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## WE GOT OUR DANCING SHOES ON AGAIN!!!!

Following a 2 year absence it was wonderful to be able to stage the WBS primary dance festival in front of a live audience once again on 15th and 16th February 2022.

Following many weeks of rehearsals over 120 primary children from all 8 primary schools joined

70 students from WBS to put on two evening performances of 'A Night at the Musicals'. Dancers from reception to yr13 put on two spectacular shows in front of an appreciative and enthusiastic sell out audience of parents, relatives and friends. 4 primary schools performed each evening to ensure all the parents could come and watch. Each school selected a song from a musical of their choice to dance to and the WBS dances were choreographed to songs from the Greatest Showman.



Special mention and thanks must go to former WBS student Molly Southgate who not only produced the show but also choreographed 4 of the primary dances as well as choreographing and performing in 3 of the senior school dances. She has been a great role model and inspiration to all the dancers.

Congratulations to all our primary performers (and many thanks to their teachers who kept them calm back stage for 2 hours).

Christ Church reception class and their teacher Mrs Martin also deserve praise for remembering their 'Bugsy Malone Mash up' which was the longest performance at 5 mins.

All the primary dancers overcame their nerves and enjoyed the evenings and it allowed the children to experience what it is like to perform in a real theatre in front of 200 people. I'm sure it will inspire some to go on to become dancers in the future.

Well done to everyone involved and let's look forward to next years dance festival.

# Primary Teaching

**Much Wenlock** This half term at Much Wenlock Miss Dillon has been working with years 5 / 6 in assisting the schools dance troop in readiness for the performance at William Brookes at the end of the half term – we have been learning a choreographed routine thanks to Molly Southgate to “Move your feet” by the Trolls film – the dancers have worked very hard and performed flawlessly to some of the school. Meanwhile the other pupils have been learning some gymnastics skills ranging from rolls, handstands, group balances and flight, which they all particularly enjoyed and progressed very well, some even doing through vaults as well as showing lovely shape and control in the air! Well done and GOOD LUCK DANCERS!

**John Wilkinson** This half term Mr Jew has been teaching Y3 Tag Rugby, Y4 and 5 Dodgeball and Y6 Handball. Miss Beamond has been teaching Y3, 4 and 6 hockey and Y5 gymnastics. All the Y5 class that were taught Tag Rugby by Mr Jew last half-term will also have an opportunity to take part in the TSP Tag Rugby tournament at BRFC coming up shortly. The Bronze Ambassadors have also been delivering a Boccia club this half-term which will also lead to an intra-school event towards February.



KS1 have been doing Multi-sports (having a sense of space and using equipment) this half term with Miss Beamond. The children have been focusing on achieving throwing, spatial awareness, kicking, moving and catching. They have used a variety of different equipment including beanbags, soft and hard balls, tennis balls and netballs. The children have put these basic skills into a simple game situation.



This half term Miss Beamond has been teaching Hockey to Y3, 4 and 6. Pupils have been demonstrating the correct technique for passing, dribbling, stopping and running with the ball as well as understanding tactical rules. They have applied the correct rules and good game play completed with speed, accuracy and confidence.



Miss Beamond has also taught Y5 Gymnastics this half term. Pupils have covered basic floor shapes, floor movements, balances, different rolls, flight and traveling. This includes individual and partner balances. Pupils have worked very hard to link these different aspects together to create sequences that successfully flow.



**Albrighton** This half-term Mr Jew has been teaching Gymnastics to all Y1/2 classes – Shooting Stars, Racing Rockets and Cosmic Comets! Pupils have learnt about travelling, jumping/landing using shapes, travelling in different ways and



putting all things together to make simple sequences. The Bronze Ambassador team have also worked with Mr Jew to plan and deliver a Dodgeball tournament to Y5/6s and Y3/4s! They have worked very hard to develop their leadership skills and teamwork to make each event a success.

**Brockton** This half term at Brockton Mrs Dillon has been working with years 4-6 in tag rugby. All of the children have learned and developed the specific skills required to play conditioned games, some of the younger children have focused on passing backwards and ball handling whilst the older children have even learnt the complicated offside rule! We have entered the highly competitive East Tag competition so we are hoping that our formations and tactics will find success and pride in our performance.

Class 1 have been busy bees learning gymnastic skills such as travelling, jumping/landing, rolling, shapes, climbing and developing sequences. They have all worked so hard and are a real credit to the school.



**St Andrews** This half term Miss Dillon has been working with Oak class year 5 / 6 on Handball and year 1 class focusing on target games. The year 5 / 6 have learned the specific skills required to play Handball in a competitive game situation and have progressed so much that they even ran a house competition in the last week. The class teacher and I are hoping to select a team from the class to represent the school in the East Shropshire Handball competition next half term.

