

PE Newsletter 22nd-26th Sept

## Year 9

## Year 9 boys football



Year 9 Boys Football Match Report – Stowmarket vs Stowupland

## Monday 22nd September – County Cup (First Round)

The Year 9 boys' football team delivered an impressive performance on Monday as they faced local rivals Stowupland in the first round of the County Cup. From the first whistle, Stowmarket started brightly, displaying excellent teamwork and playing some attractive football.

Jack Miller opened the scoring with a confident finish, setting the tone for the match. The momentum continued as Harry Green added a second goal shortly after with a composed strike. Before the half-time whistle, Jack Miller struck again, securing his brace and giving Stowmarket a well-deserved 3–0 lead going into the break.

In the second half, Stowupland came out with renewed energy, putting the Stowmarket defence under increased pressure. Despite this, the boys remained organised and disciplined at the back, with some crucial tackles and clearances helping to preserve the clean sheet. Stowmarket continued to look dangerous on the counter-attack, and their efforts were rewarded when Jak Convey added a fourth with a well-taken finish to seal the victory.

The match finished 4–0, meaning Stowmarket progress confidently into the second round of the County Cup. It was a strong all-round team performance, with excellent individual contributions and a real sense of determination throughout the squad.

## Year 9 girls football

The girls had the first round of the county cup at Stowupland this week. Up against a side that has historically been tricky having led to penalties last year! The girls got off to a great start dominating the first half and keeping most of the possession. Stowupland's key players were marked hard and could not break through the solid defence of Mollie and Leonora, who both had an outstanding game. Matilda did brilliantly in goal first half, confidently clearing the ball when needed and protecting the goal on the corner balls. Ellie scored the first goal of the game from the right hand side which boosted the girls spirits and confidence. Isla had her first taste of football for the school and did brilliantly keeping up with play and tracking the ball. Another goal followed shortly from Mylee, with a great feed from Bea allowing her space to run around the defenders and score. The last goal of the half came from Mylea's strong strike following a lovely run down the middle. In the second half, Stowupland came back stronger, but Dulcie and Lillie showed great defence stopping the runs from some very quick and skilful wingers. Year 8 Ruby had appeared on the field and agreed to step up into goal last minute, allowing Matilda and Lylah to play on pitch, making our squad 11 a side for the first time. A few more shots on target for Mylee and Mylea but saved by Stowupland's new goalkeeper in the second half saw them working harder for the goals. With great support from each other, the girls worked brilliantly passing the ball about as a team and keeping the opposition on their toes. Mylea got the last goal of the game, with a great tap in from the back post. A strong 4-0 win, through to the next round and great game for all, well done girls!

# **Sports Leaders**

Thank you to our excellent sports leaders below who helped run the primary cross country on Tuesday this week.

- Mylee Thompson
- Keri Nauvunivuni
- Lydia Palmer
- Olivia Robinson
- Oliver Bird
- Bailey Ling
- Caleb Green
- Matilda Aldous

## Year 10

# Year 10 Netball



On Tuesday evening year 10 girls netball team attended their first league tournament of the year. Here they faced St Benedicts, County upper and Thomas Gainsborough. Girls came out with one win one drawer and one loss, Showing excellent resilience throughout and never giving up despite the scoreline. The game of the day was against TGS Where they came from 5-1 down to Draw 5-1in the last moment of the game. The girls looked to build in their performance in their next tournament in a few weeks time. Well done to Maddi Smith who made her day for the team.

## Year 11

# Year 11 Boys Football



## **Year 11 West Suffolk Football Cup – Group Stage Report**

**Conditions:** Heavy rain and very wet pitches made for a challenging set of fixtures, but the Stowmarket Year 11 team rose to the occasion with determination and quality football.

#### Game 1: Thurston vs Stowmarket – 0-2 Win

Stowmarket opened their group campaign against Thurston in tough weather conditions. Jasper Piper gave Stowmarket an early lead, taking advantage of a fast start. Goalkeeper Jimmy Johnson made several key saves to preserve the lead through a close first half.

In the second half, the team defended solidly and continued to press forward. The game was sealed by a wonder goal from long range by Jasper, securing a 2–0 win.

## Game 2: Stowmarket vs Stowupland - 1-1 Draw

The second fixture was a highly anticipated local derby against Stowupland. Once again, Jasper Piper gave Stowmarket the lead, finishing off a strong spell of pressure.

Despite dominating the game and creating several chances, the team couldn't extend their lead. In the dying moments, a failure to clear the ball allowed Stowupland to score with their only shot of the match – the final kick – leaving the game frustratingly level at 1–1.

#### Game 3: Stowmarket vs Ixworth - 6-1 Win

In a must-win final group game, Stowmarket delivered a commanding performance from the first whistle. Superb link-up play between Jasper Piper and Robbie Scopes set the tone, with the team cruising to a 3–0 lead at half-time (2 goals for Jasper, 1 for Robbie).

The second half continued in the same fashion. Jasper completed his hat-trick, Oscar King added a spectacular long-range strike, and Oliver Stubberfield calmly slotted home a penalty after a clear handball. Ixworth managed a late consolation, but the match ended 6–1 in emphatic fashion.

## **Group Stage Summary**

- Game 1: Win vs Thurston (2–0)
- Game 2: Draw vs Stowupland (1–1)
- Game 3: Win vs Ixworth (6–1)

## Through to the West Suffolk Semi-Finals!

A great effort from the whole squad, with standout performances from Jasper Piper, Jimmy Johnson, Oscar King, Ryan Seagar and Robbie Scopes. The team showed grit, quality, and teamwork across all three matches.

#### **Fixtures Next Week:**

## Tuesday 30th Sept-

- Sports Leaders @ SHS (3:10-5:30pm) W.Hopkin-Jones
- Year 7/8 girls football trials @ SHS Field (3:10pm-4:10pm) J.Howland

## Wednesday 1st Oct:

Year 10 boys football @ Thurston (3:10-5:30pm) T.West

We are sorry to those that have signed up for the u14 swimming. This has been postponed.

#### Thursday 2nd Oct:

Year 9 Netball @ KEGS (3:10pm-5:30pm) J.Howland