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Front Cover

Harry Nugent accepts the Beckwith CARE Award for the most inspirational young person across the country for the work he has done as a leader in the Beyond the Baseline programme.

See inside for story.

Return to School for Students

Tuesday 18th April 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term has certainly been packed with many activities and events. Highlights include an inspiring Science week and a thought provoking Literacy week across the Curriculum, finishing with an exciting day dressing in costume to recognise World Book Day in true Clare Mount style. Year 9 Options Evening was very well attended and hopefully all will gain their subject choices. Fund raising events such as Comic Relief, and Year 9's 'Chocolate' appeal for Forum Housing Association have kept pupils busy and focused on helping others.

Thank you to the 'Friends of Clare Mount' for organising another fabulous Mothers/ Carers Day gift shop. They raised a whopping £124! This follows on from the success of the recent car boot sale on Saturday 4th March, which raised a fantastic £241. Their efforts are very much appreciated.

This term also saw a group of year 9 and 6th form pupils enjoy a rewarding week in 'Calvert Trust' in the Lake District. They had a fantastic time! They've climbed walls and mountains and especially enjoyed 'ghyll walking'. Another group of students are currently in Greece representing Clare Mount at the 4th World School Sport Education Games. What a fantastic experience for our young people! We are really looking forward to their return next Wednesday evening and hearing all about their adventures and experiences.

We celebrated at the Youth Sports Trust Conference at the end of February, having been shortlisted as finalist in three categories: 'The Campbell Care Award; 'Youth Sport Award for Outstanding Achievement' and 'SEND school of the year'. We were 'highly commended' in the Campbell Care Award and our Head boy, Harry, won the 'Youth Sport Award'. An amazing achievement, well done to everyone and thank you to those who took the time to nominate.

At the beginning of March I attended the NAS ASC Awards Ceremony in Harrogate, where Clare Mount was finalists for the most 'Inspirational Education Provision for Autism'. It is such an amazing achievement to be recognised again as one of the best provisions in the country.

We were visited by the Autism Accreditation Team last week and the team was impressed by all we do for our pupils. Thank you to all the

parents who came into school to meet the Accreditors. We look forward to their final report next term.

This term we have also had a first in Clare Mount with Mr Kearney and his team reporting on BBC 6.30pm News. So much preparation went on behind the scenes by staff and pupils alike for a 40 second footage, but once again our pupils did us proud and it was fantastic.

I continue to be impressed with the willingness of staff in our school to go the extra mile and provide our students with both the opportunities to go out of Clare Mount on trips and to take part in organised events in school. Such experiences greatly benefit the students' learning; helping to develop their confidence whilst broadening their knowledge of the local and wider environment.

May I take this opportunity of wishing you a very happy Easter holiday and to thank you for your continued support of our school.

Best wishes

Kim Webster
Head Teacher
April 2017

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Year 9 Charity work

On behalf of Forum Housing I would to thank those who kindly donated Easter eggs and crafts including an egg decorating kit. They were gratefully received and your kindness is much appreciated.

Thankyou

Miss C Vicars and Year 9



Red Nose Day

We love to share jokes in 7P and have decided to try and raise some funds for Comic Relief by making and selling our own joke book. Members of our form have been busy choosing their own jokes for the book and taking our specially-made joke box around the school to collect favourite jokes from other students and staff members. We have also spent some time in our English lessons thinking about the audience for our book and the purpose of making it.

At the time of writing, we are just putting the finishing touches to the book and are hoping that we will have lots of customers who are ready to have their ribs tickled and their sides split by our hilarious collection on Red Nose Day, 24 March. We will send all the proceeds to Comic Relief to support their work in this country and in Africa.

Special thanks to Mr Dilnot for helping us with our book design and to everyone at Clare Mount who has contributed a joke of their own; we have had a lot of fun reading them all!

Mrs Perry and Miss Durkin



Clare Mount Science Week 2017

The week beginning 13th March saw, once again, Science lessons being taken over by British Science Week. Students used their enquiring minds to solve challenges, this meant lots of fun mixed in with learning.



We had some great Water Rockets from Year 7
Right



Year 8 made some fantastically imaginative Soap Monsters and enjoyed doing some fizzing Chemical Reactions
Left



Year 9 worked in teams to make 'Mars Landers'.... but the bouncy balls were more like slime!

Above



Year 10 took part in the 'Floating Gardens Challenge' during which they considered the impact of climate change on farmers

Left

Year 10 also all made nylon
which was quite tricky and
required lots of skill
Right

Thursday 16th was 'National Demo Day' which gave the staff chance to demonstrate an experiment that isn't on our usual curriculum. We were even filmed for the BBC Schools Report changing copper coins into silver and gold coins.

The students clearly showed their creativity and just how enthusiastic they are for learning and discovering new skills.

