

Sports Report wc 31/01/22

31st January 2022 U13 League Netball Tournament



The U13 team travelled to Woodhouse Grove for their league tournament. The girls managed to get 2 wins, a draw and 2 losses. The first game the girls played against Fulneck was the best they have played all season. They used forward and back drives to get into space and passed the ball hard but accurately to each other to move the ball down the court. Jasmine Levison and Mia Fishwick controlled the midcourt and made sure they were driving onto the ball to take it ahead of their defenders. Maya Hancocks and Maddie Lee worked well together in the circle to make sure one of them was always an opposition and both of the girls had accurate shooting. Throughout the whole afternoon, it was lovely to hear and see the positivity and support the U13s had for each other which helped them to work as a team to play some of their best netball yet.

1st February 2022 U14/15 Hockey v GSAL Seniors



A small group of hockey players went to GSAL to play in a friendly match with their seniors. The group of girls we played against don't often get matches and so were very grateful for the game. The match started Gateways v GSAL on a half pitch, both teams played very well and the umpire complimented our skill level on an Astroturf. It was decided that after half time we would play on a full size pitch and would play 11 v 11. This meant that the girls had to think about positional play and to use more powerful hits to cover the length and width of the pitch. All the girls who played adapted very well to this change and linked well with the GSAL players. Tom Newdall played in goal for us and saved some excellent goals, he was voted player of the match by the opposition. Millie Edge, Elle Johnson and Izzy Dyer should also be congratulated for their efforts, they played with good defence skills and cleared the ball well to the widths of the pitch for the attackers to take it up to goal.

2nd February 2022 U15 Netball League Tournament Runners Up



The U15 netball team played in the Leeds tournament on Tuesday. They were determined to play their best netball even with the extremely windy conditions. In the first match against Prince Henrys B, the conditions did not seem to affect the fluidity of play. The ball moved smoothly from defence to attack and the defenders often gaining interceptions to give our attackers more chances at goal. This was a convincing win that set us up for the rest of the tournament. We played the next match against Cardinal Heenan and won comfortably. Our 3rd match was against GSAL A but we were confident in our skill ability that we could dominate from the first whistle. We utilised our attacking ability and the defenders forced errors in their attacking circle meaning we finished with a score of 10-0. The final game was against Horsforth and although it was a slow start we won by a significant margin. It was only in the final that we were challenged by Rodillian and they ended up winners of the tournament.

Well done to all the girls that played - runners up in the Leeds and District area is an excellent achievement!

2nd February 2022
U15 Netball vs Guiseley
Gateways 37 – 10 Guiseley



After a long afternoon of tournament matches yesterday, the U15s had a little fatigue about them before the game and were playing in new combinations with different players. Izzy Dyer took charge of the warm up to help motivate the girls to get ready to play and as soon as the first whistle came, the girls worked hard to gain possession and played controlled netball to take a convincing win. Izzy Dyer scored all the goals and even had to get the ball with two good defenders on her. Guiseley challenged us through the midcourt and we needed to use different drives to get the ball cleanly as they were heavily on the body when defending. The girls managed to overcome this by working together to create space and use long balls to cut out players through the court. The girls are on track to win the league with only two games in the division remaining. Opposition player of the match was awarded to Chloe Brogan.

3rd February 2022
U12 Netball vs Brigshaw
Gateways 9 – 3 Brigshaw



The U12s have been working hard in practice to use stronger passes and stay closer to their defence and this game was a good opportunity to put that into practice. Although the girls were outside for their game for the first time in a while, they used short but hard passes to each other to make their way down the court. Bo Johnson worked hard defence by staying close to her opposition player and looking for intercepts to give the U12 team more opportunities at goal. Ella Womack and Hajrah Hussain were taking confident shots at goal and always in a rebound position when necessary. Opposition player of the match was awarded to Ella Womack.

3rd February 2022
U13 Netball vs Brigshaw
Gateways 15 – 8 Brigshaw



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Following the U13s tournament on Monday, this was their first opportunity to display their new confidence in a friendly game. They were all driving onto the ball and getting into space which made them quicker than the opposition. The girls worked hard in both attack and defence to gain more possession of the ball and with good shooting accuracy they were able to take advantage of this. Mia Fishwick, Francesca Marsh and Jasmine Levison worked together in the mid court to always be an option. Opposition player of the match was awarded to Mia Fishwick.

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