

Sport and Achievement Newsletter

Sainsbury's School Games Gold Award



The Sainsbury's School Games Mark is a Government led Awards Scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Schools in England are able to assess themselves across bronze, silver and gold levels of the Mark.

Following an application from us over the summer in 2017, we are pleased to announce that we have been awarded the **Sainsbury's School Games GOLD Mark! (To improve on our Silver mark last year)**. This award reflects many things to do with our PE provision in school, including:

- The quantity of high-quality PE lessons our children receive each week;
- The amount of children participating in extra-curricular sporting activity each week;
- The support we provide for our talented young sports people and less active children;
- The number of competitive events we take part in each year.

By receiving the Gold award, it really does put us among the top schools in the country for the opportunities we provide in PE. We are very proud of this award and hope it can be used as a springboard to develop our PE teaching even more!

Karnival Cup

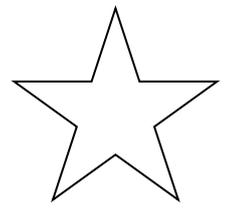
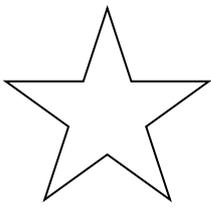
On Thursday 12th October Sycamore Academy competed at the Karnvial Cup which was held at The Forest Zone, Forest Recreation, Gregory Boulevard. The tournament was highly contested and featured over 25 schools. We finished 4th in our group but unfortunately didn't qualify for the next round. We were very impressed by the children as for many it was their first match in the school team.

Well done to Harry Goddard, Kason Marshall, Ahmad Zaitoun, Noah Ghoitom, Pierrandy Nseke Koffi, Zahout Nacer Allah, Joshua Lewis and Kedran Hanson

Football Team League and Cup

This year we aim to defend our league title in the Nottingham Schools East League. We have played Hempshill Hall Primary school but unfortunately lost 4:2 with goals from Kason Marshall and Harry Goddard. It was most of the team's first games for school and all players gave a great account for themselves, (we also had a lot of support from family and friends - thank you). We would also like to thank all of you who attended to support us.

Team: Harry Goddard, Kason Marshall, Ahmad Zaitoun, Noah Ghoitom, Pierrandy Nseke Koffi, Zahout Nacer Allah, Joshua Lewis, Oskar Konieczynski, Ali Zaitoun and Shonquae Johnson.



Field Hockey

Sycamore Academy was invited to compete in the City Field Hockey Tournament which featured 16 other schools. Sycamore Academy gave a great account for themselves as we entered two teams and finished 7th and 8th. This is impressive considering the children selected hadn't played field hockey before.

Well Done to Pierrandy Nseke Koffi, Kedran Hanson, Harry Goddard, Jayden Foreman, Brooke Clarke, Bianca Panturu, Isha Taylor-White, Wiktorina Godlewska, Ghala Mzipi and Elteja Kvaukaite.

Competitions

We have a very busy schedule after half term as we have:-

- League Football
- Year 5/6 Athletics
- Girls in Sport Festival
- Multisports Festival
- Basketball Championship
- Year 3/4 Handball Championship
- L.E.A.D Interschool events

After School Clubs

We are close to employing a Professional Dance Teacher to help KS1 and KS2. We will be putting on a club for the KS1 children (more information after half term) at price of just £1.00 - the club will run from 3.15pm - 4.15pm.

We will also be having a football development session on a Monday for years 3, 4 and 5.

In addition to this we may also be getting coaches in from Brazilian Soccer for Years 1, 2 and KickFit for years 3, 4 and 5. This will be confirmed after half term.



Yours faithfully

**Eugene Francis, Hannah Whiting and Paisley Strang
(Sports Team)**