Thank you to everyone who made the whole week such a success!



Mrs Nokes

Calvert Trust 2017

Year 9 really enjoyed their five day residential trip to the Calvert Trust in the Lake District.

The activities began as soon as we arrived on site with some orienteering and gathering of essential kit.

Pupils took part whole heartedly in every challenge and were keen to encourage and support each other. Groups paddled across Derwent Water with a brief stop at One Tree Island before carrying the rafts back and loading up the trailer. They climbed through Dodd Wood to be greeted with a spectacular view and even had time to exhibit some great kite flying skills.

They groomed horses, then rode them along lanes full of trees starting to bud. One group even spotted some rabbits in a field and watched a mouse scurry under some hay! The groups also tackled the climbing wall, swing and zip wire. In archery many pupils, with determined



attitudes managed to hit the centre of the target perfectly! The waterproofs and wellington boots came in very handy when all pupils took part in the Ghyll scramble. Pupils helped each other to scramble through gushing water to the top of the Ghyll and some even crawled through a tunnel to pop out of the other side of the lane. What better way to relax after all that activity than in a pool with changing lights and music playing, or a game of pool with friends in the recreation room.



All pupils took turns to set the tables for our meals and were very good at clearing up after themselves. They also had daily room inspections so had to ensure their rooms were spotless!

New activities were tried, challenges faced and new friends made on this fantastic adventure. All of the pupils were exceptional and a credit to our school.



Making Waves

On the afternoon of Thursday 16th March, Clare Mount students from Year 8 joined with other schools to create works of art to raise awareness of plastic pollution in our oceans.

By 2050 it is estimated that there will be more plastic waste in our oceans than fish. Plastics cause a huge problem for wildlife who can become sick from eating them or becoming trapped.

Supported by local artist Jess Keeler the students created wave models out of plastic and made seagulls and fish out of paper. The students were really enthusiastic and had a great time working together. The photos from the day will be used to create a display in school to help encourage students to recycle plastics properly.

All the waves made are going to be exhibited together to form an ocean at The Williamson Art Gallery with a private viewing on 29th March (3:30 to 4:30pm) for schools and families.

Mrs Fogarty



Science Spectacular & Family Evening

The Science Department managed to secure funding from the British Science Association which enabled them to run the first ever 'Clare Mount Science Spectacular'.

There was a buzz of anticipation around the hall as Year 6 students from Hayfield and KS4 students from Foxfield arrived to work alongside our Year 7 students.

Clare Mount's Year 7 students were fantastic, acting as group leaders and Science Ambassadors assisting and demonstrating experiments. Well done, we are really proud of you!

Once the afternoon finished we moved the activities to the Science Labs and welcomed Year 7 & 8 students with their parents/carers and families. A great time was had by all with many parents saying they wished they could join in lessons on a permanent basis.

Mrs Nokes



The atmosphere was electric as we prepared for our first ever Science Spectacular

Science Ambassadors and group leaders did a great job helping our friends from Hayfield and Foxfield.

Boreatton Park 2017

During the last week before half-term, twenty-seven students from Years 8 and 9, together with staff members, went on a residential trip to Boreatton Park in Shropshire. Everyone had a fabulous time!

The students were extremely excited as we journeyed south by coach and were overjoyed to finally reach the park, where they quickly moved into their rooms at the Tall Timbers Lodges. From then on at the 260 acre park, run by PGL, the UK's leading outdoor education provider, everything was in place to ensure we had the best time ever by inspiring learning through adventure. The well-structured itinerary meant the students were on the go from morning till night and were never bored. The wonderful and supportive staff made sure every student had a go at all the activities on offer.

It was all about trust, courage and confidence. Some students dealt with the challenges more easily than others. However, the support and encouragement of the rest of the students was important for each individual's success and the residential helped strengthen peer relationships.

The students enjoyed a whole range of fun activities including a challenge course, sensory course, giant swing, abseiling down a wall of over 10 metres and zip wiring over a lake! There was a huge choice of food served and the rooms were a welcome haven at the end of the day to help them wind down.

Boreatton Park has created a lot of great memories; it enabled students to have opportunities to challenge themselves, overcome their fears, build self-esteem and confidence, as well as have a tremendous amount of fun.



Hedge Planting in Birkenhead Park

Ten Year 9 students travelled by train to Birkenhead Park and planted hedge plants to create a hedgerow which will hopefully last their lifetime.

All the students did Clare Mount proud and have created something within the park that they will be able to show their family and friends and maybe even their own children in the future and say 'I planted that!'

Ms Evans



National Autistic Society Professionals Awards 2017

On Tuesday March 7th, Mrs Webster, Mrs Croucher, Mrs Cooper-Shone and Mrs Perry all represented Clare Mount at the awards dinner for the National Autistic Society Professionals Awards 2017.



