

TRUST TALK

Celebrating 2017's sports achievements



Athletes and sports teams from across our Trust schools had their talents and achievements recognised at this year's Trust Sports Awards.

The event, at Corby Cube, was attended by hundreds of students, parents and teachers and hosted by our Trust Director of Sport, Kirstie Smith.

Special guests were tennis player Jade Windley, Freestyle footballer Jamie Knight and footballer Alistair Patrick Heselton. All three special guests presented the awards while Miss Smith read out all the sporting achievements of the nominated students. Thanks to everyone who made the evening so special, including the dancers from Thomas Clarkson Academy who did two routines.





Compass Primary students enjoying this year's sports day.

Kirstie Smith, the Trust's first Director of Sport, is so passionate about her subject that she hopes to drive up activity levels across our schools and implement a new strand specifically for elite athletes.

She combines her Trust role with teaching PE at Thomas Clarkson Academy: She said: 'My role is all about driving collaboration and improving standards of physical education. Sport is something I am passionate about, where I can have direct impact, make a difference and hopefully pass that passion on.'

'The Trust Heads of PE have been fantastic and everyone sees sport as a tool for whole school improvement as well as raising standards within their own PE departments. It sometimes is quite difficult co-ordinating events with five or ten schools at a time but everyone see the value and impact of the Trust-wide collaboration and the longer term aim is developing the excellent strand and having elite teams as well.'



Beanfield were proud winners of the Gamble Cup football competition, the first time the school has won it in 25 years!



KS2 students at Gretton took part in a rugby workshop organised by GRIT (Gretton Rugby in Touch).



Students from Oakley Vale took part in the Town Sports Day run by Northants Sports at Rockingham Triangle.



Cricketers from three of our Trust secondaries toured the Northants county ground before playing each other in a tri-tournament. They began the day with the tour, followed by a warm up session led by a county coach and Gareth Wade, one of Northamptonshire's professional players. They then played a tri-tournament.

The team from Brooke Weston Academy were the winners, followed by Kettering Science Academy with Thomas Clarkson Academy in third place. The event was organised by teacher William Baines from Kettering Science Academy.



Year 7,8 and 9 teams from TCA won rounders, rugby and netball tournaments in their local area.