



PE Newsletter 7th October- 11th
October

Year 7

Year 7 Netball

The year 7's had their second game of their league this week and again played brilliantly. Playing at home against our local opponents Thurston, the girls got off to strong start. With Lola covering the court brilliantly at centre and passing well between Lily and Emily, the girls were 3-0 up at the end of the first third. Fantastic defending from Abigail and Lilly made it difficult for the opposition to get goals past them. Poppy worked as a great link between defence and attack, allowing many more chances at goal which Olaya was able to utilise. Another great game for the team, well done girls!





A mixed team put together with year 7 & 8 players, some new to the game, were up against Thurston this week in a friendly. For the first third the ball was mostly in our possession but their defence in the D was strong, so by the end of the third it was still a 0-0 draw. The second third saw some goals from both teams, but our girls were in the lead and looking good with Isla Green and Lily covering the court well at centre and Ellie creating great space for passes. By the final third the girls were really working well, strong defence from Ruby and Olivia really helped to keep the score down and shooting from Esme and Sienna went from strength to strength.



Year 8

Year 8 Netball

Another strong start from the year 8's game against Thurston this week. By the end of the first third they were leading 9-1 and had most of the possession of the game. Thurston came back strong in the second third, but with great defence from **Olivia** and **Matilda** the score from the opposition still stayed low. Great shooting from **Isla** and **Keri** saw the score continue to grow and some good links from **Ellen**, **Lily** and **Mylee** to feed the ball down the court meant the girls finished with another strong win. Great work girls!







Year 9

Year 9 Netball

On Wednesday the year 9 girls participated in the West Suffolk Tournament where they faced a number of schools from the local area. As the tournament went on they really shown a lot of progress. The final scores for each game were: TGS (12-2 Win) Culford (3-8 Loss) County Upper (13-4 Loss) KEGS (15-5 Win) and Finborough (10-5 Loss). Well done to **Keri Nauivunivuni** from year 8 who stepped up and won player of the tournament for her excellent shooting.



Year 9 Boys Football - National Cup



This was an excellent game of football, played by two very good school sides. The boys had been given a bit of a footballing lesson by Kesgrave last year but this was a much closer encounter. Setting up to stay compact and hit Kesgrave on the break soon proved to be a good call as the visitors struggled to create any real chances in the first twenty minutes. **Ben Hooper** and **Lewis Randell** had threatened to get in behind the Kesgrave back three and on 25 minutes the two combined as Ben got in on the right hand side and squared the ball for **Lewis** to tap in at the back post. Half Time 1-0. Stows back line and hard working midfield continued to frustrate the visitors in the second half until a well struck free kick finally pulled them level. After this the game started to open up and chances came at either end. Unfortunately, it was Kesgrave that took there's when an excellent reverse pass put their player through to slot home. An excellent effort by all the boys who will go far in the local cups if they continue to play like this!

Year 10

Year 10 Netball

The year 10 girls played against other local schools in the West Suffolk Tournament on Wednesday afternoon. The girls showed some great play across the court, with some brilliant shooting from **Danielle Taylor** and **Molly Fountain** who scored 42 goals between them in their 6 games. We finished in fourth place after winning three of our six games. Congratulations to **Poppy Healy**, who won player of the tournament for her outstanding defence throughout the competition.



Year 10 Girls Futsal

Earlier in the week the year 10 girls futsal team faced Hartismere, knowing they had a chance to qualify for the county finals. The game was evenly matched throughout, with some excellent attacks from both sides. Our GK (stepping up at the last possible moment due to illness) **Danielle Taylor** made some cracking saves. But it was Hartismere that took the 3 goal lead and managed to keep it to win the game. Well done to all 5 girls on their relentless effort, especially **Phoebe Fox** who carried on through an injury.



Year 10 Boys Football

Stowmarket's Under 15's participation squad took the journey over to Thurston to play two friendly games and the matches were played in great spirits. Stowmarket's first game was up against the stronger of the Thurston's teams and came out on the losing side, losing 4-0 but defended very well to keep the score as it was and credit goes to the lads for their attitude, commitment and keeping their heads up!

The second game was a much more of an even affair and Stowmarket could have easily won this game. We more than matched Thurston and had some great chances to score. **Alfie Aldis** and **Teddy Allen** came close, **Vinnie** shot over the bar and **Harry Buckle** nearly scored a long range free kick. Stowmarket caused problems from corners nearly scoring on a few occasions. The game ended up the same scoreline as the first to Thurston due to the game being more open, but the score certainly didn't reflect the game and once again I would like to congratulate the team and a great battling spirited display with fantastic attitude and effort - a credit to the school.



Year 10 Boys Futsal

Stowmarket for the second year running qualified for the county finals after winning 2 games and drawing 1 to progress. The first game Stowmarket ran out rampant 4-0 winners against stowupland and played fantastically well. The 2nd game was a much more closer affair against Thomas Mills and managed to score late on winning 2-1 from being 1-0 behind.

The last game was a shootout between Hartismere and whoever won progressed to the county finals but a draw was enough for Stowmarket to progress. Stowmarket both attacked and defended well and took a rampant 4-1 lead but with nerves and tired legs setting in, Hartismere fought back to 4-4 and we were lucky to hold on, only for an absolute wonder save from **Jimmy Johnson**, one of the best saves you are likely to ever see that stopped Hartismere from progressing. Congratulations to **Oscar King, Ryan Seagar, Jacob Minchin, Harry Patterson and Jasper Piper** from playing well, scoring good goals and progressing to the county finals.



Year 11

Year 11 Boys Football

The boys took the long drive to Mildenhall for their first game of the year. Unfortunately, the drive took longer than the game as the hosts only had the astro booked till 5pm! Despite this the boys made a good start to the game and could have easily been a couple of goals up by half time but failed to convert. They were made to pay for this early in the second half as a free kick from the left drifted in at the back post. A quick second goal from a dubious penalty took the game away from the boys. However, they showed excellent attitude and pulled a goal back through **Archie Pickett** in the final minute. With full length halves they may well have taken the game to penalties! Final score 2-1.

Fortunately a mix up in the fixtures means they have found their way back into the WSC and will play either TGS or Sybil in the next round.

Fixtures Next Week!

Tuesday 15th October:

- Sports Leaders @ SHS (3:10- 5:30pm) *J. Howland*
- Year 7 & 8 Netball @ SHS vs KEGS (3:10-5:00pm) *G.Whitfield*
- Year 10 Girls Football vs East Bergholt (2:30pm- 5:30pm) *J. Howland*

Wednesday 16th October:

- Year 9 Girls Football @ TCC (3:10pm- 5:00pm) *G.Whitfield*

Thursday 17th October:

- Year 8 Boys Football @
- Year 10 Boys Football @ SHS (3:10-5:00pm) *L.Andrews/ D.Wise*
- Cross Country (All Years) @ RHS (11:40- 3:10) *J.Howland*
- Year 11 Netball @ SHS vs Royal Hospital and Finborough (3:10-4:30pm) *J.Howland*