Clare Mount was named as one of three finalists in the award category, 'Inspirational Education Provision - Secondary and Post 16'. There were over 200 nominations so we felt proud to have been selected as finalists, but the winner of the award on the night, was a University department at Ulster University.

Although we were not overall winners, we were given a certificate as finalists because we were selected as the best school in the category. It is the first time we have been finalists at these awards and hopefully it won't be the last!

To top the night off, Mrs Perry won a prize in the raffle!

Mrs Croucher



School News Report

We have recently been visited by the BBC as part of our work with School News Report project. The reporter followed our Year 10 and 11 students who were conducting interviews on the day and have been gathering news over the past few weeks and using our dedicated School News page on our website to display their work.



The reporter captured lots of footage and we appeared on BBC North West Tonight in the evening of the 16th of March with starring roles for many of our pupils.

We will be working further with the BBC in the coming weeks on other projects which will also appear on BBC One.

Mr Kearney



Card Craft Club

Card Craft Club enjoyed hearing from the OAKS School in Sierra Leone and seeing how happy they were in receiving the items we sent them.



Lucy, class 3 teacher, loves her creative gifts: loom bands, embroidery silks and wool for crocheting.



Mike, the PE teacher, is thrilled with the football and basketball.



Racing with Autism

At the start of this half term Clare Mount enjoyed an inspirational visit from Jason Riley and his son Austin from Canada.

Austin is autistic and despite his social difficulties meeting people and talking in front of them, he has embarked on various tours of Canada, Australia and now the UK, to share his story of success in becoming a Go-Kart National Champion. A great role model for all our pupils. Some reports by pupils are shown below.

BBC School Report – Austin Riley – By Jamie

On 27th February 2017, Clare Mount Sports College received a visit from Austin Riley and his father Jason, from Racing With Autism. Jason told the whole school Austin's story, from when Austin, at a young age, was completely obsessed with cars, and used to take die-cast cars to bed with him, even taking a different car each night so none of the cars would feel "left out". He also talked about Austin's problems at school, and not being able to find anything he could enjoy. Until one day, when he and his family received a letter inviting Austin to do some go-kart racing...

Jason, due to Austin's obsession with cars, believed he had finally found something his son would enjoy. But unfortunately, when he tried to get Austin to try the racing, Austin had refused, saying he "sucked at everything". He wasn't very confident at this point, and Jason said it had been hard back then to get Austin to go inside a store and order himself some doughnuts. With Austin thinking he sucked at everything, and having school problems, and not feeling good and confident about himself, was he still going to be able to conquer his dreams? Yes, he was. And he also gained lots of confidence along the way.

After several weeks, Austin agreed to try the go-kart racing. Looking back now, he must be very glad he agreed to try this new activity. He had finally found something he enjoyed doing. In fact, on his first race, he just kept on driving when he was meant to stop. Jason went over to him, and just as he was about to tell him off for not stopping, he looked at Austin and saw something that made him very happy...Austin was smiling.

Austin continued to race. And he was a very good racer. And after one of his races he told Jason he wanted to speak out...in front of hundreds of people. Here was someone who previously had trouble buying doughnuts from a store, wanting to talk to over 100 people. It was a big step of improvement for sure. He even later told Jason he wanted to do something different...he wanted to race in a racing championship. And he was good at it. At a young age, he had had problems at school, and believed that he sucked at everything. The same person had spoken to over 100 people at the same time, and was now doing something different. He kept pursuing his dreams despite the problems he'd been having, and he fulfilled them. He is now a well-known racing champion. Austin himself later said that "sometimes it's the people no one imagines can do anything that do the things no one could imagine".

He has made some big improvements, going from having trouble going into a store and ordering doughnuts to speaking in front of hundreds of people, from believing he "sucked at everything" and not finding anything he could enjoy, to becoming a well-known racing champion, from not feeling confident about himself to conquering his dreams.

Jason gave a message to the whole school – "Autism is not a bad thing and will not stop you from conquering your dreams. Keep pursuing them". On the Racing With Autism website, Jason said that he wishes there was a school like Clare Mount in Canada for Austin and kids like him. He also said that the assembly was a very good idea because almost everyone in the school was just like Austin.

Their Story

Austin always really liked cars and he liked to talk to them. He didn't do anything else apart from playing with his toy cars. He tried playing football one time. He kicked the ball once and ran over to his dad and said can we go home now. The first time they went go karting Austin wasn't keen. He made a deal that he would do one lap and then go home and have ice cream. But Austin really liked it and didn't listen to the rules. He just carried on. school was difficult for Austin. He was sometimes accidentally rude to his teachers. on his first day he said ADHD and problems with fine motor skills. This can make life hard for Austin. He didn't have problems with racing. He found it really easy. The only time he really felt relaxed was in his go-kart. One of his best memories was getting his own go-kart for Christmas. Austin has done really well with his racing. He was given a scholarship from the owners of Goodwood Kartway, Dan and Marco D'Uso. He has won lots of championships. His dad said "we don't have illusions of Austin becoming the next F1 champion. We are just looking for someone that can help a kid continue to do one thing in life that he enjoys."

