

MORETON HALL PREPARATORY SCHOOL SPORTS REPORT

End of Michaelmas Term 2008

This report will be a regular feature in the school mailings to let you know what is happening with sport at Moreton Hall.

The Team.

Mr Paul Loft

Sports and Physical Education Governor
Liaison

Mrs Tess Wentworth-James

Pre prep Hockey

Mr Colin Baty

Deputy Headmaster and Head of Sport

Mr Mark Scott

Professional Football Coach

Ms Paula Fenner

Girls' Sport

Mrs Julie Bloomfield

Swimming Coach

Mr Freddie Walton

Boys' Sport

Mrs Siân Couture

Pre Prep Dance teacher

Mrs Melissa Meikle

Girls Sport

Mr William Bellinger

Head Groundsman

Mr David Etchells-Butler

Judo

Mr Dennis Morley

Squash



Sports reports this half term

The Under 9 Boys' Football

V OBH

We started well with JP hitting the post in the first 5 minutes. OBH came back strongly and Solly did some great saves. We defended well with good tackling by Adam and Robert. Ollie did some lovely runs through their defence and we looked dangerous up to half time.

After halftime we immediately put them under pressure, Ollie had three good shots at goal and Ben had one and there were other chances. Unfortunately OBH got a goal, which was a surprise, even to them! The whole team played really well together and the score did not reflect the game. Man of the match: Adam with a special mention to Solly for great goal keeping.

By Freddie Dellow

V Orwell Park

We started the game really well against Orwell Park. In the first half we did a lot of attacking and defended really well too. Adam was brilliant at the back for us. We won a penalty from one of our attacks, which I scored then it was half time. We were 1 -0 up.

The second half was much harder, as they played much better. Unfortunately they scored 2 quick goals and despite a great performance by the whole team we lost 2 -1.

A special mention to J.P, Ben and Ethan for great play and man of the match was Adam.

Thank you to Mr Baty and to all of the parents who came to support us.

By Harry Gale

V Finborough

We started slowly and Finborough scored two early goals. We settled into the game and Harry scored a great goal from a free kick just before half time.

In the 2nd half again they scored at the start of the half. We pushed forward attacking for long spells. Oliver Campbell made some great saves. Harry scored again so we went looking for the equaliser. With time running out I scored to make it 3-3. The whole team played very well with great tackles from Adam in defence.

Man of the match the whole team for not giving up and getting the draw.

By Ethan Street

Kings School Ely Football Festival

We arrived and played Cherry Trees straight away! We played really well with Harry Gale playing fantastically well, he scored 2 goals. At half time Cherry Tress came back strongly but we held on with another goal scored to Adam Platt and we won 3-0.

We then played Kings and did very well in what was a close game. They were strong but we defended very well. We came close to scoring twice but just missed the net. We drew 0-0.

Our 3rd game was against South Lee but they turned up late so we ended up 2nd in the festival.

U9 Football V Holmwood

We knew Holmwood would be a tough fixture. That seemed to be 3-4 inches taller than us all round the pitch. But with Mrs Mickle taking on the roll of manager for the day we knew we had a good chance. We played and defended very well and were looking good at half time. However they finally broke through and scored some late goals. Well done to everyone as we have all improved so much as a team this season!

Under 11 Girls Netball and Hockey

V Holmwood House

I lost the toss and they had centre. We only played with five players. We had a great attack and we scored 7 goals in the first half. Iona: 4, Alice 1, Caitlin: 2 and Holmwood House only 1 because we had a great defence. In the second half we scored 2 goals: Caitlin 1, Bella 1 and Holmwood House scored 0. Our defence was excellent. We won because of our fantastic goal scorers and Issie's amazing goal keeping. The final score was 9-1 to us. Thank you to Mrs Fenner for coaching supporters, our Matron and us for match tea. Man of the match was the whole team.

V Barnardiston

We lost the toss and they chose first centre push. We got off to a good start with some brave playing. We defended well but unfortunately they got through our defence and scored. By half time Barnardiston were 3 goals to nil. In the second half, that was ten minutes shorter because another match had to be played on the same pitch so we had less time to regain the points.

Iona was very unlucky because she hit a great shot and missed by centimetres. The final score was 4-0 to Barnardiston. Thank you to Mrs Fenner for transport, Mrs Mickle for umpiring and Barnardiston for match tea. Man of the match the whole team.

By Annie O'Rourke

U11 Boys Rugby

V Culford

The match started with them doing a good kick but despite our efforts they scored one then two and converted both. It was half time, after a good team talk we came on with high hopes but they scored and converted. Then the score was 21 – 0 to them.

Man of the match was Falah for great running and a special mention for Bobby for excellent tackling.

By William Hayes

V Finborough

We started by winning the toss and chose to kick. Carlos punted it down the pitch. We defended well by doing our new favourite strategy "the wall of blue". With the disadvantage of going uphill Finborough sneaked a try making the score 7 – 0 to Finborough.

Half time.

