

Ickford News

Last Thursday, a team of children from Key Stage 1 took part in the first sports competition of the New Year, a Multi-Skills event requiring a variety of techniques and a great deal of focus.

The infant competitions are always well attended and in our Sports Partnership Area the majority schools have greater numbers on role and a larger pool of competitors to choose from. Nevertheless, I am not sure I envy this as with rules limiting numbers in each team, selection is always difficult particularly with the younger children and it took quite a while and several practice sessions before I was able to finally decide on the team.

As expected, the competition was strong and the atmosphere intense as each team completed the events that tested their co-ordination, agility, throwing, jumping, stamina and ability to think clearly when under pressure. The children have to contend with a lot of noise and distraction during the events so being able to remain focused is key to a good performance and the stand out attribute of our captain Anna Kerry who led from the front.

When all of the events were completed we had to wait patiently as scores were added and checked before enduring the stomach churning announcement of the placings in reverse order. Having won this particular competition five times in the past six years (second last year) we have become the team to beat and the competition between our local schools, Brill and Long Crendon creates a palpable tension!

To see the each child's face as they sat in the team line listening when the places were announced was a delight. Their smiles grew very wide when they realised that they had made the top four, wider still when local rivals came 4th and widest when 2nd place was announced and they realised they had won!

Next Saturday we have several children entered for a Cross Country meeting at Wendover and I am hoping we can give a good show and possibly pick up some individual medals. The following week, it is the Year 5 Badminton event and winning the Area competition will give us the opportunity to get into the Regional Finals. We shall be practising!

Have a good weekend,

Mr Ronane

Ickford News from the office

Dates for your diary...

15 th January 8.45am	Student Council Meeting
20 th January	KS2 Cross Country
30 th January 7pm	Y5&6 Residential – Parents Meeting
6 th February	Parents Evening
8 th February	Parents Evening
9 th February 5-6.30pm	School Disco
12 th -16 th February	Half Term
5 th -9 th March	Y5&6 Residential

School Lottery

Last week's lucky lottery winner for the second time was Tamsin Wood.

If you would like the chance to win, and support the school, please click on the link below and get signed up!

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/ickford-school>

PE Kits

Please can you ensure that your child's **full** PE kit is the correct size, clean and in school at all times.

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