

CKJS—Match Reports

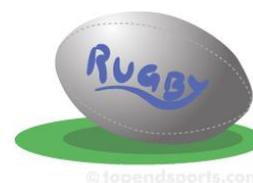
Matches tend to be few and far between in the winter months, but we have managed a few and a very special day out for our victorious tag rugby team!

The Sports Staff would like to thank all the parents for their support, particularly with transport, without which we would struggle to be involved in so many events.

Rugby

Gloucester vs Wasps, Saturday 19 November 2016

On Saturday November 19th, 12 very lucky year 5s had a fantastic experience day at Gloucester Rugby Club. This came about after winning the tournament hosted by Gloucester earlier this season.



The day started with a guided tour of the stadium, lead by Terry Fanoula, where the children saw the press office, 'The Shed', the tunnel, the hospitality suites and the changing rooms! They loved looking at the players' attire, energy drinks and massage tables! From here we were then lead to The Kings School Gloucester to play 3 tag rugby matches. Whilst no scores were kept, we won 2 games and drew 1.

Following this, we went back to Kingsholm and found our seats to watch the Gloucester Vs Wasps match for free! Before this Salesi Ma'afu and Tom Lindsay came over to the stands to answer the children's questions. Our children were certainly prepared to ask sensible and thought provoking questions! Then the fortunate pupils were a guard of honour for both teams before completing a pitch parade around the field.

With Gloucester winning 36-18, the pupils of CKJS went away tired but knowing they had a wonderful time and an experience day to remember. We would like to thank Gloucester Rugby Club, in particular Terry, Jack and Jake for their wonderful organisation and giving the children such an opportunity. I know the children (and some parents) had a superb afternoon.



Athletics

Indoor Athletics Competition - 7th December 2016

17 excited, keen and able athletes overcame 2 rounds of trials to be selected to represent Charlton Kings Junior School at The Indoor Athletics Finals, held at @ Leisure.



With 9 other schools also competing, we knew we were in for tough opposition across all events. The pupils should be extremely proud of themselves as they competed in:

- Chest Push
- Triple Jump
- Standing Long Jump
- Speed Bounce (Miss Tibbles also competed in this!)
- Various sprints and sprint relays
- Vertical Jump
- Javelin Throw (Mr Kirby also competed in this!)
- Over and Under
- Obstacle Race

The children's behaviour matched their sporting achievements. Miss Tibbles and Mr Kirby thought their attitude was exemplary; they really were a pleasure to take away. As the results were read out, we knew it would be close...

... 7 schools were read out in places 10th-4th, leaving just 3. Third place had 656 points, second place had 658 points and first had 680 points - the top three was extremely tight. However, all of the training the pupils put in paid off as we finished 1st! This means we qualify for the Regional Finals in the new year. The pupils deserved this for all of the effort and dedication they had put in, very well done to them all!

Miss Tibbles and Mr Kirby

Football



Albert Dix Tournament—Friday 14 October

Played 5

Won 1

Drew 3

Lost 1

CKJS will leave the tournament with their heads held high. Following a 0-0 draw with St Edward's (an improvement on the loss earlier in the season), we went on to beat Grangefield with a lovely finish from Isaac. We followed this up with a draw against Oakwood and Glenfall, Una scoring the only goal in the 2 games, leaving us with a nail biting tie with St Greg's. We knew we must win but we have not always found the back of the net as much as we would have liked and, in some people's eyes, as much as we have deserved. This needed to change if we were to progress further. A wonderful strike from George gave us hope, following the loss of 2 early goals. As the team drove forward, a post and some fantastic saves from the opposition 'keeper meant the game was still 2-1 going into the final few minutes. As we piled on the pressure, we were caught on the break twice, meaning we lost 4-1; a scoreline which doesn't tell half the story. The team are coming together well and our aim for the next half of term is still score more goals - something we will focus on in training! Every single player should be proud of their work ethic and achievements.

Leckhampton away—Wednesday 2 November

Our first game back after half-term gave us a shock to the system! The 'A' and 'B' team travelled to Leckhampton for what we knew would be two hard fixtures.

The 'A' team were caught off guard by a powerful early strike in what was otherwise an equal first half. However, after half-time we struggled to put into practice everything we had worked so hard on before half-term. Una tried to link up the play up front, Ben gave his all in the centre of mid-field and Thomas made some fine saves before Leckhampton ran out easy winners.

The 'B' team played in a match which could have been any score! Goal-line technology was required to see if the ball crossed the line with George following up, (the officials decided it hadn't) we hit the post and their 'keeper made some fine saves. Sam and Christian looked dangerous up front and it was Christian who got our only goal. Conor, also making his debut, looked secure at the back and Chong played the 'David Luiz' role, bringing the ball out confidently from defence. Ben bravely battled through an injury to complete the game which we lost. With chances from both teams, the 5-1 score line flattered the opposition.

Football



St Gregs away—Thursday 17 November

On Thursday 17th November, we hosted an 'A' and a 'B' team game against St Gregory's School. The 'B' team started exceptionally well with goals from Sam and Christian capping a fine half. Unfortunately, we could not continue this in the second half as the opposition pulled one back before equalising late on to snatch a 2-2 draw. However, it is another fixture where the 'B' team were unbeaten.

The 'A' team knew what they were up against with tough opposition against St Gregory's. Having lost to them narrowly away and in The Albert Dix Tournament (when we were chasing the game) they were certainly fired up! The team started brightly with Fergus going close early on before a lovely lofted finish putting us up one up. St Gregory's came back at us and piled on the pressure and following a corner, they managed to get their head to it first as it left Thomas stranded. 1-1.

This time though, our heads did not drop and we closed the opposition down, forced them to make mistakes and it was from one of these errors Fergus neatly finished to put us 2-1 up. We went into the break leading thanks to a fantastic point blank save from Thomas when a goal looked the only outcome. After half-time, St Gregory's made changes and continued to pile on the pressure. Our defence of Jo and George worked extremely well together and kept them at bay until a cross from the right was slotted home making it all square.

Isaac was keen to track back in midfield and used the ball effectively when attacking. Una showed some moments of magic, including a wonderful turn in the centre circle which nearly led to an opening and it was Una who came close after rounding the keeper but could not slot the ball home. She didn't have to wait long for another chance as she wrestled the ball off their defender, following a goal-kick, took a couple of touches before chipping the ball over the despairing goalie to put us 3-2 up. Ben looked dangerous on the left and put in his fair share of tackles as St Gregory's went in search of the equaliser for the third time. They looked destined to grab it until Ben from absolutely nowhere threw himself in front of the ball, saving a near certain goal with just minutes remaining; a tackle worthy of all 3 points. A fantastic performance by all!

Unfortunately our last match of the season against Richard Pates' was cancelled due to the inclement weather.

Netball

On Tuesday, 13th December, the CKJS Netball team faced strong competition from their rivals from St Gregory's in a home match.



The team consisted of: Charlotte T, Florence MB, Isobel H, Daisy G, Alysha H, Isobel J and Grace C.

The game was played with high 5 rules, which means every 6 minutes the team would swap positions. As well as the standard netball positions, there is also a time-keeper and a scorer.

Even though we missed quite a few goals, we persevered throughout the match and didn't give up. In the 3rd quarter St Gregor's scored a goal to bring the score to 6-1. In the last quarter we scored two more goals making the final score 8-1!! We can't wait until our next match.

Report by Charlotte T and Florence MB