This story is so INSPIRING and some of it is really funny#



What Racing with Autism had to say: "The reaction from students has been nothing like we have experienced before. We have lots of unfinished work here and I would love the opportunity to come back. I tell all of the students in the presentations to follow their dreams and do what they love. I know I speak for Shane and Austin. It would be our dream if we could continue to do this as a living. This is what we love. I really believe we can make a difference even if it's a small one".



Change4life Champions

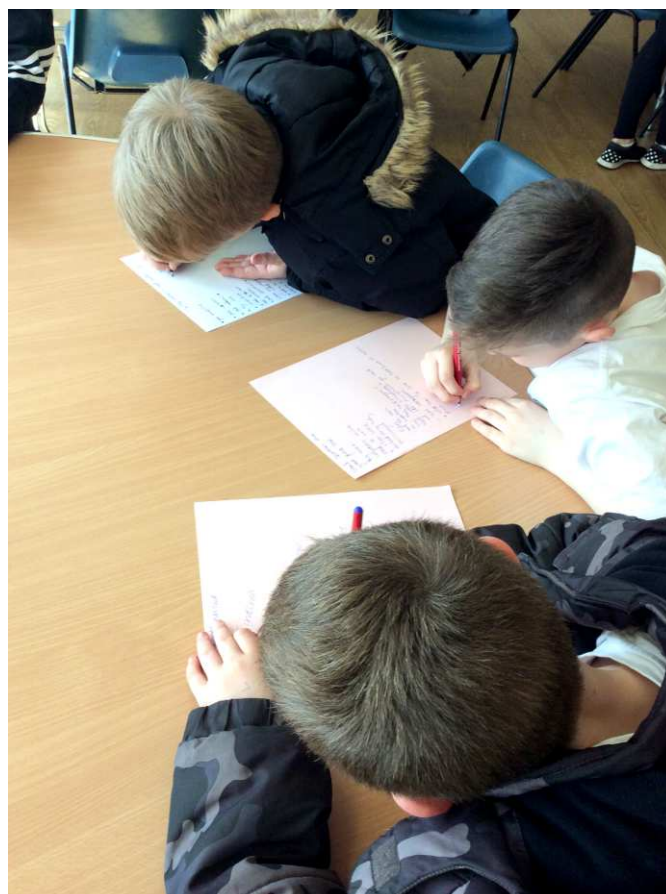
On Thursday 23rd March, Clare Mount hosted Change4life Champions training for our local cluster schools.

The afternoon was supported by Paralympic Cyclist Rik Waddon. Rik inspired the children to take charge of activities within their schools and champion the need to be active for at least 60 minutes a day.

The Champions participated in three workshops that encouraged them to be leaders and identify the qualities and attributes they would need. The Champions were also given the opportunity to put a plan of action together to help start a new club when they returned to school.

To finish the session off every Champion was given a goody bag to help them within their new role as a Change4life Champion. Being active every day is very important, the Change4life website has lots of great ideas for you to have a go at when you are at home as well, why not have a look yourself?

www.nhs.uk/Change4Life/Pages/be-more-active.aspx



Youth Sport Trust Awards

Clare Mount had a hugely successful evening at the YST Awards held at the Ricoh Arena in Coventry. Clare Mount was winner of the Lead School “Advocate for Change in a County” Award for the work we do across Merseyside and Mrs Webster was highly commended in the Campbell CARE Awards for her role as a Headteacher Ambassador.

The star of the show, however, was our Head Boy Harry in the Sixth Form, who won the Beckwith CARE Award for the most inspirational young person across the country for the work he has done as a leader in the Beyond the Baseline programme, including speaking to people at St. James Palace, and his involvement in the World School Sport Education Games. See the pictures and tweets below, including Harry with Olympic Gold Medallist Kate Richardson-Walsh (Hockey) and Olympians Craig Heap (Gymnastics) and Derek Redmond (Athletics).

We are very proud of such a fine young man and role model.



Craig Heap-Olympian @emigdavidheap · Feb 28
#Heapstour With the star of tonight #HarryNugent winner of the @YouthSportTrust #BeckwithCareAward @WirralSG @ClareMountSSC #cpman 🍷🍷



School Improves Outside Space

School continues to make good progress with work on the new Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) thanks to donations from The Morgan Foundation and A Smile for A Child.

An official launch is planned for the 27th April 2017 with Olympic Gold Medal winner Sam Quek (Hockey) visiting school. Sound progress is also being made on the next phase of the sensory garden with kind donations from The North Wirral Rotary Club and The Wirral Fund for Children with Special Needs.



