

New Mills Primary School

Sports Bulletin

December 2017

Welcome to the December edition of our newsletters dedicated to Sport and Physical Activity at New Mills Primary School. The Newsletter will keep you up to date with results and reports from Interschool Sport competitions and include special reports from other activities and events which the children are involved in. If you have a comment or suggestion about what you would like to see included in the Newsletter in the future please send all comments to Mrs Fisher via Miss Moody in the school office.

Table Tennis

The annual High Peak Table tennis competition has become a firm favourite with the children at New Mills Primary School. Ten schools from the area took part in this knock out competition held at New Mills High School. There was some stiff competition but our teams really stepped up and played some great shots. The girls team made it through to the Semi-finals, losing to a very strong Padfield team. They then played Hayfield for 3rd place and managed to win this match. The Boys Blue team also made it through to the Semi-finals but were beaten by a strong Dinting team and then by Padfield in the 3rd place play off. The Boys red team lost in the rounds stage but did a brilliant job despite their lack of experience. The boys event was won by Chinley who have an active Table Tennis club at school and the girls event was won by Padfield. We were very proud that our boys team was awarded the Spirit of the Games Award for teamwork and honesty. All three teams did a great job of managing themselves during this event with older or more experienced children supporting and helping those less experienced. Well done to Jodie and Lizzie for some great individual play and thank you to Alfie and Luc C for being great Team Captains.





Basketball

Seven teams from 5 schools in New Mills attended the Basketball competition held at New Mills Leisure Centre. New Mills Primary took two strong teams from year 6, all who had worked hard to improve their tactics, attacking, shooting and dribbling in practise. The event was played as a round robin where all the teams played each other, the team with the most points being the winner. New Mills teams played some great Basketball with all team members being involved in the games and teams working together to pass the ball. In the end both our teams struggled to turn great play into baskets scored and we were ultimately beaten by teams with stronger players who were able to score baskets more consistently. New Mills primary showed great sportsmanship and resilience on court with many of the games being fast and physical. Well done to Lizzie and Willow for taking the role of team captains. The competition was rightly won by Newtown who will go on to represent New Mills in the High Peak Area event.



Reception Activity Day

Reception class had a lovely time at the activity morning at the Leisure Centre. They had the chance to play 4 different games which were set up by the young leaders from New Mills School. The children did really well and had plenty of energy for the event although the walk back up the hill to school took a bit longer on the way back! Thank you to all the parents who helped us walk the children to the event – we couldn't do these things without you.



Swimming Spectacular

The High Peak Swim Spectacular was held at Buxton Leisure centre with 10 schools from around the area sending teams of children's to take part in fun races and a float session. The session is designed for children who are looking to improve their swimming and allows them to take part in races without the pressure of it being a formal event. The children from New Mills Primary School did us proud and were impeccably behaved on the pool side and in the water.



Key Stage 1 Activity Morning

Year 9 Leaders from New Mills School organised a series of games and activities for our Year 1 children during the KS1 Activity Morning. We had a great time playing noodle games and 'Stop the Blob' (ask the kids what this is!!). Thanks you to Mr Worsely from New Mills School for the great events he puts on for our children. New Mills is the best place for interschool sport in the whole of the High Peak with an event every week of the school year. Schools in Buxton and Glossop don't have access to the same level of interschool competition so we are very lucky indeed.



Lunch Time

We continue to run lunch time sports clubs throughout the winter in most weathers. These are informal clubs for KS2 children where they can come and play a variety of sports in an informal but structured way. Currently we are running the following clubs:

Monday – Netball/Basketball

Tuesday – This is normally the practise for that week’s interschool sports event

Thursday – Girls Only football – A number of the boys have asked why this isn’t open to them....a good question. The girls who attend this club are those who wouldn’t feel confident playing in a larger mixed gender group and the club is designed to enable these girls to get more confidence and skill with ball sports.

After School Clubs

We currently run 3 Sports after school clubs which your child can access. They are run by external companies who charge various different amounts for the club. Currently we are offering:

Wednesday – Take Part in the Art – Drama, dance and musical theatre

Wednesday – Dodgeball – UK Sport Coaching

Thursday – Little Learners KS1

For more information on these clubs please see Miss Moody in the school office.

PE Kit - appeal

Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school. This should include shorts, tracksuit bottoms, a t shirt and spare socks. It should also include a hoody or jumper and trainers or well-fitting pumps. If children do not have the right PE kit, it can waste time in PE lessons and often means we are unable to take the children outside. We always need spare PE kit so if you have any spare shorts, T Shirts or trainers which you could donate to the school then please hand them into the office. **We are currently short of Trainers in size 1 – 5 and shorts and joggers for age 9 – 11.**

Request for Drivers!

We are lucky in that we are able to walk to many of the sports events which take place in New Mills. However, for those events which are further afield we rely on parents to help transport children. If you think you can help drive children to a sports event in your own car then please give your contact details to the school office. All drivers must be fully DBS checked (school would carry out this check on your behalf). Thank you!

Upcoming Interschool Sports Events

Event	Date and Time	Location
10 th January	Year 3 and 4 Benchball	New Mills Leisure Centre
17 th January	Year 5 and 6 Dodgeball	New Mills Leisure Centre
24 th January	Dance Festival	New Mills School
31 st January	Change for Life	Fairfield Centre Buxton
31 st January	Sportshall Athletics	New Mills Leisure centre
7 th February	Boccia	New Mills Leisure Centre
7 th March	High Fives Netball	New Mills School
9 th March	Year 5 and 6 Gymnastics	Glossop Leisure centre
13 th March	KS1 Gymnastics Festival	New Mills Leisure Centre

14th March

Mapquest

Buxton Park