



SPORTING INFLUENCE

Improving Social Skills Through Sport

PE With Mr Crooks and Mrs Wilcox

This term Mr Crooks has been teaching Owls, Starlings, Ravens, and Eagles. All four classes enjoyed the invasion games unit in the first Autumn term, where the focus was on outwitting opponents and how to defend individually and as a team across a variety of invasion games. Crossover and Benchball are two team activities that were a huge triumph for the children.

Over the duration of the second Autumn term, the same children have been transferring these skills into Handball. We took this to another level, by identifying how zonal and player marking is effective whilst defending and the importance of quick passing and moving, while in possession of the ball. All four classes loved learning the rules to handball and applying their skills into practice.

Mrs Wilcox has taught Ravens and Herons. Both classes loved the OAA orienteering unit. They did a great job reading maps and then finally designing their own courses. This half term has seen us focus on dance. This performance art has challenged us in a different way but both classes have been creative.

After school clubs on a Tuesday and Thursday have seen over 40 children develop their football and netball skills. For some it has been an introduction, and for others a furthering of their skills. They have all been brilliant, so enthusiastic and keen to learn, making it really good fun to teach them!

During the football and netball games in club, there has been a high level of determination, respect, and encouragement.



A jump shot that can be used in Handball.



In our OAA unit children had to navigate their way around the school grounds.



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