The year 1 children have been learning and developing the skill of throwing underarm and overarm, they understand and can show me how to throw using both techniques and can apply when to use which throw dependant on the distance – some of the children are really good at throwing with accuracy too.

**Beckbury** This half term Miss Beamond has been teaching Multi-skills to Wrekin Class (having a sense of space and using equipment). The children have been focusing on achieving throwing, spatial awareness, kicking, moving and catching. They have used a variety of different equipment including beanbags, soft and hard balls, tennis balls and netballs.

Miss Beamond has also taught Malvern Class Gymnastics this half term. Pupils have covered basic floor shapes, floor movements, balances, different rolls, flight and traveling. This includes individual and partner balances. Pupils have worked very hard to link these different aspects together to create sequences that successfully flow.

Miss Beamond has been teaching hockey to Brecon Class. Pupils have been demonstrating the correct technique for passing, dribbling, stopping and running with the ball as well as understanding tactical rules. They have applied the correct rules and good game play completed with speed, accuracy and confidence.

# Primary Teaching



**Morville** Mr Chase has been delivering the new GameOn football module from the Youth Sport Trust and Barclays promotion. We have seen the students take part in a range of different games which promote thinking skills in and around invasion games. Mr Chase is very excited to be leaving a copy of the resource with Mrs Riley to continue the good work.

The Year 3 and 4s have been working on a Tennis module. We have seen students' progress from ball handing and racket control to being able to maintain a rally across the net. Mr Chase

has been very impressed by the development of control.



Reception and Year 1 have been working hard to listen to instructions and copying the demonstrations. We have played lots of team games and waited our turn. We have improved our aim whilst playing 'battle cones'. We have developed two techniques in over arm and under arm throws. Excellent work Morville.

**Sheriffhales** During this half term Miss Dillon has been teaching Tag Rugby and Hockey to the year 5 and 6 pupils, in which many of the children have progressed so much that they have attended the Idsall tag competition and WON!! We are hoping for success and fun when they take part in the highly competitive Tag tournament at Swancote too – GOOD LUCK ALL! The older children have also ran an interhouse competition for the younger children in dodgeball, they led the activity well and the younger children loved it! The year 3 / 4 children have enjoyed learning and developing their gymnastic skills and fitness this half term, they have learnt many balances, ways of travelling, rolling, and developing pair sequencing. We have some excellent gymnasts in this class and hope next year in the gym comp at Idsall they will represent the school!



**Christchurch** Mr Chase has been busy delivering Orienteering with his three groups here. We have seen tremendous improvement in our ability to plan and recognise key information which will help us in our performance. We have been developing our understanding of the surroundings and learning to visualise from different perspectives.



**Worfield** This half term Miss Beamond has been teaching Football to Y3 and Y4. Pupils have been using a range of techniques when passing, shooting and controlling the ball. These classes have also learnt how to defend and attack effectively in a football game. They have also developed positional awareness on the field of play and demonstrate confidence to play in a preferred position.

**St Leonards** This half term Miss Beamond has been teaching Dance to KS1. Pupils have demonstrated a variety of dance themes including trees and leaves as well as pirates. As a class the children have practiced their own creative and complex dance routines using counts, rhythm, space and structure by exploring and improvising ideas for dances in different styles.

**Broseley** Mr Chase has started at Broseley this term. He has enjoyed working with the Bronze Ambassadors in planning two events for the Year 4s. We have played a Boccia and Kurling Tournament. Each time the leaders have been able to suggest what went well and what they would like to change. We still have Tri-Gold to complete after half term.

Mr Chase has been working on GetSet4PE module 'Ball Skills'. We have seen the students work on a range of skills involving passing the ball with their feet and hands. We have concentrated on how to use our body to defend the ball and how this can help us maintain possession.

Broseley dancers rehearsing to the song Revolting Children from the musical Annie which they performed in the WBS primary dance festival on Tuesday 15th Feb at The Edge Theatre.



**Claverley** This half term Miss Beamond has been teaching Tag Rugby to KS2. Pupils have been using a range of techniques when passing, attacking and controlling the ball. These classes have also learnt how to defend effectively in a tag rugby game. They have also developed positional awareness on the field of play and demonstrate confidence to play in a preferred position.

**Alveley** Miss Beamond has taught KS2 Gymnastics this half term. Pupils have covered basic floor shapes, floor movements, balances, different rolls, flight and traveling. This includes individual and partner balances. Pupils have worked very hard to link these different aspects together to create sequences that successfully flow.



