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HIGHLIGHTS in this issue are County Netball title for King's..... plus exceptional Trampoline results.

BASKETBALL

Wednesday 4 November

v Ellesmere Port Catholic High School

The match went as expected with the Champions of England from the Elite competition making the King's development competition team appear amateurish.

The statistics show the facts but not the team's effort. The opposition had more players and ruthlessly took advantage of a weakened King's in the final quarter who only had five men available to play through injury and foul trouble.

Scores: Period 1 Kings 0 EPCHS 32; Period 2 Kings 2 EPCHS 27; Period 3 Kings 12 EPCHS 45; Period 4 Kings 5 EPCHS 51 Final score Kings 19 EPCHS 155. EPCHS played a full court press to start with and then relaxed. This was the pattern of play throughout the game so that whenever the King's team developed a strategy to score, EPCHS replied with a full court press that denied King's an inbound pass and created a consequent turnover..

All of the King's team played well but despite the loss of the game it was not without humour when T J Hardman gave an impromptu break dance routine with severe cramp that lead to his withdrawal from the game. J Plowright turned an ankle and was immobilised and H Sinclair Smith fouled out early on. This removed three of the team's best players leaving five and two of those in their first ever game.

This game was played in an excellent spirit and the team has a chance against some of the other development teams in the competition.

RUGBY

Saturday 7 November

v Wirral Grammar School

1stXV	won	55-0
2ndXV	won	44-0
U16	won	21-5
U15A	lost	10-12
U15B	won	15-8
U14A	won	17-14
U14B	lost	0-31
U13A	lost	14-17
U12A	won	44-0
U12B	won	31-5

Generally a positive set of results this week. Notable

victories for the 1stXV, 2ndXV and U12A and B. Other victories for U16, U15B and U14A by close margins. U15A and U13A both lost by less than a score and if lady luck had been present, it may have been a different story.

Saturday 14 November



v Trent College

1stXV	won	34-3
2ndXV	won	61-0
U16	won	44-7
U15A	lost	10-48
U14A	won	48-0
U14B	won	53-0
U13A	lost	7-12
U13B	lost	0-7



v Giggleswick

U16B	lost	0-34
U12B	won	17-12

Six out of ten wins this week for King's. Despite the torrential downpours there were surprisingly few mistakes in both the 1st and 2ndXV fixtures. The away side were beaten convincingly by two strong forward packs and well organised back divisions, both coaches remarked on the quality of the rugby on show, taking into account the horrendous conditions.

The U16B were unfortunately on the receiving end of a quality display by Giggleswick, however the U12B's match secured a close victory 17-12 and showed great tenacity in defence.

Saturday 21 November

v Arnold

1stXV	won	10-0
2ndXV	won	48-0
U16	won	35-5
U14A	won	59-0
U13A	won	29-5
U12A	won	41-0

An emphatic weekend for rugby at King's this week. Arnold school were 'whitewashed' as King's were relentless in both attack and defence. From six matches King's scored 221 points and conceded only 10 points in total. The 1stXV managed a 10-0 victory in a scrappy mistake strewn affair and the U13 side, who have had a challenging start to the season, had a comfortable win 29-5. Hopefully these results will give the boys confidence moving forward into the second half of the season.

Saturday 28 November

v Adams Grammar School

1stXV	won	32-10
2ndXV	won	18-17
U16	won	25-0
U15A	won	10-5
U15B	draw	5-5
U14A	won	14-5
U14B	lost	17-35
U13A	lost	19-24
U13B	lost	12-17
U12A	won	32-7
U12B	won	10-0

The results from this Saturday make positive reading after the emphatic week last week. King's managed to continue their momentum versus Adams this week, with seven from eleven matches going in our favour with one draw and only three losses. The majority of matches this weekend were dominated by the forwards as conditions did not lend themselves to 'barbarian' style rugby. The 1stXV, U16 and 12A sides won convincingly by 32-10, 25-0 and 32-7 respectively. The 2nd XV won narrowly by one point 18-17, after a physical encounter that boiled over at times.

Across the board there were some close results which were a testament to Adams' tenacity and their 'never lay down' attitude.

Well done.

NETBALL

Wednesday 14 October

v Eaton Bank

Y7A	won	18-6
Y7B	won	13-0
Y8	won	11-7
Y9	won	17-4

Y10	won	18-9
Seniors	won	23-17

Once again the girls played some fabulous netball with wins all round.

Saturday 21 November

County Netball Tournament

Sharpshooters from the King's School's netball team have won the county netball title for the first time in a quarter of a century.