Youth Sport Trust Step into Sport

2017 Conference Delivery Partners

In March 96 Leaders from across Merseyside participated in the Step in to Sport conference including BTec students from Clare Mount. Sixth Former Harry took a leading role in helping to run the event, taking groups to different “inclusive” workshops led by the range of partners shown below.



Photo Gallery from the Step in to Sport workshops



Clare Mount Organises the First Ever UK School Sport Education Games



Question time: Do you know the names of the London 2012 mascots shown left?

Do you know the names of the 2 people who came up with the idea of the modern Olympic Games and the modern Paralympic Games?



If you are struggling to answer the two questions above then you need to attend the next UK School Sport Education Games. Britain has a rich Olympic, Paralympic and Special Olympic history and Clare Mount decided to share and celebrate this fact with other schools from across the UK in March 2017.

Supported by a range of partners and funding from Special Olympics GB Clare Mount used Stoke Mandeville and Much Wenlock as venues to host the first UK School Sport Education Games – with Mandeville and Wenlock the names given



to the mascots of the London 2012 Games. 40 pupils from 6 schools across the UK discovered all about Dr Ludwig Guttman, founder of the Paralympics with the help of Wheelpower Sports, and Dr William Penny Brookes with the help of the Wenlock Olympian Society.

Pupils from Clare Mount represented the school brilliantly. All partners involved want to build on the event and make it bigger each year.





Pictures: On opposite page: Clare Mount pupils with the Paralympic Torch and Mandeville mascot, alongside Paralympic swimmer Kate Gray. Above: Having a lecture on the Wenlock Olympian Games and founder Dr William Penny Brookes at William Brookes School. Outside the birthplace of Dr William Penny Brookes on the Olympian Trail.

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Sky Living for Sports visits

For our Sky Living for Sport athlete mentor visit this year we welcomed Jenna Downing to school.



“I love Clare Mount ... It’s one of my favourite schools to visit and I’m delighted to be back”. Jenna is a World in-line skating champion who told our Year 8 pupils her inspirational story about overcoming barriers, such as age and gender, to her becoming a professional in-line skater and subsequently World Champion. Her key message was to never give up on your dreams. “Barriers are there to be broken”.

In the afternoon Jenna worked with pupils from our local primary schools. Jenna was helped by the brilliant leadership of Mollie (Year 9) and Kaitlyn and Paige (Year 11) who did a magnificent job helping the Years 5 and 6 work as a team, address their fears and improve their technique.

Clare Mount has secured funding from the Youth Sport Trust to set up an Extreme Park Hub which will involve us promoting sports like in-line skating, along with skateboarding, scooting and cycling and engaging up to 130 young people from our school and other local schools. Jenna will help us set up this programme in the Summer Term, along with the help of former European Skateboarding champion Neil Danns.

Clare Mount Trains Teachers



Clare Mount Specialist Sport College works very closely with local universities to make sure that their training teachers are able to become confident and competent at including everyone in PE.

The iPE courses are funded by Sainsbury's Active Kids campaign and Mr White has recently been involved in writing new material for future sessions.



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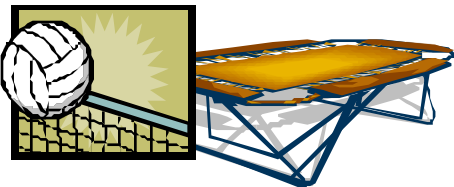


**Tennis professionals support young people through
Beyond the Baseline programme**

Our inspirational tennis mentor Anna Fitzpatrick returned this term for the final session of Beyond the Baseline. Anna said:
“The pupils at Clare Mount were so brilliant to work with once again. Year 7 took a full part in all activities and post-16 were just great to work with. I love coming to Clare Mount and can't wait for next year!”



Community Sports Night


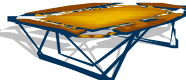







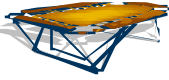








Wednesdays @ Clare Mount Specialist Sports College.
 26th April, 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th May, HALF TERM,
 7th, 14th, 21st June, NO CSN (FRENCH TRIP), 5th, 12th July 2017 (Family Sport Night).



Name	
Age (7-19 YEARS)	
School	
Parent / Carer E-MAIL	
Emergency Contact	

Return to: **Mrs Kearsley** Clare Mount Sports College Office or email to g.kearsley@claremount.wirral.sch.uk
 N.B. Places are limited on some activities – Please give a 2nd choice if choosing an activity with limited places.

