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Dear Parents / Carers,

SPORTS UPDATE

Sports Clubs at St.Matthew's

This term we are offering **16 different Sports clubs** for children across the school. During the Spring and Summer terms we will offer a range of different sports clubs.

Hopefully, your child will attend one or more of our clubs. Some of our clubs are run by school staff and others with other carefully chosen partners, including **Premier Sport, Kinnerz Sport, CG Sports** and **Sunshine Dance**.

For new clubs this term, your child should have received a letter confirming their place at the club, with details of the start date, end date, coach, location and what they need to bring. If you are unsure if your child has a place at a club please see our school office staff or email :

mcollard@stmatthews.cambs.sch.uk

The sports clubs we are offering this term:

Premier Sport Football/multi Sports (Y1-6), Tennis (Y5/6), Zumbatomic dance (Y1/2), Ballet/Lyrical dance (KS2), Tag Rugby (Y5/6), Invasion Games (Y4/5/6), Maypole Club (KS2), Multi Sports Club (Y2/3/4), Netball Club (Y5/6), Cheerleading (Y1/2), Pop Steps Dance (KS2), Boys Football Club (Y5/6), Netball Club (Y3/4), Badminton Club (Y5/6), Multi Skills (Y1/2) and Girls Football Club (KS2). (please see website for timetable of clubs)

Club Start Dates

These clubs start on these dates:

Premier Sport Football/multi Sports (Y1-6)

Tennis (Y5/6)

Zumbatomic dance (Y1/2)

Ballet/Lyrical dance (KS2)

Tag Rugby (Y5/6)

Invasion Games (Y4/5/6)

Maypole Club (KS2)

Multi Sports Club (Y2/3/4)

MONDAY 14th September 2015

MONDAY 21st September 2015

TUESDAY 22nd September 2015

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MONDAY **starts after half term** (details to follow)

WEDNESDAY 23rd September 2015

Netball Club (Y5/6) follow)	WEDNESDAY starts after half term (details to follow)
Cheerleading (Y1/2)	THURSDAY 24 th September 2015
Pop Steps Dance (KS2)	THURSDAY 24 th September 2015
Boys Football Club (Y5/6)	THURSDAY 24 th September 2015
Badminton Club (Y5/6)	FRIDAY 25 th September 2015
Multi Skills (Y1/2)	FRIDAY 25 th September 2015
Girls Football Club (KS2)	FRIDAY 11 th September 2015

New sports Noticeboard

If you haven't yet discovered our **sports noticeboard**, it is situated in the corridor outside our sports hall. It contains details of the current terms clubs, photographs of a range of clubs and reports and photos of our sporting successes this year.

Intra-class competitions

This year we will continue to have **termly intra-class competitions**, where the children in each year group have competitive matches/activities with the other classes in their year groups, at the end of a unit of PE. These have been very popular with the children and have given them a stepping stone into some of our clubs, teams and competitions against other schools.

Inter-School Competitions

Last year we had great sporting successes in some of the competitions we entered, through the **Cambridge School sports Partnership (CSSP)** and the **Parkside Federation events**.

This year we have already entered the following events and competitions:

CSSP/Sainsbury's School Games Events:

Y5/6 CROSS COUNTRY	CSSP competition	November(tbc)	at NETHERHALL
Y5/6 TAG RUGBY	School Games comp	25/2/16	at SHELFORD RC
Y5/6 QUICKSTICKS HOCKEY	School Games comp	8/3/16	at ABBEY COMPLEX
Y5/6 NETBALL (B)	High Fives Netball	19/4/16	at NETHERHALL
Y5/6 NETBALL (A)	High Fives Netball	26/4/16	at NETHERHALL
Y3/4 TENNIS	School Games Mini Red	17/5/15	at CAMBRIDGE LTC
Y3/4 KWIK CRICKET	CSSP Competition	21/6/15	at SAWSTON CC
Y3 YOUTH SPORT GAMES	CSSP Multi Sports	28/6/15	at ABBEY COMPLEX

Parkside Federation Events:

Y5/6 TAG RUGBY COMP	Parkside Federation	19/10/15	at COLERIDGE
Y5/6 BOYS FOOTBALL Round 1	Parkside Federation	14/3/16	at COLERIDGE
Y5/6 BOYS FOOTBALL Round 2	Parkside Federation	18/4/16	at COLERIFGE
Y5/6 GIRLS FOOTBALL COMP	Parkside Federation	25/4/16	at COLERIDGE
Y5/6 BOYS FOOTBALL Finals	Parkside Federation	9/5/16	at COLERIDGE
Y3/4 QUICK STICKS HOCKEY	Parkside Federation	23/5/16	at COLERIDGE
Y5/6 ROUNDERS	Parkside Federation	27/6/15	at COLERIDGE

Your child will receive a letter if they are chosen to represent the school at these events.

