

## Sports Report WC 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March

U9 Netball Festival



In wet and windy conditions, 2 Gateways teams had a fantastic afternoon at the netball festival.

Gateways A remained unbeaten, winning 3 and drawing 2 games. Although the girls didn't play their best netball, they learnt how to win in difficult conditions and looked after the ball to be able to take it down to goal. The girls were able to play lots of different positions and combinations to build their knowledge and understanding of all the positions.

Gateways B competed extremely well in all of their 6 games, showing strong resilience throughout in wintry conditions. Although some of the results did not go our way the girls remained upbeat and grew in confidence as the tournament progressed. All 10 players shared equal game time and played in a variety of positions, which bodes well moving forward.

As the netball term is starting to come an end with only a couple more fixtures to go, the girls have made lots of progress and are starting to grasp the key skills required for each position and how to transition between attack and defence. Keep up the good work!

Miss Jade Preston & Mr Michael Arnold

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U9 Hockey v Ashville



It felt like we experienced all four seasons in one afternoon as the Gateways Upper 1 and Lower 2 boys made the short trip up the A61 to Harrogate to take on Ashville.

Blue skies and sunshine were on display as the minibuses left Harewood however, the vista over the top of Almscliffe Crag suggested that we might be in for some precipitation...we were correct! We arrived at Ashville to be greeted by a blizzard of snow and the game looked to be in doubt as we sat on the buses hoping the weather would lift.

Despite starting in the snow, the weather did improve and we were able to play a round robin of 16 games of 7 minutes each. Spoils were shared as some of the teams lost and some of the teams won however, we were just delighted that we were able to play.

We have two weeks remaining; a football and hockey fixture remain in the calendar, let's hope that the weather starts to get a little warmer as Easter approaches!

Mr Simon Scholfield

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