After Mr Baty's encouraging team talk we were ready to make a comeback. We went up with aggression and passed it down to Tottie and he scored a try, Bobby converted it. We did this again with Ned who was legging it from the half way line to the end of the pitch and scored a fantastic try and Ben scored a great try finishing off the game. The final score was 19 – 7 to Moreton hall.

Man of the match was Tottie, Ned and Ben for scoring those amazing tries and a special mention to Jeff for his best game yet. Thank you to Mr Baty for transport and Finborough for match tea.

By Falah Al-Rashidi

V Littlegarth

After a long ride to Littlegarth we finally got to start the match. I started by winning the toss and chose to kick. We all defended well by stealing the ball and Miles scored a great try. They kicked to us, and as we just scored a try they were really angry and stole the ball. OH NO. But Jeff got the ball and saved a try. After that we were stuck on the try line and were worried that they would score a try, but Ned got the ball and ran and ran and ran scoring a try. After that Littlegarth scored a try. After that it was half time. After a team talk we were ready to go back on. They played a lot better and so did we. Littlegarth sneaked in a try. We played well by giving Ben the ball allowing him to score a try, saving us the match. Final score was 17- 14 to us.

Man of the season goes to all of the team for great play throughout the season.

By Falah Al-Rashidi

Moreton Hall U11 A and B Rugby Tournament

'A' League

V Barnardiston

I lost the toss and they kicked to us. With some great ducking and weaving by Bobby we made a lot of ground. But they stole the ball and scored. This happened once more in the first half. We came out after half time with all our hopes channelled towards a comeback. This didn't quite happen. Even though we were making excellent tackles from Ned and Ben Gale, one of their players broke through and scored. Soon we began to feel a slight sense of déjà vu because this happened twice more. Suddenly I made a break with Ned at my shoulder, as I came up to a tackler I offloaded to Ned who scored. The final score was 33-5 to Barnardiston.

Thank you to Mr Elliss for reffing and Matron for match tea.

Man of the match goes to Ned for bone crushing tackles and great runs.

V Littlegarth

I won the toss and they kicked to us, they took it back and scored and converted then they scored again then we scored and converted.

Man of the match was Ned for excellent running. Final score 7 – 12

V South Lee

We started off with them scoring once, twice, three times then I lost count. Play continued with them scoring but we put our best efforts into it but they scored. After half time they kept on scoring.

'B' League

V South Lee

They won the toss and chose to receive. So we kicked the ball and they missed it so we scored. Then we scored and again but then they scored. At the end of the first half it was 17 -5.

In the second half Falah scored thanks to Jeff's good run. Then South Lee scored and converted. We held them off for the rest of the game.

Final score was 22 – 12 to us.

V Littlegarth

We came onto the pitch with high hopes that we would win. They won the toss and chose to kick to us. The first half was very close and it finished 0- 0.

In the second half they scored 2 tries and converted them. The final score was 14 – 0 to them. The whole team played really well.

V Barnardiston B

We started the match with a great try from Tom Lovegrove making the first half 7-0. In the second half they scored but we scored thanks to Jeff and Falah making the final score 12 – 10 to us.

Man of the match Henry for making great runs.

By Falah Al-Rashidi

U12 Girls Netball and Hockey

V Barnardiston

After a bit of a detour we got to Barnardiston. I won the toss and had first centre push. With the absence of Emma, Katie, Bella and Rosie we did really well in attack by getting the ball several times and charging down the pitch. Unfortunately their defence got the ball and passed to their good attackers who scored.

Thanks to Cristina and Camilla we held them back for most of the game but they scored two more goals.

In the second half their umpire said they had another match waiting to play on the same pitch so this half would only be 10 minutes. We tried our best to best to score with a close miss from Cristina and Katie but they got the ball and scored whilst tripping up Harriet, our goalie in the mean time.

The final score was 4-0 to them. Thank you to Mrs Fenner for umpiring and men of the match Cristina and Katie for great attacking and defence throughout the game.

By Eleanor Thomas

V RHS

I lost the toss and they had first centre push. They looked a useful side but Katie soon got the ball and scored. They fought back and almost scored but thanks to Cristina and Harriet they cleared it giving it to Emma who scored. They then broke through our defence and scored.

In the second half we did a lot of swapping but we didn't score. They did get the ball several times but Issie our goalie saved them. Apart from Cristina falling over quite a lot they didn't get the ball again and Maria got the ball and scored, making the final score 3-1 to us.

Thank you to Mrs Fenner for umpiring, Matron for match tea and to all the supporters. Man of the match Emma for excellent play in attack and defence.

By Eleanor Thomas

U12 Boys Rugby

V Barnardiston

I lost the toss and we kicked again. They scored 1 then 2 then 3 then even 4 tries with our team making some superb tackles in an attempt to stop them. Oh and slipping over on the waterlogged pitch. Half time and a good team talk and the hope of 5 plus points we went back out. We held them off well but they got through and scored. After a high tackle on James Bradwell and a very apologetic ref it was last play and their biggest player (about Pan sized) making strong but slow run down the wing, out of nowhere James did an amazing tackle throwing their player straight into touch. The game ended with the score of 31 – 0 to Barnardiston.