Parkside Federation Sports Festivals

Each year group (Y1-5) will take part in one or more **Sports Festivals** this year, competing in events with other local schools, organised by Parkside Federation Sports Leaders.

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who?</u>	<u>When?</u>	<u>Where?</u>
Year 1 classes	Tennis festival	Parkside Schools	28/6/16	at Cambridge LTC
Year 2 classes	Multi Sports festival	Parkside Schools	7/10/15	at Parker's Piece
	& Multi Sports festival	Parkside Schools	27/4/16	at Parker's Piece
Year 3 classes	Multi Sports festival	Parkside Schools	21/10/15	at Parker's Piece
	& Multi Sports festival	Parkside Schools	11/5/16	at Parker's Piece
Year 4 classes	Multi Sports festival	Parkside Schools	11/11/15	at Parker's Piece
	& Multi Sports festival	Parkside Schools	25/5/16	at Parker's Piece
Year 5 classes	Multi Sports festival	Parkside Schools	15/6/15	at Parker's Piece

You will receive information about these festivals from class teachers.

High Level Coaching at St. Matthew's

This year many of our children will benefit from high level Curriculum Sports coaching from CSSP coaches:

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Coach</u>	<u>When?</u>
Year 1	Tennis	Neil O'Donohue	Summer Term 2016
Year 2	Multi Sports	Steve Taylor	Spring Term 2016
Year 3	Gymnastics	Viktorija Markovics	Summer Term 2016
Year 4	Netball	Lisa Woolfe	Autumn Term 2015
Year 5	Cricket	Steve Taylor	Summer Term 2016
Year 6	Tag Rugby	Neil O'Donohue	Autumn Term 2015

Community Club links

We have developed links with a number of outside school community sports clubs, across a range of sports, so if your child is interested in joining a club or team for a particular sport, please see Mr. Collard or Mr. Wellington or visit the **Cambridge School Sports Partnership Website**:

<http://www.cambridgessp.com/clubs.php> which has a comprehensive list of local clubs, with contact details.

Young Sports Leaders

Our Year 6 Young Sports Leaders have already begun running sports activities for our younger children, during lunchtimes.

We will soon be recruiting and training some of our Year 5 children to become our next group of Sports leaders. If you require more information please contact Mr. Wellington:

mwellington@stmatthews.cambs.sch.uk

Swimming at Parkside Pools

This year will, once again, be sending **all of our children, in Years1-6, for swimming lessons at Parkside Pools**, for a whole term. We have always shown a massive commitment into providing lessons for our children, above and beyond the minimum required. **We are the only school in the city who offer children below Year 3 swimming lessons on a regular basis.** We are also funding **three swimming teachers** at Parkside for every class lesson, to enable your children to be taught in small groups, suitable to their individual needs. By starting swimming lessons in Year 1 we are seeing a big increase in the number of our children who meet the National Curriculum target of being able to swim at least 25m by the end of Year 6. Our commitment to swimming is really providing our children with the best possible opportunity to learn to swim, develop different strokes and for our more competent swimmers, to develop deep water skills and water safety skills. Due to our commitment to swimming, we have successfully applied for grants from the City Council to support the school in meeting the additional costs of providing three swimming teachers for every class, rather than the standard two.

Year 5 & 6 classes are swimming this term (11/9/15 to 11/11/15)

Year 3 & 4 classes will swim in the Spring term (7/8 Jan 2016 to 17/18 March 2016)

Year 1 & 2 classes will swim in the Summer term (14/15 April 2016 to 14/15 July 2016)

School Sports Council

We are currently in the process of establishing our first **St.Matthew's School Sports Council**, led by our **Bronze Sports Ambassadors** (Keir Harper and Serena Blackwood). This council will meet regularly to help organise and plan sporting events and activities across the school. This will give our children the chance to shape and develop our sporting provision, and ensure that our children across the school have a clear means of discussing sport related matters. The Sports Council will have their own noticeboard to inform pupils of upcoming events, match reports, minutes from meetings and future discussion items.

I hope your child will enjoy the sports opportunities we are offering them this year, both in our Curriculum PE lessons, extra-curricular clubs, sports festivals and competitions, sports day, competitive matches, Intra-class competitions or by being a Sports Leader.

If you have any **comments, feedback or questions regarding any aspect of PE or Sport at St.Matthew's please contact me by email.** If you have any suggestions for new clubs you or your children would like us to offer please let me know and if you can offer coaching expertise in a sport and would like to discuss this further please contact me.

Thank you to everyone who is supporting us this year in enabling us to deliver such a comprehensive range of sporting opportunities for our children.

Yours sincerely,

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