

### Sports Report w/c23/09/2024

### U13 Football v Fulneck



The Gateways U13 A and B football teams enjoyed victories against Fulneck School, with the A team winning 4-2 and the B team securing an 8-0 triumph. Both teams displayed excellent ball movement, playing with width, pace, and teamwork.

The A team's quick transitions and precise attacking play earned them a well-deserved win, while the B team dominated from start to finish, overwhelming Fulneck with their relentless pressure and clinical finishing. Both teams showed great potential, skill and sportsmanship throughout the games.

Mr Tom Davidson



#### Lower 6 and U16 Netball vs Mount St Marys



The newly formed netball team had a trip over to Mount St Marys to play their first netball game of this academic year. This was a good opportunity for the girls to showcase the knowledge and skills that we have been working on in our games lessons. Throughout the game, the girls started to work together as a team and were communicating where they wanted to receive the ball. This helped them to keep possession and increased the number of opportunities they had at goal.

As the game progressed, the girls started to change direction and drive onto the ball to ensure they minimised the opportunity of the ball being intercepted. It was great to see the improvement of this throughout and helped the team to win the game.

The girls also enjoyed the opportunity to play a range of positions and combinations and hopefully this is something we can continue to take into future games.

**Miss Jade Preston** 



#### Senior Boys Football v Harrogate Grammar



The Gateways Senior Boys Football team faced a tough challenge in the National Schools Cup, going down 6-0 to a much older and physically stronger Harrogate Grammar side. Despite the scoreline, with many U5s in the squad, the team put in an impressive performance. They fought for every ball, defended resolutely, and attacked with energy and purpose, showing great determination throughout. Although unable to break down the opposition's defence, the boys never gave up and played with heart and effort until the final whistle. A valiant performance against strong opposition that bodes well for the future.

Mr Tom Davidson



### **Under 14 Hockey Tournament First Round**



In the first round of the U14 England Hockey Tier 2 & 3 competition, hosted at Bradford Grammar School, the girls were excited to start the season with everything to play for. First and second places would qualify for the Tier 2 sub-area finals, while third and fourth places would enter the Tier 4 sub-area finals. The team knew they had everything to play for, building on the success of last season.

The girls started a little nervous and full of apprehension about what to expect. They passed the ball well but struggled to keep Bradford away from our defensive D. Aggy made some fantastic saves, but eventually, Bradford broke Gateways down and scored. The final score was 1-0 to Bradford Grammar.

Gateways started to know what to expect and played with more confidence. They moved the ball around well, using the width and height of the pitch. Caitlyn made some impressive tackles and distributed the ball effectively. Elise made a darting run and finished with a goal. We had many chances, but GSAL's keeper made some remarkable saves. The final whistle blew and Gateways came away with 3 points.

The third game was against a tough Silcoates team. Once again, we saw excellent diving saves from Aggy and impressive defending from Ruby, Ellie, and Sadie. We won convincingly 1-0 and were full of confidence.



The fourth game was against Wakefield, a well-organised team that moved the ball with pace and applied pressure throughout the game. Once again, Aggy made some amazing saves, supported by solid defence from Ruby and Caitlyn.

The final game was played in very wet conditions, making it challenging for the girls to string passes together. Rishworth dominated from the start, and Gateways struggled to gain any momentum. The girls fought hard but came away with a disappointing 2-0 defeat.

All the girls played brilliantly, showing great teamwork, spirit, and determination. An excellent day of hockey.

Mrs Hannah Nichol