



POLWHELE POST

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Dear Parents

What a week of sport!

On Tuesday 19 children travelled to Westonbirt for the ISA SW Regional Cross-country event. There was a huge field of competitors and many experienced schools. In the event, every one of our children ran their hearts out and, once again, we were congratulated for being the only team still cheering on the last race – true Polwhele spirit. Seven Polwhelers qualified for the Nationals and will be travelling to Worksop to represent the South West; we are hugely proud of all the competitors and amazed by the success of our small school.

On Wednesday, the U11 netball team travelled to Teignmouth to take part in their ISA SW Regional Tournament. Having won the competition last year, we were keen to relieve the pressure and place no expectations on them. All day we were receiving updates and the excitement was increasing as the day went on. The full report is in this edition but at the end of the day, our girls had won the tournament, scored a total of 55 goals and had only 1 scored against them. Congratulations seems too small a word for this remarkable feat!

We have been delighted at the response to our 'Grow Further' campaign, advertising that we are increasing our age range up to Year 11. We are hoping that these families will attend our open Morning on 18th March, when we can show them all the opportunities we have to offer. As usual on Open Mornings, we will need all the children to be in school to be part of the event and we have always found that our best ambassadors are current parents, so if you are available to talk with potential parents, please let Fran know.

Next week the U11 football team takes to the regional arena and we wish them a wonderful tournament. Good luck to all the team! At this point I must mention Mr and Mrs Elworthy, who have inspired the children to love sport and aim high; it is such a pleasure to see the children embracing sport at every level and thoroughly enjoying each others' successes.

With national art last term, national cross-country and netball already this term, I'm excited to see what this year will bring!



Hilary Mann

Mrs Hilary Mann
Head





Lunar New Year celebrations, RNLI assembly and imaginative games in the playground.

U11 ISA SW 5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT 1st FEBRUARY 2023

Lucas (c)
Bertie (gk)
Vinnie
Arthur
Levi
Wilf
Josh H

NOTICE

Poppy Appeal – Polwhele House School is pleased to announce that you contributed magnificently to the Poppy Appeal 2022 and raised the grand total of £87.07. A big thank you came from The Royal British Legion.

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!

For the second year in a row the U11 netball team have been crowned South West ISA champions and will now progress to the national finals in March.

In what was a fantastic day, the team were undefeated in all their matches! Despite facing some much larger schools, the team played out of their skins and scored 55 goals across the day and only conceded 1!

The day started with their first match against Trinity School. They took a little time to settle but easily won the match 7-1. In their next match they came into their own, facing St Christopher's School. The whole team played fantastically against a physical side and won the match convincingly 9-0. In their third match they played Westonbirt School. They played their best netball so far and won the match 13-0. This meant they had won their group and would now face Heywood Prep from Bath. Polwhele showed no nerves whatsoever and won this semi final 11-0!

This victory secured their qualification to the National Finals. However, the team were all very determined to carry on their winning streak. In the final they faced St Michael's. Earlier in the day both Mr and Mrs Elworthy had scouted our opposition and agreed they looked quite a strong team. The girls would need to play their best netball to win the game and that they certainly did winning the final 15-0! Up until this point St Michael's had only conceded 5 goals throughout the day, winning some of their own matches 12-0, so this score really did reflect just how well the team played in the final.

We could not be prouder of the girls and we are looking forward to seeing them play at the national finals.

KEY DATES AVAILABLE ON WEDUC CALENDAR

JANUARY

- 24.01 ISA SW Cross Country - Tetbury
- 25.01 ISA SW U 11 Netball - Teignmouth

FEBRUARY

- 01.02 ISA SW U 11 Football (all day)
- 02.02 Polwhele House Festival of Literature
- 07.02 U9 Cross Country v THS & Truro Prep

- 08.02 U11 Cross Country V THS Truro Prep
- 13.02 HALF TERM
- 21.02 U9 Netball v THS away
- 22.02 U11 Football & Netball St. Joseph's away
- 25.02 Inter School Cross Country

MARCH

- 01.03 U11 Netball v Mount Kelly home
- 07.03 Parents Evening

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