Time	Guide	Canteen	Hall	Gymnasium	Fitness Room	Playground	Drama Studio	MUGA 1 (New)	MUGA 2 (Old)	Cover staff
3.30 - 4.15pm	Please circle 1 sport / activity per session only	Table Tennis (Oli Jackson / Josh McGrory) 	Trampolining (Steen Sports/Miss Swop) (10 max) 	Basketball Academy (Mr Atkins/ Steffan) 	Fitness (Mr Stanley /Mr Dilnot) 	Cycling/Scooter (Dave Cutts/ JS) (12 max) (You can only do 1 session of bikes). 	Zumba (Mrs Corcaran) 	Netball (Miss Webster) 	Tri-Golf Road to the Open. (Neil Price) 	Mrs Kearsley Mr Keefe Miss Green
4.15- 5.00pm	Please circle 1 sport activity per session only	Para Olympic Sports (Oli Jackson) 	Trampolining (Steen Sports/Miss Swop) (10 max) 	Tennis (Miss Manley / Josh McGrory) 	Fitness (Neil Price / Mr Dilnot) 	Cycling/Scooter (Dave Cutts/JS) (12 max) (You can only do 1 session of bikes). 	Street Dance / Yoga (Mrs Corcaran / Miss Webster) 	Football (Mr White) 	Kwik Cricket (Steffan) 	Mrs Kearsley Mr Keefe Miss Green Mr Stanley

Please read the conditions of attendance on the other page and sign the **consent form** for your child/ward to take part. If an activity is full your child/ward will be offered an alternative **if we have capacity**, otherwise placed on a waiting list for the following half term. Sessions are **FREE** and open to **partner schools** with SEND pupils.
PLACES WILL BE ALLOCATED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS FOR ACTIVITIES WITH LIMITED PLACES.

Conditions of attendance:

- Parents/Carers **MUST** be able to collect pupils at the end of the session. Please ensure you inform your bus escort of any days that your child/ward is either staying in school or, if they regularly attend community sport night, if they are not on any particular week.
- Pupils can stay for 1 hour (until 4.15pm) or 2 hours (until 5.00pm). If your child/ward is struggling with the second hour this will be open to review.
- The safety, care and health of your child/ward is important to us. As such children coming to these activities **MUST** take part fully, listen to instructions and remain in the room/area that the activity they have signed up to is taking place in.
- Community Sport Night is a 'stepping stone' to local sports clubs and community opportunities (not a youth club / child care facility). Pupils who choose to stay do so on the understanding that they listen to the coaches / teachers and show them and others **RESPECT** at all times.
- Children who do not behave appropriately will be given a warning and their parents/carers informed. If they repeat this behaviour they will lose their place on the programme. More serious incidents will result in pupils immediately being stopped from attending.
- Parents/Carers can **wait in the reception area** when collecting their child/ward. Children are asked not to let parents in and to inform a member of staff when the person picking them up has arrived.
- Prompt pick up of your child/ward is required. Sessions will come to an end by 4.50pm (parents/carers should aim to arrive by this time) with the expectation that everyone is leaving the school premises by 5.00pm at latest.
- Children **MUST wear appropriate PE/ Sports kit.**
- Children are encouraged to **bring a bottle** to fill up with water.
- Staff will remind pupils to ensure they have got all their uniform / belongings, however, it is the responsibility of the parent/carer collecting the child to check they have everything. **Pupils can go home in their PE/ Sports kit.**
- Half termly programmes will tend to last for 5 weeks (unless the half term is shorter).
- All parent/guardians are required to pick their child/ward up from **INSIDE** the SCHOOL FOYER.
- Sessions will be led by qualified coaches / teachers and some sessions will be supported by volunteers from local Universities (who will have appropriate CRB disclosures).
- All pupils are reminded that the use of mobile phones during sports night is **NOT** permitted. If there are any concerns with regard to the collection of pupils please ensure a member of staff is notified.

PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT FOR EDUCATIONAL VISITS: NONE HAZARDOUS AND DO NOT INVOLVE AN OVERNIGHT STAY

- I agree to my son/daughter/ward taking part in the above mentioned activity and having read the information sheet, agree to his/her participation to any or all of the activities described. I acknowledge the need for obedience and responsible behaviour on his/her part. Any child not following instructions will be returned to school immediately.
- In the event of an accident, I agree to my son/daughter/ward receiving emergency medical treatment, which might include the use of anaesthetic and blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.
- I understand that Wirral Borough Council is insured in respect of its legal liabilities only and that there is not Personal Accident, or other cover, unless I have been advised specifically. Accidents may therefore arise for which the Council is not responsible. Parents/Guardians may wish to obtain suitable insurance to cover such eventualities.

Medical information:

Please ensure your child has any medication they require with them at all times, or pack a snack if required.

Signature Parent/Carer

Date:

Pupil's Name.....

Tel. No.

Photo consent: I give / do not give permission for my child/ward to be involved in any photos (delete as appropriate).



More Red Noses

Our Catering Team made special Red Nose Cakes for Comic Relief for the students to enjoy with their lunch.



Yum!

