Sporting successes!

The Firs have impressed across a huge range of competitions and events this year. The Y5&6 boys' football team got our sporting stars off to a fantastic start by winning their group at the Sale and Partington League with an undefeated run of matches in the autumn term. The year 4,5 and 6 cross country runners impressed at the Ashton on Mersey cross country event back in November, with a 3rd place finish overall and some fantastic individual performances. Y6 athletes secured a 3rd place finish at the Trafford Sports Hall Athletics heats in January and the Y1 & 2 footballers performed brilliantly to be crowned runners up in the A-o-M indoor football competition in February. With a victory for Y2 at the Ashton multi-skills festival in March and a clean sweep for the Firs at the Y2 kick rounders competition, we've obviously got many years of sporting success ahead. All the children have demonstrated excellent sportsmanship at every opportunity and we're extremely proud of their achievements!

We've been lucky enough to have received some expert coaching this year from Sale Sharks, who have been working with year 3 as part of their Tackling Numbers programme. The children have enjoyed weekly tag rugby coaching sessions, as well as some sports-based maths activities. They're looking forward to putting their new skills into practice at the Sale Sharks schools festival later this month. We're also being visited by Cheshire County Cricket Club who will be working with year 4 during the summer term. Although we've had some fantastic help from visitors to the school, we're also training up the next generation of sporting leaders. Back in the autumn term—with lots of help from Mrs Craig—Y5&6 led a series of inter team lunchtime competitions in dodgeball, netball, basketball and football. In May, year 5 did a brilliant job of leading and umpiring the Y1&2 kick rounders competition for four local schools, while year 6 helped to run a fantastic sports day for Key Stage 1.

Not only have both the boys and girls' football teams had a fantastic year on the pitch, they've also been impressing in the style stakes. We've been lucky enough to have a brand new kit to parade, sponsored by local firm Dane Bank Flooring. Both teams did brilliantly in the Sale & Partington Leagues this year and we owe coaches Simon and Connie a huge thankyou for all their support!