



Much Woolton Catholic Primary School Sporting Achievement Report 2023-2024



We have had a fantastic year! We have participated in a record number of competitions and festivals and had many successes. We actively promote the values of the School Games in every PE lesson and sporting competition and we are regularly complimented on the determination, dedication and resilience our children demonstrate when representing our school.

Cross Country

This year we have had an influx of new runners from lower Key stage 2 running for the first time, with the older seasoned runners leading the way to a successful year. The children have trained hard, giving 100% and this has shown in their placement in the results table at each race, improving every time. The provision in school has increased thanks to the extra running club facilitated by Mr Morris which has enabled more training and stamina development in our runners. 3 of our children due to their excellent results were invited to be part of the Liverpool Primary Schools representative team, which is an amazing achievement. Overall this year we have done very well in all competitions, with runners finishing every week in the top 10 and most finishing in the top 30. The boys team finished 4th and the girls finished 10th overall in their league groups for the season.

Athletics

This year has been a phenomenal one for our Key Stage 2 athletics team, marked by outstanding achievements and inspiring performances from both our girl's and boy's teams.

KS2 Team Success: Our KS2 team has shown remarkable dedication and skill throughout the athletics events, competing with enthusiasm and determination across various events. From sprints and long-distance runs to jumps, our athletes have demonstrated their versatility and strength. The commitment to training and teamwork was evident in their performances, as they consistently delivered top results in each competition they entered.

Girls' Team Triumph: A standout highlight of the event was the exceptional performance of our girl's team, who finished first overall. Their success is a result of their hard work, perseverance, and strategic execution in every event. Notable achievements include dominating the sprints with several first-place finishes, excelling in the long jump, and showcasing impressive coordination in the relay races. The girl's' team displayed outstanding sportsmanship and camaraderie, which were key factors in their triumph. Their victory is a source of immense pride for our school and sets a benchmark for future teams.



Boys' Team Achievement: Our boy's' team also had an impressive season, finishing as runners-up in a highly competitive field. Their journey was marked by consistent performances and notable victories in several events. The boys excelled in the relay races, demonstrating endurance and strategy, while also achieving excellent results in the high jump and long jump. Their dedication to training and their ability to support and motivate each other played a significant role in their success. Finishing as runners-up is a commendable achievement and highlights the depth of talent within our school.

Summary: The 2023/24 athletics season has been a historic one for our KS2 team. The girls first-place finish and the boys runner-up position are testament to the hard work, talent, and teamwork of our young athletes. These achievements have not only brought pride to our school but also inspired the entire student body to pursue their athletic aspirations with dedication and enthusiasm. We look forward to building on this success and continuing to nurture the athletic potential within our school.

Gymnastics

We are thrilled to announce the incredible success of our Year 4 gymnastics team! Not only did they win the LSSP event, but they also progressed to the Merseyside Games, where they delivered outstanding performances and secured second place across the entire county. This remarkable achievement reflects their hard work, dedication, and skill. A special mention goes to our two Year 6 girls, who played a crucial role in creating the performance and coaching the Year 4 team throughout both events. Their guidance and support were invaluable to the team's success. Congratulations to everyone involved!

Our KS1 students had a wonderful time at this year's gymnastics event. They learned a variety of new skills, improving their balance, coordination, and flexibility. The event was also filled with fun as they played new gymnastics games, which helped them practice their techniques in an enjoyable way. It was great to see the students enthusiastic and engaged, embracing the challenges and having fun while doing so. We're proud of their progress and excited to see how they continue to develop their gymnastics skills.



Football

The best football season yet. Three League titles, one World cup, one LSFA cup, one Premier League tournament with Everton and all year groups reaching the City finals at the Liverpool Academy with Year 1 & 2 walking away winners. A season that will live long in the memory. Over 90 boys and girls have represented the boys or girls school football team at least once this season. The Boys football team managed to complete a league double retaining the KMC league once again and winning the LSFA league for the first time since 2018. The Girls football team also completed a cup double winning both the LSFA league as well as the Y5 LSFA cup for a second season, the first girls league and cup double in the history of the school. More success came with the Year 5 & 6 Boys team winning the LSSP World Cup at the start of the school year, a tournament which includes all schools across Liverpool. History was also made when every year group had managed to qualify for the City Finals at the Liverpool Academy, the first time a school has managed to do this. Our future is bright with our Year 1 and 2 boys football teams winning their respected titles going through the whole tournaments both undefeated. A season that will never be forgotten nor the players who have achieved this success.

Netball

It has been a very successful year for both the Y6 and Y5 Netball Club. 43 girls attended the clubs throughout the year. Both year groups participated in a weekly tournament held at Liverpool College. The Y6 team won their respective league and the Y5 team finished second in theirs. We also participated in the High 5 Netball Competition. We won our heat – unbeaten in 6 games, scoring 41 goals and conceding 1. We played in the City Finals, finishing third. This enabled us to participate in the Merseyside County Netball Finals at Wavertree Tennis Centre. We played schools from Knowsley, St. Helens, Sefton, Wirral and Liverpool. We finished third. The team were very competitive and demonstrated true sportsmanship. Well done to all the children involved in Netball.

Dance

This year Much Woolton has continued to offer the children a range of opportunities in dance. Clubs for both KS1 & KS2 have been offered exposing the children to a range of dance styles and techniques. KS1 took part in the LSSP dance festival and blew everyone away with their professionalism and skill at such a young age. KS2 again took part in the LSSP Summer Dance Competition placing 4th. The children performed wonderfully and were so supportive of all the schools participating. Finally, Much Woolton were invited to attend the LEAP Dance Festival. A small group of children travelled to perform with primary/secondary schools & colleges from



around the city. This was a precessional show and the children were commended by the organisers for their hard work and outstanding performance skills. I can't wait for the children to continue to be exposed to the world of performing arts and dance in the future.

