

A New Year and a new set of sporting events to attend and enjoy.....

Sportshall Year 3 & 4

After a very successful Year 5 & 6 Sportshall before Christmas, it was the turn of the younger children to experience this fast and furious event at Sybil Andrews. This covers relay races of varying degrees including obstacles and as it is indoors the skill of running up to and turning on the wall via an angled step board is very exciting. Add tunnels, hurdles



and speed bounce to the mix and you may get a sense of the skill and noise levels created in the track events! Other events include standing long jump, standing high jump, javelin and ball throwing. All the relevant scores are combined at the end to find a winner. The children were delighted to be awarded runners up for this competition. Well done everyone!

EFL Kids Cup

Sebert Wood gained entry to this for the very first time and were able to take a squad of 8 boys along to the 6 a side football competition held on the training pitch at Ipswich Town Football Club on January 23rd. This day involved 24 schools from the region playing league games to establish finalists at the end of



the session. After our four games, we had won 3 and drawn 1 which meant we finished top of our section. A crossover final with a second placed school saw us in one of the four final games. We were able to beat that opposition 1 - 0 and that took us through to the Super 8's the following week. Parental/family support was

brilliant and we thank all those who braved the extreme cold weather on that first day.

The second round took place on the 29th January at the same venue, and again the team of Tristan, Ethan, Charlie, Harrison, Luke, George, Riley and Finley represented Sebert Wood to the best of their ability. We always knew this one would be tougher as the winners would go through to the next round at Aston Villa to represent ITFC. The boys battled fairly and with some great skill, with only the one goal defeating them on three occasions. They did however triumph in one game 5 - 0 which was the highest winning margin of the day. Despite not progressing, the boys were brilliant throughout, both in skill and sportsmanship, and Mr Proctor, Mr Noe and Mrs Steven were very proud of their efforts. Thank you boys and very well played! Another special mention to our faithful supporters - not quite so chilly the second time!



Basketball Year 3 & 4

This competition was after school at Howard Primary, and we had a squad of the required five girls and five boys. Not much experience in this game for this age group at present, but that really did not show! They were enthusiastic and eager to learn, quickly supporting each other as they scored baskets and moved across the court. Often this is the first time the children have taken part in the competitive element, and again, the behaviour and attitude of the children was fantastic. Sebert Wood came out on top and were the winners of a rather nice trophy. Something else to add to the new cabinet in the Reception area. Well done all!



Basketball Year 5 & 6

Following hot on the trail of Year 3 & 4, the second competition took place at Sybil Andrews Academy the very next afternoon. Again it follows the pattern of 5 girls who play the first half against the team of girls, and then the boys take over in the second half against the opposing boys. Almost two different games, but the score line that the girls leave is added to by the boys, and it results in a very exciting game. Three wins, a draw and a loss was a fine result which was very close at the end when we were third placed overall. Once again, the team spirit was a good representation for Sebert Wood.



Tag Rugby Year 3 & 4

A beautiful sunny day, in complete contrast to previous years where it has been snowing and freezing cold, saw our Sebert Wood team take part in the Tag Rugby competition at the Bury Rugby Club.



Small numbers of school entries meant that the matches were longer which gave the team a good chance to enjoy the tussle with local opposition. We have had the benefit of coaching from BRFC on Tuesday lunchtimes as well as after school, and the standard of play reflected this input. Some of our boys are well versed in the game

and were strong contenders throughout, both in the speed of running and the skill of throwing and catching the ball. Our girls were less instructed but very eager, and the effort they gave meant they were very weary after the tournament! We finished in fourth place. Well done!

Sybil Challenge Year 5 & 6



The latest challenge of the Year 6 and 5 children against Year 7 B teams from Sybil Andrews resulted in a thrilling football competition in which Sebert Wood came first and third out of the four teams. Well done boys!



The girls netball was very tough against well drilled teams, and we are aiming to build our squad up when we restart our club after half term. Good effort girls.

Sporting Clubs

After half term, with the lighter nights coming back, we will be offering more clubs after school. These will include Netball, Archery and Running clubs to begin with. Details of these clubs are either out now or will be very shortly. We look forward to welcoming the children as they take part in the sporting activity organised and thank those who give their time and talents for this purpose.

And finally....

Our thanks, as usual, go to Sports Leaders, Sports Mentors and Sebert Wood Staff. We would also like to thank parents for their dedicated support in transporting the children to events and encouraging them from the sidelines.