Thank you to Mr Walton and Robs mum for transport and Barnardiston for match tea. Man of the match was James Bradwell for great play and tackling.

By James Watson

V Culford

James lost the toss (again) and they kicked off. We didn't get off to the best start in the world and let them score 3 quick and easy tries, which they converted easily. Then our captain Josh stepped up to the mark and scored a great try in the corner. Unfortunately I continued my missing streak and failed to convert. Then we really got going with James scoring two, and Pan scored a brilliant try leaving the defence behind and carrying the ball over the line.

Then after half time James seized the ball and charged for the line, there was only one man to beat (the smallest on the pitch). The little guy smashed James and picked him up and carried him about 5 yards. Then we lost the ball and they scored. They bought on their good players and they scored two tries. Then James scored two more and Ayush set me up and I scored in the corner. Then they scored 1 more and the game was over. Man of the match was James Watson. Final score was 42 -48 to Culford.

V Holmwood House 7's

Rob was captain for this match and we were playing 3 10-minute games as Mr Baty put it. They scored 3 and converted all of them and we didn't score any. In the second 10 minutes Pan scored 1 and Ayush scored one and Rob converted one. They scored one and they converted so we won that one. The Last 10 minutes they scored 2 and Pan scored 1 so they won.

Final score 35-28 Man of the match goes to Rob for amazing play.

V The Leys

The team played very well indeed and was led from the front by Joshua and James. Again Pan was in fine form with ball in hand and went over for a couple of tries. James Bradwell had a tidy game, as did Max Ellis who has played most positions this term. In the end The Leys with their several reserves were eventual winners but there was not much in it.

V Finborough

After being 0-15 down Moreton Hall started the mother of all comebacks and at the break was within 2 points of Finborough. A few simple errors cost points but the boys showed huge amounts of character to just go down 36-38. This was a great turn around from earlier in the season where Finborough had taken the game to us. Well-done boys!

House matches

Boys Touch Rugby

Winners- Edmund

Girls Hockey

Winners- Felix

Staff v Pupils

Netball

25-21 to the staff

Football

Drawn 7-7

Highlights from the 2nd half of term

- Ned 'Bone Crusher' Robertsons tackling again!!!
- Pan's steam rolling runs in the U12 Rugby again!!
- U11 Rugby runners up in 'B' League in the Moreton Hall Tournament
- Squash and /Badminton on Thursdays for Prep pupils
- Mr Ellis refereeing
- Squash and Badminton sessions
- Prep-prep football and netball skills!
- Falah AL-Rashidi leading by example as Captain in the Under 11 Rugby
- Eleanor Thomas continued excellent work as Hockey Captain
- Terrific input from Cristina, Maria and Prae in games
- Excellent Under 11 girls Hockey term
- Robert Day player of the week performances for Bury Rugby Club
- Katie Savage's excellent performances at Level 1 swimming galas
- Zadie Loft gaining Stage 6 in her swimming awards

Children awarded 'Colours' for excellence in sport:

- Iona Hopkinson- Junior Hockey
- Caitlin Justin- Junior Hockey
- Annie O'Rourke- Junior Hockey
- Cristina Diaz Perez- Senior Hockey
- Emma Jones- Senior Hockey
- Eleanor Thomas- Senior Netball
- Pan Pattanapeeradej- Senior Rugby
- Joshua Flowitt- Senior Rugby
- James Watson- Senior Rugby
- Ayush Kumar- Senior Rugby
- Ned Robertson- Colts Rugby
- Falah Al- Rashidi- Colts Rugby
- Benedict Hughes- Colts Rugby

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Congratulations to the following boys for gaining immediate selection to County Cricket or District cricket winter training squads:

- Alex Loft- Mid Suffolk
- Henry Dunhill – Suffolk
- Thomas Bastow- Suffolk
- Jonathan Stewart- Suffolk
- Robert Hopkinson – West Suffolk
- James Bradwell- Mid Suffolk
- Robert Wilson- Mid Suffolk
- Oscar Ellis- West Suffolk
- Harry Gale- Suffolk

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Already mentioned but Katie Savage gaining a SPORTS scholarship to Millfield School, a fantastic achievement! On top of this Katie has been training with the Satellite netball squad, which is basically an East of England training squad. So well done Katie!!

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On Sunday, 7th December, Harry Gale and John Forrest, both in Form 1V, participated in the Littleport Judo Championship. This championship attracted several clubs across East Anglia and the standard of Judo was very high throughout the day. I am very pleased to report that both Moreton Hall boys did well, with Harry gaining the gold medal and John gaining a bronze. Harry was exceptional and won all his contests in a very convincing manner. John, who was the smallest boy in the competition, fought well and deserved his bronze medal. I was impressed with how well both boys did and proud of their achievement. The Judo club meets on a Saturday morning from 9.30 am to 1pm and new members are very welcome.
David Etchells-Butler. 3rd Dan '

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The ‘**Occasionals**’ winter cricket training starts in earnest after the Christmas break. It will be on Sunday evenings from 7.30pm-8.30pm in the Sports Hall.

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Robert Wilson’s selection for Suffolk Squash. Well done Robert!