The talented squad beat Christleton 11 - 7 in the semi final before overcoming Sir John Deane's 12 - 5 with a fluid and clinical display.

King's has never won the under-19 title and it was back in 1984 that their predecessors on the Fence Avenue site, Macclesfield High School, won the coveted title.

Coach Collette Buckley put their success down to "team spirit, talent and hard-work." The girls will shortly be flying off to La Manga to test themselves against the cream of young Spanish teams.

Pictured with captain Tor French are on the back row: Emma Butterworth, Laura Powell, Yasmin Lavassani, Anna Beesley, Alex Pearce and Vicky Mobbs. On the front row are: Helena Loynes, Meli Shannon, Hannah Murphy and Felicity Kimber.

Saturday 7 November

National Schools Netball Tournament

County Round

v Whitby	won	6-4
v Wilmslow	lost	3-4
v Alsager	lost	1-6
v Bishop Heber	won	3-2
v Ellesmere Port	won	7-2

We finished a close third in our group and didn't qualify but it was a great day of high quality netball and the girls produced some great work.

National Schools Competition

Cheshire Round

U19 and U16

The U19 and U16 Netball Squads took part in the Cheshire round at Ellesmere Port.

The U19 team should have been favourites going into the competition, but drew in a careless encounter with Whitby, who seemed to want the ball more than us. Our fate was sealed when we were beaten by Sir John Deanes, the team we had beaten in the final of the County Tournament. This meant we came third overall with only two teams qualifying for the next round.

The U16 squad finished fifth in a group of six, however the overall placing didn't show a fair representation of a good day of competitive netball. The group was very close in that King's drew two matches and lost two by one goal.

Saturday 21 November

v QEGS

U15	won	22-13
U14	drew	17-17
U13	won	20-11
U12	won	34-12

Another great morning of competitive netball and we even managed to avoid the wind and rain. Well done to all the girls.

U16 County Tournament

The U16 squad were unbeaten in the group stages and went on to play Lymm in the semi's who they beat 8-7 in extra time. They then met an unbeaten Wilmslow team and despite a great attempt were a little jaded after the semi and were unable to overcome their athletic ability and strength, losing 3-7.

If you get the opportunity go to www.cheshirenetball.co.uk and look on the school pages where King's dominate the news.

Cheadle Hulme, as well as closer affairs with Calday Grange and Newcastle under Lyme. These two games went right down to the last minute and both finished in 3-2 victories, with Calday Grange's game decided by the final touch of the game. Ryan Morris and James Spencer made a good combination upfront both scoring a couple of goals each.

In the end, the great cup run of one round ended when the team played Birkenhead; the future finalists. Despite Alex Andrews' good performance as goalkeeper the game resulted in a 6-2 defeat but the players kept their belief and won the next game 1-0 against Sandbach, which was largely down to Joe Seddon and Matt Parris' attacking play down the wings which resulted in a well worked goal. The team finished strongly with a 5-2 victory over Newcastle, with Mike Barratt and Jack Purdham getting their names on the score sheet. However, not all the credit goes to goal scorers with Chris Fray putting in consistent performances for the team and he became a key part to the defence.

Overall it was a successful season for the U16 team with five victories, one draw and two losses which comes down to the effort and determination shown by the players throughout.

Girls' Hockey

Saturday 7 November

U16 County Hockey Tournament

v Tytherington	won	1-0
v Wilmslow	lost	0-2
v Grange	drew	1-1
v Weaverham	drew	2-2

King's finished 2nd overall.

It was a very early start, 8.30am at Weaverham, but the team were in good spirits and they played really well. Thanks to Holly Smith and Maddie Coutts from Year 10 who added strength to the team and made a great contribution.



Saturday 21 November

v Rydal Penrhos

U15/U14	drew	1-1
U14/U13	lost	0-3

The teams played in torrential rain but the all-weather pitch stood up very well to the wet conditions.

A mixed U15/U14 team played Rydal U15 team and drew 1-1. The score doesn't reflect the fact that King's

HOCKEY

Boys' Hockey

U16s Season Report

The U16 side began the season with tough opposition against Merchant Taylors'. The game was even and well fought by both sides but in the end the fairest result came with a 1-1

draw, with solid performances coming from Tom Bridge and an important goal by John Armitage.



The team then pulled together some very impressive results with a convincing 8-1 victory over

dominated the game and had many opportunities to score but unfortunately couldn't quite find the goal.

A mixed U14/U13 team played Rydal U14/U13 but sadly lost 0-3.

