

PE Department News.

ISA Midlands U15's Rounders @ Tettenhall

The U15 rounders squad travelled to Tettenhall College on Monday 29th April to compete in the ISA Rounders competition.

After narrowly losing out in the U13 finals two years ago to the hosts Tettenhall College, the girls were adamant to bring home the victory this time. They were placed in a tough group with 5 other strong schools but soon got to work. Their first game to Dixie grammar was a convincing win 7 rounders to 3.5. All players fielded exceptionally well, and Lucinda Kirkham and Sofia Merlin batting confidently. Game after game the girls improved their performances, communication in the field was excellent and the opposing teams just couldn't score against us. Lottie Tocknell had a fantastic batting game against Arnold Lodge totting up 3 rounders with her left handed hit. The girls came through the rounds as winners of group and met Stafford A team in the semifinals.

This was a closer game 3.5-1.5 but the girls worked hard and got the win!

The girls saved their best performances for the final against Twycross School. They all made great runs to get to second post to get the half rounder score.

Lottie Fairchild scored 2 rounders with great hits.

They all worked together in the field backing up posts, and Mathilda Penny made sure their strongest batter didn't make it around to score with her accurate fast throw from deep in the field. Everyone did their jobs, and it was a very well-deserved convincing win of 6.5rounders -1.5 WIN to bring home the trophy. A great achievement for the team. Well done.



SWSSA Athletics Y5/6

With the start of the summer term all students not only begin the cricket season but also the athletics season as we prepare for the ISA Athletics events later in this term. On Monday, Bowbrook house hosted the South Worcestershire Games years 5 and 6 athletics event with 5 schools joining us for an afternoon of competitive athletics.

All students from Bowbrook were expected to participate in a minimum of 2 events and each student did their very best to finish in the highest place they could. Congratulations must go to the following students for their results and ribbons awarded: Hollie 75m, Jemimah 150m, Sam 300m, Oscar Cricket ball throw, Harper Rounders ball throw, Fabian Long Jump, Anna Long Jump.



ISA Midlands U13's Rounders @ Tettenhall

The U13's jumped on the bus full of enthusiasm and energy. When we arrived, the team discussed strategies - and decided how to work together as a team.

Our first match was against Arnold Lodge which was close loss. The girls showed teamwork and communicated excellently throughout.

Our second match was against Stafford Grammar, which was our toughest game of the day! The Girls played wonderfully and were more fluid with the fielding allowing for a narrower gap. Unfortunately, more of us were caught out in this one.

Our third match was against Dixie Grammar. This was our toughest game of the day, but the girls didn't let the score dampen the mood. We had some excellent hits during this game, but pushed ourselves a little too far, leading quite a few to be stumped out.

Our fourth and final match was against Highclaire. This was the friendliest match of the day, and even though it was another loss, we had our highest score of rounders throughout the 4 matches. The girls had improved upon their fielding throughout the game, and put everything out on the line.

The girls were fantastic ambassadors for the school and many teachers said how excellent our sportsmanship was. Well done girls.



U13's Cricket vs Bredon (H)

Tuesday saw a mix of our U12's and U13's take on Bredon trying to build on the win from last week against Heathfield. Agreeing on 12 overs to be played, the Bowbrook team won the toss and decided to field first.

Opening the bowling for Bowbrook Tom, got the team off to a flying start taking a wicket only 3 balls into the match. As if this wasn't enough for Tom, he then dispatched the batter with the 4th ball.

Filled with confidence at Bredon being 6/2 after the first over, the Bowbrook team fell into the trap of gifting runs with complacency. The 3rd wicket fell in the 7th over as captain, George, took the next wicket with the final Bredon wicket being taken by Alfie in the 8th over. Bredon finished their innings with 56 runs and the best scorer being player W. Ide with 31 runs ... 😊

Bowbrook started the batting slowly with Jack and Ollie making their debut's for Bowbrook this year. Both did well to get bat on ball but the first wicket fell in the second over with a score of 4/1. As the innings progressed, the team knew that they needed to score runs quickly as the 12 overs would soon run out and the partnership of Pasquale and James saw the Bowbrook team catch the Bredon score in the 11th over. Bowbrook took the victory with a score of 57/7



U16's Cricket vs Bredon (H)

Wednesday saw Bredon return to play Bowbrook at Peopleton CC and leg 2 of the U16's match. Filled with confidence from their win the previous week, the Bowbrook team took to the bat and were immediately put under pressure by the Bredon bowlers.