Active All Sports Programme - Easter 2017 (3rd April – 11th April)

Please find below location details for the 'Active All' Easter Activities:

- Arrow Park Golf Club, Birkenhead, Wirral, CH49 5LW
- Birkenhead Youth Club, Watson St, Birkenhead, Wirral, CH41 3PY
- Bromborough Bowls, 1 Bassendale Rd, Birkenhead, Wirral, CH62 3QL
- Birkenhead Park, Park Drive, Birkenhead, Wirral, CH41 4HY
- The Oval Leisure Centre, Old Chester Rd, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 7LF

Please check the following information before booking onto any of the programmed sessions.

The information provides a brief description of the content of each activity, as well as details of what should be worn.

Unless otherwise stated, no refreshments will be provided. Participants should therefore bring their own food and drink.

Participants wishing to take part in any of the timetabled activities **MUST** book onto each session by emailing staceyaddison@wirral.gov.uk and completing the booking and consent form.

Please note: Although coaches & volunteers will be assisting with activities, parents/carers should attend booked sessions should your child require extra assistance/ support or is new to the sessions.

For further information and enquires please contact Stacey Addison on 0151 666 4359

**MONDAY 3rd APRIL and
MONDAY 10th APRIL**

TRAMPOLINING

Venue: Birkenhead Youth Club
Time: 9am – 9:45am (5-11yrs)
9:45am – 10:30am (12yrs +)
Cost: £2 per person

Description:

- This specially adapted trampoline session includes learning basic skills of trampolining.
- Additional help from parents/carers may be required to help spot and support around the trampoline.

Limited Places Available

Extras:

- Loose, comfortable sports clothing, including non-slip socks, is recommended.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- Participants to bring their own refreshments.

Meeting Place:

Please meet and register in the centres reception area.

**MONDAY 3RD APRIL and
MONDAY 10TH APRIL**

WHEELS FOR ALL

Venue: Birkenhead Park
Time: 1pm – 2pm (5-11 years)
2pm – 3pm (11 years +)
Cost: £2 per person

Description:

- Join us for this fun cycling session featuring specially adapted bikes.

Limited Places Available

Extras:

- All participants should wear loose, comfortable clothing, including trainers, pumps or wellingtons.
- Participants to bring their own refreshments.
- Participants are advised to be prepared for changes in the weather.

Meeting Place:

Please meet and register at the parks visitors centre reception.

TUESDAY 4TH APRIL

BOWLING

Venue: Bromborough Bowl
Time: 10am – 12pm (5 years +)
Cost: £2 per person

Description:

- Take to the lanes and enjoy two games of indoor ten-pin bowling.

Limited Places Available

Extras:

- All participants should wear loose, comfortable clothing.
- Hire shoes will be available, so socks are advised.
- Friends and siblings welcome.

Meeting Place:

Please meet and register in the reception area.

TUESDAY 4TH APRIL

FOOTGOLF

Venue: Arrowse Park Country Park

Time: 1pm – 2pm (5-11 years)
2pm - 3pm (12 years +)

Cost: £2 per person

Description:

- Footgolf is played on a golf course using a size 5 football. The object of the game is to get the ball into the hole using only your feet in the fewest number of shots possible.

Limited Places Available

Extras:

- All participants should wear loose, comfortable clothing.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- Participants to bring their own refreshments.
- No football boots or blades.

Meeting Place:

Please meet and register at the centre reception.

TUESDAY 11TH APRIL

MULTI-SPORTS

Venue: Wirral Tennis Centre

Time: 10am – 11am (3-11 years)
11am – 12pm (12 years+)

Cost: £2 per person

Description:

- Range of sport hall games and sports ideal for a range of ages and abilities

Limited Places Available

Extras:

- All participants should wear loose, comfortable clothing.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- Participants to bring their own refreshments.

Meeting Place:

Please meet and register in the centres reception area.

TUESDAY 11TH APRIL

FUN TENNIS

Venue: Wirral Tennis Centre

Time: 1pm – 2pm (5-11years)
2pm – 3pm (12 years +)

Cost: £2 per person

Description:

- Join us for a fun range of mini games, skills and activities incorporating all the elements of tennis.

Limited Places Available

Extras:

- All participants should wear loose, comfortable clothing.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- Participants to bring their own refreshments.

Meeting Place:

Please meet and register at the centre reception.