Well done to all the girls who played in difficult conditions and remained determined throughout the whole game.

TRAMPOLINE

King's Trampolinists had a very successful weekend and I am so proud of all that took part! I am pleased to announce exceptional results and outstanding performances by all. Nine King's teams have qualified to the North of Britain Championships in Hull on 17 January 2010. I would like to thank Steve Carpenter who competition marshalled all day.

Results:

Under 11 Novice girls **1st**- Erica Jones, Ellie Holder, Tash Salem, Helen Moores

Under 11 Novice Boys **1st**- Harry Pinches, Finlay Calder, Harry Collette, Harry Wallace

Under 11 Elite Girls **1st**- Fiona Cornish, Charlotte Horne, Antonia Bianchi, Olivia Moores

Under 11 elite boys **1st**- Ben Lynch, Sammy Chong, Alex Fray

Under 13 girls Elite **1st**- Beth Burrows, Katharine Fray, Hannah Barker, Emily Robinson

Under 13 boys Elite **1st**- Dan Hinchcliffe, Jon Pinches, Tom Eastgate

Under 13 girls novice **1st**- Jessie Milton- Edwards, Eleanor Bird, Sophia Bird, Rosie McBrinn

Under 15 girls elite **1st**- Katie Cornish, Sophie Branley, Katie Mellor, Hattie Lasman

Under 15 Girls novice **2nd**- Laura Venables, Alix Davies, Emily Johnston, Frankie Hughes

Under 19 girls elite **4th**- Chloe Venables, Charlotte Attenborough, Eilidh Cornish

Individual results:

Beth Burrows under 13 elite **1st**

Harry Pinches under 11 novice **1st**

Katie Cornish under 15 elite **1st**

Dan Hinchcliffe under 13 elite boys **2nd**

Finlay Calder under 11 novice boys **3rd**

Jessie Milton- Edwards under 13 novice girls **3rd**

Laura Venables under 15 novice girls **3rd**

In summary 8 teams took the Northwest Champion title and 3 individuals Beth, Harry and Katie took North West individual Champion titles in their categories.

CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday 14 November

ESAA Regional Finals Cross Country Schools Cup

The girls ran very well in extremely wet and muddy conditions. Sadly two of our strong runners were unable to run due to other sporting commitments but the girls that did represent Kings put in a fantastic effort in very difficult conditions. Well done to everyone. Overall the team came 7th with individuals finishing in

the following positions:

Eleanor Bird (Y 7) - 12th

Sophia Bird (Y 7) - 28th

Sophie Quinn (yr 8) - 33rd

Tabitha Green (yr 8) - 44th

Emily Robinson (yr7) - dnf - injured

Congratulations to the boys' team though who came 3rd and proceed to the National Finals in Newquay.

JUNIOR SPORT

Friday, 16th October

Under 11 Rugby v St Ambrose College (a)

Lost 15-10

In a very closely fought contest King's Under 11's were narrowly defeated by 3 tries to 2. Tries were scored by scrum-half Sam Brindle and fly-half Finlay Calder.

Thursday, 5th November

Under 10 Football v The Grange School (a)

A Team Lost 4-1 (Cameron Mackinnon)

B Team Lost 7-5 (William Peakman 3, Max Gillson, George Barker)

Friday, 6th November

Rugby v Merchant Taylor's, Crosby (h)

Under 10's Lost 35-15

Under 11's Lost 42-12

Wednesday, 11th November

Under 11 Football (AJIS Cup 1st Round)

v King Edward & Queen Mary's, Lytham (a)

Won 4-3

(A.Denny 2, T.Spencer-Pickup, D.Williams)

Thursday, 12th November

Under 10 Football v Black Firs Primary (h)

A Team Won 3-0

B Team Won 3-0

Friday 20th November

Under 11 Rugby v Birkenhead Prep (h) AJIS Cup

Quarter-Final

Drew 21-21 A.E.T.

King's went 14-0 ahead in the first half, with both tries coming from Finlay Calder. Birkenhead then fought back and led 21-14 going into the closing minutes. With 2 minutes remaining full-back William Thomson scored to take the match into extra-time. However, this proved to be scoreless and the tie will now be settled in a replay at Birkenhead.

Friday 27th November

Under 11 Rugby v Altrincham Prep School (h)

Won 33-7

(Tries - Jack Hudson 2, Sam Brindle 2, Finlay Calder)

Thursday 26th November

Under 10 Football v Stockport Grammar (a)

A Team Lost 3-0

B Team Lost 1-0

C Team Lost 1-0