The wickets fell quickly for Bowbrook as the team found themselves on the back foot throughout the innings. Players who had previously put big scores in previous matches found themselves dismissed early and the team struggled to pick up run momentum. From being 6/3 at the end of the second over, the team did pull themselves together and ended their innings with 81 runs in 15 overs. Well done to Theo on his batting performance, contributing with 22 runs including a huge shot for 6.

Coming into bowl, the Bowbrook team had to field furiously and with increased aggression from the previous week. There was an improvement seen with the team being more agile and aware on the pitch as Bredon pushed to add the runs. Theo took the first wicket in the 4th over with Sid making the catch for the second Bredon wicket from Luca's bowl, but the

Bredon batsmen were in for a boundary led innings. Bredon caught the Bowbrook score in the 13th over and claimed the victory today. 1-1 in the Bowbrook/Bredon series and two competitive games of cricket in successive weeks for the U16's

U16's Rounders vs Tettenhall College (A)

The U16's went to Tettenhall to play a very competitive game of rounders. This was an excellent opportunity for some of our year 11 students to represent the school before they leave for study leave.

The girls played well and used to bus journey to plan out their strategy.

The first innings didn't go in our favour, with 3 batters out on the first bowl. The girls were shouting and screaming support and tactics to encourage their teammates when in the field, as well as batting.

The second innings was much stronger! We were able to catch 5 out of their 9 players out, which is spectacular. The fielding aspect drastically improved in the second innings. Well done to our batters this round for pushing themselves to get ½ or whole rounders.

Well done to all the girls who played in the match, and well done to year 11 for representing the school beautifully.



U14's Cricket vs Kingham Hill (H)

Having waited patiently for their fixture to come around, the U14's got their cricket season started with a thrilling 100 ball encounter against Kingham Hill at Peopleton CC. After an evening of rain the pitch remained slightly damp and both teams had to deal with a ball that did not bounce very much on the wicket.

Bowbrook won the toss and decided to bowl first. As is customary with the 100 style, each team had 20 overs to bowl of 5 balls an over. Archie got the game off to a good start with the first wicket falling in the 4th over and a score of 19/1. Kingham showed their intent from the outset, running quick singles as much as they could and pressurising the Bowbrook fielders. More wickets could have fallen within the first 3 overs but small errors in the field kept Kingham going. The next wicket was taken by the captain, Cameron, as he sent the Kingham batsman out on 23/2.

Bowbrook continued to bowl well with the next wicket coming from Oli, catching the edged shot from Tom R's delivery, closely followed by Harrison getting a second wicket in successive games. Kingham 45/4. The next wicket fell at the hands of Lucca in the 17th over before Cameron took the final wicket of the innings in the 20th. Kingham finished their innings 124/6.

Opening the batting for Bowbrook, Tom and George took to the wickets. Starting slowly, both batsmen made some nicely struck shots, pushing the Kingham team to field quickly. George was dispatched in the 8th over with Bowbrook at 38/1 and Lucca took his place. The next wicket fell in the 14th over as Tom had a wicket taken on 80/2. Cameron entered the batting with Lucca, both determined to swing for the ball and get the runs needed to catch Kingham.

The next wicket to fall was Cameron in the 17th Over 94/3 who was replaced by Archie. As the end of the match, and the score drew closer, Lucca (who had a very good day bat in hand) got bowled in the 20th over. With 2 balls to go Bowbrook were on 122/4... 2 runs needed for the win, Charley B replaced Lucca and facing his first ball took 1 run leaving Archie on strike for the final ball. 1 run need to draw Archie swung at the ball, clearly pushing to get Bowbrook the win, and the ball bounced low as it had all game and the bails fell. A very closely contested game that all players can be proud of. Well done to all who played and to Lucca who was named player of the match.



Students should check the PE notice board to see if they are involved in fixtures.

Tuesday 7th May

U13's Boys Cricket vs Kingham Hill (A)

U13's Girls Cricket vs Bredon (H)

Wednesday 8th May

U15's Cricket vs Heathfield (H)