

Sports Report w/c 13/11/2023

Saturday 11th November 2023

Seniors' National Netball Tournament



The senior netball team entered the national netball tournament at the weekend. This was a big step up from some of our weekly matches and required the girls to play some of their best netball. We always knew this competition was going to be difficult, however the girls worked really hard and won 2 games and lost 2 games to finish 3rd overall.

The girls adapted to the different combinations well, especially in the PHGS game as we scored 14 goals in the first 7 minutes whilst limiting the opposition to just 3. The Bradford Grammar game went goal for goal in the 2nd half of the match and the girls had to come from behind to win the game. This was an important win and one that the girls had to work extremely hard for.

Overall, this was a fantastic day for the girls and it was very enjoyable to watch their netball skills improve as the games went on.

Miss Jade Preston

Monday 13th November 2023 Seniors Netball vs PHGS

This was a challenging game as we had only just played the opposition a few weeks ago and therefore each team knew what each other's strengths and weaknesses were. The girls had to focus from the very first whistle and it was important we had a good start to limit the opposition's immediate confidence in the game.

The game was played with a lot of control and our girls consistently moved the ball around to look for the free player before quickly releasing it into the shooting circle. Through the court, the girls worked hard on defence to stick close to their players and were often able to come out with tips and intercepts to help give us the advantage in the game.

Every player on the court put in their absolute all and it was a fantastic display of netball with neutral umpires commenting on how high the standard of netball was.

Thank you to PHGS for the rematch and we look forward to finding out who we will play in the next round.

Miss Jade Preston

Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th November

Hockey

U13s v GSAL

U13s v Horsforth and Roundhay School



The Gateways Under 13 hockey team kicked off the season with a truly promising start. Players were tasked with demonstrating two key elements on the pitch. Firstly, I asked all players to work as hard as possible, and secondly, to keep their sticks on the floor when defending. The response was nothing short of impressive, players were like sponges, absorbing all the coaching points. Every single player showed energy and determination throughout, which was then evident in their quick counterattacks and tracking back when Gateways lost possession of the ball.

Player of the matches went to Elise who was unstoppable in attack, scoring a hat-trick in the game against Horsforth. Honor was a great team player and showed incredible work rate. Caitlyn was able to send perfectly timed long balls to her teammates who were in great positions for shots at goal.

As the season progresses, I eagerly anticipate the girls' growth. Their spirit and receptiveness to coaching serve as a promising foundation for future achievements in sports at Gateways.

Congratulations to all the players, and I look forward to the two fixtures again next week against GSAL on Wednesday and Roundhay on Thursday.

Mrs Hannah Nichol

High School basketball and rugby

Unfortunately the U15 basketball game v Ashville planned for this week was cancelled but will be rescheduled.

The boys have continued to work on their rugby skills, relishing the chance to dive around in the wet mud! This hasn't dampened their enthusiasm but has helped them retain high levels of skill in testing conditions.

The under 15s are preparing for their next fixture against Woodhouse Grove on Thursday 30th November.