters/games and won overall 15-1. Well done everyone!

Y5 and 6 Boys and Girls Football v Netheredge 23 November at UMix

5 teams - 3 boys and 2 girls - played against Netheredge. Special mentions to our 4 Captains of the Day: Laila B, Adam H, Toby J and William F, also to Sophie S who played in goal during one match as we were short of 'keepers that day. The girls played 2 matches losing both 0-1, which was very much against the run of play so they definitely shouldn't be disheartened. As these were all friendlies I'm not sure of all the boys results and any games we did lose were only by one goal, but I do know that Will's 'City' team drew both of theirs, and he had to make a number of very fine saves. Most of our children were playing against another school for the first time. It's great to see so many children now getting involved in lunchtime clubs and putting themselves up for school teams. Well done. Thank you to Mr White and Mr Wright for coming and helping.

Y5 and 6 Girls League Football Tournament 27 November at Tapton School

What a horrible evening weather wise - the worst of the week by far - but our 2 teams, and the 2 teams from Lowedges and Westbourne, were undeterred! I truly expected no-shows but each school had all their players - remarkable. Thank you to Mrs Wilson again, who works at Tapton and enabled us to use their facilities, and to Tapton Sports Leaders who refereed the games. It was a tale of 2 halves with Stripes unfortunately losing their matches, each game by a single goal, and Blues winning all their matches without conceding any goals. This means that Dobcroft win the tournament and we hope they get a further tournament later in the year against all the winners of the other leagues.

Cross Country written by Emily M and Sophia P

So far in cross-country we have done quite well in all of the races. The year three girls/boys have done really well to get lots of runners out this year. As well as that, the runners from last year have had a strong start and are gaining a lot of points for our school, so we can win the league. In our first race of the season we managed to gain three 1st places. And our Y3/4 boys and girls are dominating the races by coming 1st or 2nd in all of the races so far.

Thank you girls, for keeping us up to date.

U11 Sheffield Boys Football

Some of you may be aware that two of our Y6 boys - James M and Oliver O - play for this team. I went to watch on Saturday 24 November to see them beat Leeds B by 5-3. James was also part of the team that came 2nd in Yorkshire, becoming South Yorkshire Champions

at a 7 a side tournament the weekend before. Well done boys, I hope to catch up a bit more in the weeks to come.

Golf

Y4 and 5 recently had a chance to play indoor golf, with some great putting, chipping and fun had by all! Well done Audrey R for her bullseye!

Upcoming Dates for your Diary:

- 4 December 2nd round Indoor Athletics at EIS 1pm start
- 5 December Y6 boys league v Netheredge at UMix 4-5pm
- 6 December Y6 girls netball league v Portercroft at home 3.45pm start
- 12 December Y5 and 6 boys and girls Aquafest 10am - 12noon
- We will also finish off the Y5/6 Girls Inter House Football next week and the Y6 boys will play their Inter House competition in the last week of term.

