



**PE Newsletter** 10th-14th October

## Year 7

### Cross Country



1 - Well done to **Euan Mercer** and **Finley Lambon** on qualifying for the next round of the cross country after they both ran in the top 50 in this week's Suffolk Cross Country competition.

## YEAR 8

### Year 8 Boys Football



2 - Stowmarket welcomed Ixworth and Stowupland to the friendly festival where Stowmarket picked a completely different team to last fixture allowing for equal and extra opportunities but also shows the strength in depth Stowmarket has to offer!

Stowmarket started the festival by playing Stowupland. Stowmarket unfortunately lost out 3-0 to a good Stowupland team but performances such as **Oliver Deal** to highlight for some tremendous saves in the first half. Stowupland then played Ixworth and Stowupland ran out 1-0 winners in a tight match which was decided in the dying seconds where Stowupland were awarded a penalty which was neatly converted.

The best was most certainly saved to last in what can only be described as an absolute thriller between Stowmarket and Ixworth. With the whole game being end to end, Stowmarket took the lead in the first half with a fantastic football goal involving passing from the back and some good work and link up from **Harry Buckle** and **Alfie Hammond** who passed to **Harry Older** to lay **Archie Prior** in for the very nice bottom corner finish. The celebrations equally matched the greatness of the goal. Right on half time Ixworth equalised in what can be described as a 25-yard wonder strike into the top corner where Harry-Rose made a brilliant stop but unfortunately carried onto the post and in. **Harry Rose** also made some brilliant saves in the first half!

Second half and Stowmarket began to press for a winner, but it was Ixworth who scored the winner with 10 minutes to go with another brilliant 20-yard strike into the corner leaving the keeper no chance of saving. Stowmarket pushed for a late equaliser but despite the effort, Stowmarket couldn't find that goal they deserved. A fantastic game and a fantastic tournament. Although Stowmarket lost both games, football was the real winner, and the lads absolutely loved it and their enthusiasm for playing the game is something to be admired!

## Year 9

### Year 9 Boys Football



3 - The U14 boys remain unbeaten after defeating Sybil Andrews 4-1 this week. It was an even first half with **Tuco Gayle** putting us ahead after 10 minutes. Sybil equalised from a corner just before the break. A change of system at half time, to a 3-5-2, gave us more control of the midfield in the second half. Jack soon poked home from close range after good work by **Archie Pickett** to restore the lead. **Archie Pickett** then capitalised on a mistake in the Sybil defence to make it 3-1. **Albie Blanchard** completed the scoring from the penalty spot with the final kick of the game. A good all-round team performance. Man of the match was **Finlay Craddock** who put in a strong display at the back.

### Year 9 A Netball



4 - On Wednesday this week the year 9 netball team competed in the West Suffolk Tournament where they had a chance to secure themselves a spot in the county finals, alongside our year 11 team.



*With 12 teams entering this age group, they had their work cut out! They faced Culford, TGS, Breckland, County Upper and Newmarket in their group stage. The girls showed some excellent team play which resulted in them beating Newmarket, TGS and Breckland quite convincingly. A thriller of a game against county saw the score tied until the last 10 seconds of the game where **Faye Parker** converted to win her team that game too. After sustaining a few injuries they just came short to Culford meaning they came second in their group.*

*Into the semi finals they faced the overall winners, Great Finborough. Some good team spirit was shown but Finborough came out winners sending us into the 3rd/4th play offs. With a county final spot up for grabs in this game the girls went out hard against Mildenhall. After 6 games of netball and no subs, they continued to give it their all and their hard work paid off as they won 6-0 and secured themselves a spot in the county finals on Saturday 19th November.*

*Standout performances were shown from co-captains **Jasmine Randell** and **Eve Caldwell**. **Clara Owen-Stiff** also had a great tournament as goal shooter.*

## Cross Country

This week we had three students in year 9 that qualified for the next round of the cross country. Well done to **Harry Thorpe**, **Chris Howell** and **Jess Staines**.





## Year 9 B Netball



5 - The girls went to Sybil this week for their area tournament. The first game against the home side was a tough start and despite fantastic defence from **Naomi Selby** and **Bella Thomas**, the girls couldn't match Sybils quick play and had their first loss. The second game against Mildenhall saw more attacking play and some fantastic work from **Fiona Jones** and **Brooke**

*Godfrey to get the ball down to our end. The last two games against Ixworth and St Benedicts saw the girls take away the wins with fantastic, confident play and great shooting from **Erin Hurst-Cotton** and **Joanna Vince**. Fantastic effort all round ladies, well done!*

## YEAR 10

### Cross Country

Well done to **Archie Underwood** who qualified for the next round of the cross country after running a fantastic race on Thursday.





## Year 10 A Netball



6 - The year 10 netball team also went to the West Suffolk netball tournament on Wednesday. There is no county finals for this age group so the girls used this as a good building block for their tournament next year. The girls were nervous as they suffered a big blow in the week after **Gracie Lucas** sustained a serious injury and was unable to play (get well soon Gracie). This saw **Emily-Jane Williams** come into the squad, who did a fabulous job as always.

The girls faced a number of schools including: Finborough, Newmarket, Thurston and KEGS. Like the year 9's, they did well in the group stages, beating Finborough, Newmarket and Thurston. However, with on-form **Chloe Mayhew** sustaining an injury the girls had to play KEGS with a player down, which resulted in them losing that game. The girls came 2nd in their group which meant they faced Culford in the semi-finals. This game resulted in a draw and a sudden-death situation! Unfortunately the girls



*conceded early meaning they went into the 3rd/4th play offs. They faced TGS in the final game and dominated, which resulted in a well deserved win and a bronze medal.*

*Well done to the players of the tournament, **Harriet Croft** and **Georgia Lodge** who were outstanding in their shooting roles all day. Thankyou as well to **Kacie Crowfoot** who umpired the whole tournament and did a fine job.*

## Year 10 Boys Football



*7 - The year 10 football team faced Stowupland in the county cup earlier this week. They started the game brightly with the two **Archies** linking up for a well worked goal to put us one nil up. **Zack Newland** had a good game in the middle of the pitch, putting some great tackles in. The team fatigued in the second half leaving some gaps in the defence which despite some great saves from year 9 **Chris Howell** meant we dropped out of the county cup.*

## Year 11

### Cross Country

Well done **Grace Davis** who ran a fantastic race at the cross country on Thursday. She came in 13th place and has qualified for the next round.



## All Years - Cross Country



*8 - On Thursday 30 students across all year groups attended the annual Suffolk Schools Cross Country event. It was great to see some new faces! Congratulations to all the students who qualified in the top 50 who were named above.*

## Fixtures and extra clubs next week:

### Monday 17th October:

- Year 11 Boys Football Away @ Sudbury (3:10pm- 6:00pm) *T. West*

### Tuesday 18th October:

- Year 11 Girls Football Away @ Thurston (3:10pm-5:15pm) *J.Howland*
- Year 7 Boys Football Away @ Thurston (3:10pm- 6:00pm) *T. West*

### Wednesday 19th October:

- Year 9 Boys Football Away @ Thurston (3:10pm-5:30pm) *T. West*

### Thursday 20th October:

- Year 8 (A) Netball Away @ Thurston (3:10pm-5:30) *J.Howland*
- Year 9 (A) Netball Away @ Thurston (3:10pm-5:30) *J.Howland*