# Competitions and Events



IMAGES FROM THE INCLUSION FESTIVAL

**Inclusion Festival** This event took place at Oldbury Wells School on Tuesday 1st February with the following schools in attendance:

Brockton, Alveley, St Johns, Morville, Much Wenlock and Highley. Unfortunately, Castlefields had to withdraw last minute due to rising Covid cases. Pupils took part in different activities as part of a carousel including dodgeball, cricket, bench ball and capture the flag. Activities were designed and led by Year 9 sports leaders from OWS as part of their Sports Leaders UK Level 1 qualification they are completing with Mr Jew. Mr Jew said "leaders came up with some different and exciting games for pupils to play, which were matched to their ability levels. Overall, I was impressed with their delivery and leadership skills shown"

**Bridgnorth Family Rugby** Bridgnorth Endowed School hosted the Bridgnorth Family Rugby Festival this half term. This was held over two designated evenings where schools brought their teams along to prepare for the Area Rugby Event that was due to be hosted at BRFC. During the two dates, 10 teams from 7 different school took part in some skill development and rule familiarisation, before some match practise in a round robin event. We wish all of the Bridgnorth family School well for the Area Finals which will now be commencing on an alternative date.

**Idsall Tag Rugby coaching and competition.** Shifnal, St Andrews, Sheriffhales and St Marys Albrighton attended the 2 weeks of Tag coaching and then the friendly competition. The schools brought keen rugby players from years 3-6 along for the 2 weeks. The Idsall leaders coached them on the first week in a series of fun drills to improve their performance. The second week we held a competition for the younger teams and the older teams – we all agreed that the development and progress shown over the 2 weeks was amazing, and what was even more wonderful was the positive and sportsman like

attitude from, all schools, with the victory claimed by St Andrews year 3/4 and Sheriffhales year 5 / 6. Well done to all and my Leaders!





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## South Africa

### triumph at rugby 7's!!

South Africa, or Oldbury Wells, won the first secondary event ran by the TSP this year, triumphing at the Y8 boys rugby at BRFC on Wednesday 9th February. Each school was allocated a Commonwealth nation to link the event to the 'B2022' Commonwealth Games taking place in Birmingham this summer, in which rugby 7's will feature as a competition. Bridgnorth Rugby Club supported the event, played at their Swancote ground, and 6 teams took part from 5 different schools – Lacon Childe, Idsall, Bridgnorth Endowed, Oldbury Wells and William Brookes. The overall results were as follows: 1st – OWS, 2nd –



IDS, 3rd – BES, 4th – Lacon, 5th – WBS, 6th – Lacon.

### KS2 Boccia

This event took place at Idsall School on Wednesday 12th January with the following schools attending: Shifnal , St



Andrew's C of E, Claverley, St. John's and Morville. All teams played lots of

matches during the afternoon with the standard getting better and better throughout! The finals stages were contested by Shifnal and Morville who had all 3 teams through to the semi-finals!! However, the event ended with Shifnal as

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champions and Morville claiming 2nd, 3rd and 4th!!

### Active in Mind' training gets people thinking!

As part of the TSP spring term INSET day on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January partnership lead

officer Chris Jew delivered training for staff based on the Youth Sport Trust 'Active in Mind' programme. Active in Mind is funded through Sport England National Lottery funding. It targets young people (Key Stage 2 and above) who are experiencing low level mental health issues and part of a wellbeing support programme in their school (pastoral support



or counselling) or in Tier 1 or 2 Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS). The programme is based around understanding brain function and the negative effects of stress on young people within and outside of school. The training learns from positive experiences of physical exercise, using athlete mentors to promote positive outcomes and tools linked to a healthy lifestyle for physical and mental wellbeing. The programme includes free resources for staff to mentor young people using this model. The training day also included a session on this years 'School Games Mark' criteria and application process and an afternoon slot on cricket for teachers delivered by the Shropshire Cricket Board based around the Chance to Shine teaching resources.



# Leadership and Training

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## Bronze Ambassador

Bronze Ambassadors from some of our primary schools have been leading activities for the younger students in their schools this half-term. Brockton and Buildwas Bronze

Ambassadors have led Kurling and Boccia activities whilst Bronze Ambassadors from Broseley have led a Boccia activity.

On Friday 11th February the Claverley Bronze Ambassador team of Will, Evan, Eden and Poppy delivered 2 Tag Rugby tournaments to Y3/4 (Red class) and Y5/6 (Blue class). They had decided upon an order of play with 4 teams involved from each class

using the home nations of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales as team names. Eden and Poppy delivered a fun warm up game before Evan and Will sorted pupils into teams and they all refereed games and kept scores so they could work out final positions at the end. Mr Jew said "the BA team picked a very difficult sport to referee in Tag Rugby but I thought they got better and better as each tournament progressed. I was very impressed by their commitment and professional attitude!"



## Additional Spring Pics

