



Ryedale/Whitby School Games newsletter

December 2019



It has been a very busy term with lots of opportunities for young people across the Ryedale/Whitby partnership. Thank you to all staff who work so hard to provide opportunities for our students. Special thanks to Shaun Hopper, Anne-Marie Scales, Lisa Mussett, Jay Rowley, Jo Dale and Tom Myers for all the great work they do in providing opportunities for our Primary students.

Cross Country

Children from seventeen Primary schools attended the School Games cross country event at Lady Lumley's School. There were some very impressive performances, with children working very hard to secure a place in the County final at Dalby Forest. It was wonderful to see so many children running with such enthusiasm. Congratulations to all those who qualified to run at Dalby Forest. The Ryedale/Whitby runners did us proud in some very wet and windy conditions. Stand out performances at the Dalby event came from Liam Walker (Settrington), winner of the Inclusion race and George Manderson (Rillington) who achieved 3rd place in the Year 3 boys event.

Year 5/6 Football

The football competitions were very well supported across the partnership. The finals of the boys and girls events were held at Eskdale School. Congratulations to East Whitby, winners of the boys event and Langton, winners of the girls event. For the first time, Ryedale/Whitby also held a mixed competition for small schools. Thank you to all schools who supported this new event. Congratulations to St. Joseph's for winning a very closely fought competition. All three winning schools have qualified to represent the Ryedale/Whitby partnership in the County finals to be played in York in January. Good luck to you all!



KS2 Basketball

One of this term's development events was the KS2 basketball held at Lady Lumley's School. Thank you to all schools who sent teams. The event was won by a very impressive team from Kirkbymoorside. Well done!

Year 7 Netball

The Year 7 Partnership netball tournament took place at Lady Lumley's School on 26th November. Eight teams competed, with the standard of play being very high. The competition was very tight between the top three teams. Congratulations to Malton School on their victory. Malton School will now go on to represent Ryedale/Whitby at the County finals in April. Good luck girls!



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Year 3/4 Dodgeball

Thank you to all schools who attended the Ryedale area Year 3/4 dodgeball event — including one school attending a School Games event for the very first time. This was also a development opportunity and proved to be a very close contest with some great skills on display from all teams. Great fun was had by all. Congratulations to an excellent Nawton team for securing first place.



KS3 and KS4 Badminton

Fifteen teams competed in the KS3 badminton at Lady Lumley's School.

The competition involves teams playing a combination of both singles and doubles games. Once again the competition was very close — we had to look at points scored to allocate places in the final. Congratulations to Malton for achieving victories in both the boys and the girls competitions.



Boccia The School Games under-19 Inclusive Boccia event was held at George Pindar School on 10th December. This event was open to both Primary and Secondary schools. Twenty teams competed in the tournament, with some games proving to be very tense and tactical! After a fantastic competition, Norton College and Caedmon College both qualified for the County finals in April.



Fifteen teams also competed in the KS4 event. The standard of play was very high. Well done to everyone who took part. Once again Malton School dominated the competition, winning both the girls and the boys events. Congratulations to Malton who will now compete in the County final in York in February.

Rugby Megafest Seven schools from the Ryedale area attended a Rugby Megafest event in November. This provided an opportunity for pupils to develop their skills in a non-competitive environment. Many thanks to Tom Myers, RFU coaches and Malton & Norton Rugby Club.



I have enjoyed visiting schools this term to deliver plaques and certificates for School Games Mark awards. Thank you to all schools who applied for the award last year. Special congratulations to St. Hilda's R.C. Primary, West Cliff, Slingsby, Kirkbymoorside, Luttons and Norton Primary for achieving the Gold award. It would be great to see more schools applying next year.



Many thanks to everybody for their help and support during my first term as SGO. I hope to see you all at lots of events in the New Year. If I can help with any aspect of the School Games programme, please do not hesitate to contact me - srobinson@ladylumleys.net. Merry Christmas!

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