

Y4 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

School Games Level 2 Y4 Football Tournament



Thank you to all of the schools who entered our recent Y4 football tournament which was hosted by Seaton Sluice Middle School. 10 teams competed to become Area Champions and win a coveted place at the Level 3 Northumberland School Games finals later in the year.



Before kicking off with the matches pupils were reminded of the School Games values and urged to compete within the Spirit of the Games. The importance of respect was highlighted with pupils agreeing that they should respect the referees and their decisions, as well as respecting the opposition by winning and losing gracefully and of course demonstrating self-respect by giving their best effort at all times.



The teams were split into two pools of 5 teams and completed a round robin competition. All of the matches were officiated by young referees from Seaton Sluice Middle School who were able to keep the matches flowing but also ensure fair play. A number of spectators braved the strong sea winds and were treated to some exciting matches. A last minute goal saw New Hartley B team beat Beaconhill A team 3-2 in one of the most closely contested matches. Seaton Sluice First School's goal scorers were on fire with an impressive 37 goals in their opening 4 matches. Burnside A team showed their defensive dominance in the group stage keep a clean sheet throughout.

It was fantastic to see the effort put in by all players, all of the matches were played in a competitive but friendly spirit and there was much anticipation to see which teams had progressed onto the semi-finals. From Pool A Seaton Sluice and Holywell First Schools finished on equal points, with Seaton Sluice edging top spot with their impressive goal difference. In Pool B it was Burnside and last year's winners Craggside Primary who went through.

The standard of football was raised for the semi-finals with all 4 teams showing great skill, and determination. The results led to an all Seaton Valley final with both Seaton Sluice and Holywell hoping to improve on their 0-0 draw in the group stages. The final saw end to end action and Seaton Sluice twice hit the woodwork before Holywell made the opening score. The second half was just as exciting, Holywell were crowned champions after scoring a second goal just before the final whistle.

As always, we must thank our hosts Seaton Sluice Middle School and their fabulous sports leaders. Thanks also to all of the team managers who prepared pupils for the competition and finally to all the competitors who made it an exciting and enjoyable morning. Congratulations to Holywell Village First School and Good Luck in your quest to become Northumberland County Champions!

RESULTS

- 1st Holywell Village First School
- 2nd Seaton Sluice First School
- = 3rd Craggside Primary School & Burnside Primary School A
- = 4th New Hartley First School A & New Hartley First School B
- = 5th Beaconhill Primary School B & Burnside Primary School B
- = 6th Beaconhill Primary School B & Eastlea Primary School