WIRRAL Consent Form

Child's Name: _____

DOB: _____ Male/Female: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____ Tel No: _____

Parent/ Carers email: _____

School/Centre Child Attends: _____

Emergency Contact Name and Number: _____

SEN	Tick Where Applicable
Specific Learning Difficulties (SpLD)	
Moderate Learning Difficulties (MLD)	
Severe/Complex Learning Difficulties (SLD)	
Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties (PMLD)	
Behavioural, Emotional and Social Difficulties (BESD)	
Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD)	
Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)	
Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN)	
Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD)	
Asperger's Syndrome	
Hearing Impairment (HI)	
Visual Impairment (VI)	
Multi-sensory Impairment (MSI)	
Physical Difficulties (PD)	
Dyspraxia (D)	
Other	

Active All Sports Programme

Please ensure that you complete one consent form per child:

Are there any medical problems or medication that we should be aware of, e.g. Epilepsy, asthma etc.? YES/NO

If YES please give details: _____

To the best of your knowledge has your son/daughter suffered from anything recently that may be infectious or contagious, or been in contact with any person who has had a contagious or infectious disease(s)? YES/NO

Is your son/daughter allergic to any medication, insect bites, food etc.? YES/NO

Is your son/daughter taking any form of medication on a regular basis? YES/NO

If YES to the above please give details: _____

Has your son/daughter any special dietary requirements? YES/NO

If YES please give details: _____

Please use the space below to specify any additional information that may relate to the level of supervision required:

Has the child named got an "All about me book"? YES/NO

Please state participants' ethnicity (ethnic background)

Signature of Parent: _____

Print Name: _____

(A DOCTOR'S CONSENT FORM MAY BE REQUIRED)

Active All Sports Programme

Please note that all participants wishing to take part in any of the timetabled activities **MUST** book onto each session by emailing staceyaddison@wirral.gov.uk and completing the booking and consent form. **(one form per child)**.

Places for some activities are very limited and need to be controlled for health and safety reasons. Please use the contact details below to reserve your place.

Booking Forms are to be sent to:

Stacey Addison

Sport Development Unit

1st Floor Conway Centre

Conway Street

Birkenhead

CH41 6JD

Cancellations by the participant must be made within a 48 hour period prior to the activity.

For more information contact:

Stacey Addison

(t) 0151 666 4359

staceyaddison@wirral.gov.uk

Active All Sports Programme



WIRRAL Booking Form

Child's Name: _____

DOB: _____ Male/Female: _____

Parents Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____ Tel No: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Activity	Date	Time	Venue	Cost

Total Cost: £ _____

Payment Method: _____

Photographs will be taken at this event and will be used for methods of publicity and to promote the services provided. I give consent for the photographs to be taken and used for the purpose stated.

YES/NO

School Year

2016 – 17

Open	Tuesday 18 th April 2017
<i>Closed (May Day)</i>	<i>Monday 1st May 2017</i>
Close for half-term	Friday 26 th May 2017
Open	Monday 5 th June 2017
<i>Closed to Students</i>	<i>Friday 23rd June 2017</i> <i>(not May 15th as previously advised)</i>
Close	Tuesday 25 th July 2017

All staff training days incorporated.

Advance Warning for 2017-18 & 2018-19

<i>Open (Staff only)</i>	<i>Mon 4th September 2017</i>
<i>Open (Students)</i>	<i>Tue 5th September 2017</i>
<i>Close for half-term</i>	<i>Friday 20th October 2017</i>
<i>Open</i>	<i>Monday 30th October 2017</i>
<i>Close for Christmas</i>	<i>Friday 22nd December 2017</i>
<i>Open</i>	<i>Monday 8th January 2018</i>
<i>Close for half-term</i>	<i>Friday 16th February 2018</i>
<i>Open</i>	<i>Monday 26th February 2018</i>
<i>Close for Spring Break</i>	<i>Thursday 29th March 2018</i>
<i>Open</i>	<i>Monday 16th April 2018</i>
<i>Closed (May Day)</i>	<i>Monday 7th May 2018</i>
<i>Close for half-term</i>	<i>Friday 25th May 2018</i>
<i>Open</i>	<i>Monday 4th June 2018</i>
<i>Close for Summer Break</i>	<i>Tuesday 24th July 2018</i>
<i>Open (Staff only)</i>	<i>Mon 3rd September 2018</i>
<i>Open (Students)</i>	<i>Tue 4th September 2018</i>
<i>Close for half-term</i>	<i>Friday 19th October 2018</i>
<i>Open</i>	<i>Monday 29th October 2018</i>
<i>Close for Christmas</i>	<i>Friday 21st December 2018</i>
<i>Open</i>	<i>Monday 7th January 2019</i>
<i>Close for half-term</i>	<i>Friday 15th February 2019</i>

Return to School for Students

Tuesday 18th April 2017

World Book Day 2017

Students celebrated Literacy Week earlier this term, incorporating World Book Day into the celebrations.



Students were able to enter competitions, tackle a tricky quiz and visit Clare Mount's book shop (where they were all able to help themselves to a free book) and dress up in their favourite book-inspired costumes. Year 7 were also treated to a very special assembly by published author, Charlie Lea.

A huge "Thank You" to all staff, pupils and parents for supporting Literacy Week and World Book Day.

