



Cottesmore St. Mary Catholic Primary School

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Sports Newsletter



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Boys Football League - Black Team

It has been a brilliant season so far for our black team. Our first game vs Balfour ended in a 2-0 win to us, goals from Zak and Casper. Next up was a 3-1 win over Goldstone, a great entertaining game. Goals from Freddie, Zak and Arthur H. Last up in the league, Westdene, with the boys hoping to make it 3 from 3. Our boys were brilliant, dominating the game but unable to score the crucial goal, 0-0 the end result.

Girls Football League - Pink Team

The girls pink team have been brilliant this season, and have had great fun in all of their games. The first game ended in a 4-4 draw vs Balfour. Our girls were 4-1 down at one point, but a hatrick from Milly and equalising goal from Eva secured our girls a vital point for the league. Next up was a 2-0 defeat against Westdene. A superb display from Amelia in goal kept the scoreline down against a strong team. Our final game was the best yet, a 4-0 win vs Goldstone! 2 goals from Milly, 1 from Amelia A, and 1 from player of the match Alice.

The annual tournament lead to some more great performances. Cottesmore Gold, lead by Alice, earnt 3 draws, 2 wins and 1 loss, leading to a second place medal. The Yellow team, lead by Namaty, earnt 3 draws, 1 win and 2 losses, leading to a third place medal.

ESFA Boys Football Competition

Our boys were brilliant in the first ESFA event this year. A loss vs St Andrews in the first game was a set back, but the boys followed that with a win and draw, making it through to the Semi Finals vs Hove Juniors. A battling performance lead to 0-0 draw, followed by a penalty shootout. Goals from Oscar, William and Arthur JD (who also saved one in the shootout), lead our team to the final. In the final, a rematch of the groups vs St Andrews, our boys were brilliant. A 0-0 draw meant the trophy was shared and our boys qualified for the finals day. On this finals day, our boys were unstoppable! A Win vs St Andrews and draws vs Balfour and Westdene, meant our boys were crowned champions of B&H!

Boys Football League—Blue team

The boys have been competing in the Hove and Portslade league again this year. We got off to a great start, beating Brunswick 1-0. A great finish from Antonio helped us to beat a strong Brunswick side and start the league season with 3 points on the board. Player of match awarded to Antonio for his match winning goal, and Oscar for his all round performance in CM. Next up was Goldstone, always a tough opponent. The boys really showed up to this one, winning 5-0! Goals from Oscar, William, George G x2 and George M, helped us to the win! Arthur JD was also on top form with a couple of great saves. Player of the match goes to George G for 2 fantastic goals and William who was brilliant at left wing. Final game was vs Bilingual, and our boys knew that a win would secure the league title. The boys secured their status as league champions with a 3-0 win! Goals from Oscar, George G and George M with a player of the match performance from Seb C! The boys now look forward to their cup matches after Christmas.

Sports Leaders

Y4- Ella and Jacob

Y5- Albee and Sham

Lily and Alfie

Y6- Jackson and Ruby
Savannah and Freddie



Albion Cup - Y5&6 Girls

The girls were fantastic in this years Albion Cup qualifiers, and couldn't have performed any better in the groups. The girls topped their group with 13 points, 4 wins and 1 draw. Clemance was our top goal scorer with 7 goals! Wins vs North Lancing, Southover, Polgate and Benfield, followed by a draw vs Seaford, made up our group stage. This meant we qualified for the SF vs St Nicolas. The girls were so unlucky in this game, the ball would just not go into the net! We then conceded a late goal, which was our first goal conceded all day, to lose 1-0.



Football League—Girls - Navy team

Our girls started their league campaign with a brilliant 3-2 win vs Brunswick. Goals from Clara and Iseult x 2, helped us to a fantastic away win! Player of the match went to Iseult for her 2 goals and Sofia E for defending brilliantly throughout. Next up was a 2-0 defeat vs Goldstone. Our girls were very unlucky in this game, hitting the post and having a goal cleared off the line, with Goldstone scoring a late goal as we were chasing an equaliser. Player of the match went to Sofia E and Harper for their work in defence. Last up was a 1-1 draw vs Bilingual. The girls were brilliant again, Iseult scored another superb goal. Player of the match went to Iseult and Elise. Our girls now end the league season with a great total of 4 points.



Albion Cup - Y5&6 Boys

The boys were brilliant in this years Albion cup, topping their table filled with tough opposition, with 6 points. First up was 0-0 draw vs Summerlea, followed by a 2-0 win vs Seaford to put us top on 4 points. The boys followed with two 1-1 draws in a row vs Leechpool and Southover. With lots of draws in the group, 6 points was enough to see us top and set up a SF match vs West Park. This match went all the way to penalties, with Arthur JD making a crucial save in the shootout to see us through to the final, to face Peacehaven. In the final, our boys won 1-0, the winner scored by Antonio, to crown us Albion Cup qualifiers champions!

This meant our boys made it through to the finals day, where all the finalists from the qualifiers would face off, to try and become Albion Cup Sussex Champions. The prize for winning this event, a chance to represent Brighton and Hove Albion against all other Premier League clubs. Our boys were brilliant again, finishing 2nd in the group with 8 points, with wins vs Peacehaven and Saltdean, setting up a tie vs Maidenbower in the final. We had previously drawn 0-0 with them in the group stage. The final could not separate the 2 teams again, another 0-0 draw meaning penalties would decide the winners. Luck was not on our side as Maidenbower won 3-1 on pens. The boys can be so proud of making it all the way to final!



Brighton and Hove Cross Country

Our school cross country teams performed brilliantly, as always, at the big Brighton and Hove competition this year. We had over 25 children finish within the top 100 of their races, which is a great achievement. Our year 5 boys team finished with a score of 84, finishing 1st overall. Our year 5 girls team finished with a score of 75, finishing 2nd overall. Our year 6 boys team finished with a score of 149, finishing 6th overall. Our year 6 girls A team finished with a score of 66, finishing 1st overall. Our year 6 girls B team finished with a score of 123, finishing 2nd overall.

An amazing performance by our year 6 girls team, to achieve a 1st and 2nd place.

We also had great individual success, with a few of our children finishing in the top 20, and qualifying to run for team Brighton and Hove in the Sussex School Games finals.

Well done to Jack (5), Bella (5), Raphy (5), Milly (7), Elise (8), Rose (11), Clemance (14), Ethan (15), Iseult (20).

A brilliant performance from team Cottessmore, lead brilliantly by team captain Rose.