Skiing

30 Much Woolton children took part in the Ski course in Bormio in Italy during March 2024. Our adventure to Italy focused on providing our children with an enriching and exciting skiing experience. The children participated in various ski activities and lessons tailored to their skill levels. Our Beginners mastered the 'pizza slice' to control their speed and by the end of the week were able to ride a chairlift and tackle blue runs in a fantastic snake formation. For some of our children it was their second time skiing and the children were able to tackle blue, red and short black runs the resort had to offer. The ability of the ski group was tremendous showing advanced speed control and carving techniques even skiing through trees. The primary objectives were to enhance skiing abilities for all the children, promote teamwork, and ensure everyone had fun in a safe environment. These objectives were definitely achieved. The ski trip was a tremendous success, with the children gaining not only skiing skills but also valuable life lessons in teamwork, resilience, and confidence. We look forward to organising more such trips in the future to provide our children with opportunities for personal and athletic growth. Surrounded by the magnificent mountains, all of the children made amazing memories for the rest of their lives, skiing from 3000m and should be proud of their achievements.

Sports Hall Athletics

We are thrilled to share the success of our Year 3/4 sports hall athletics team this year! Their hard work and dedication paid off as they qualified for the city finals, competing against some of the best teams around. Although we didn't win the championship, our team showed incredible effort and sportsmanship. We are so proud of what they achieved and the experience they gained along the way. Well done, everyone! We are incredibly proud of our Year 5/6 sports hall athletics team for their outstanding achievements this year! Their dedication and hard work led them to qualify for the city finals, where they performed brilliantly. Their success didn't stop there—they went on to compete in the Merseyside Games, representing our school against top teams from across the county. The team finished in an impressive 7th position, showcasing their talent and determination. Congratulations to all the athletes for their fantastic effort and sportsmanship!



KS1 Matball

Our Year 2 team achieved notable success at this year's Mat Ball event, showcasing exceptional teamwork, agility, and strategic play. Their dedication to practice paid off as they navigated the challenges of the game with skill and confidence. The team demonstrated remarkable coordination and sportsmanship, securing several victories and earning praise for their dynamic performances. This achievement not only highlights their athletic abilities but also their ability to work together and support one another, making the Mat Ball event a proud and memorable experience for our school.

Swimming

Our swimming gala team made the school immensely proud this spring term with their outstanding performances against other schools. Demonstrating remarkable skill, determination, and sportsmanship, our swimmers excelled in various events, from freestyle and backstroke to relays. Their dedication to training and their unwavering team spirit were evident as they consistently achieved top finishes and personal bests. Competing fiercely and supporting each other throughout the gala, our team not only showcased their athletic prowess but made the event a truly memorable and proud moment for everyone involved.

Water Polo

This year our water polo team made the school proud with their impressive performances in the competitions against other schools making it 4 years of success. This year's team demonstrated exceptional skill, teamwork, and determination, our players excelled in both attacking and defending. A brilliant achievement for the team and hopefully have many more in the years to come.

Dodgeball

Our Year 6 dodgeball team performed admirably at the LSSP event early this year. Their skill and teamwork were evident as they competed against other schools in the city. The team put in a solid effort and showed determination throughout the event. Congratulations to all the players for their hard work and dedication. Well done, Year 6.

Our Year 4 dodgeball team recently achieved great success at their event, demonstrating excellent skills and teamwork in their matches against other schools. Their dedication and practice truly paid off, and we are extremely proud of their accomplishments.





Additionally, our Year 2 dodgeball team had a fantastic experience at their own event. They enjoyed playing competitive games against other schools, gaining valuable experience and having lots of fun in the process. It was wonderful to see our younger students engaging in sports, learning the importance of teamwork, and representing our school with such enthusiasm. Both teams have shown great spirit and sportsmanship, making us very proud.

Festivals

Sporting festivals play a crucial role in our primary school events, offering a wonderful opportunity to promote sports to children who may not be regularly involved. These festivals focus on inclusivity and fun, ensuring that all students, regardless of their skill level, can participate and enjoy the activities. By creating a relaxed and pressure-free environment, we encourage children to try new sports and develop a love for physical activity. The emphasis on enjoyment rather than competition helps to build confidence, foster teamwork, and nurture a lifelong interest in staying active. Sporting festivals are essential for developing well-rounded, healthy, and happy students.

This year we have participated in:

- New Age Kurling
- Boccia
- KS1 Football
- Highland Games
- Multi- Sports
- Goal Ball
- KS1 Gymnastics
- Dance
- Cricket
- Rugby
- Rounder

Achievement Assembly

We will culminate our fantastic year with an Achiever Assembly to celebrate our successes. We have given out hundreds of certificates! Two pupils will be awarded 'Athletes of the Year' and become the proud holders of our Much Woolton trophies!

School Games Day 2024

Another very successful School Games/Sports Days were held on our school field to which parents were invited. The children competed in their house teams with the winning team being Starr!

This year our Young Leaders led EYFS and KS1 Sports Days, and Young Leaders from Halewood Academy supported our KS2 Sports Day. Many thanks to all involved!



School Games Award 2024-2026

In recognition of our dedication to school sport we were awarded the School Games PLATINUM Mark in July 2024 for the third time in a row which we hold for 2 years!

Thank-you's!

None of the above would have been possible without the dedication of our school staff, particularly Mr. Hathaway our PE Coach, who have all given up a lot of their free time to train, deliver and support our pupils in reaching their potential.

Our thanks also go to Liverpool School Sports Partnership for their services to our school and ongoing support.

We are looking forward to an equally successful 2024-2025!

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