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#### **Sports Newsletter - March 2024**

Dear Parents, Carers and children of The Willows,

What a busy month March has been! We started the month with Fitness Friday for children in reception, years 4, 5 and 6 with lots of fun had by all taking part in a Disney challenge, table tennis and orienteering.

We have had lots of football matches to report on including a trip to the Regional Finals for the girls football team.

We have nearly finished the cross country season taking some children forward to the city race after Easter.

We had our town swimming gala which was a huge success and watched our amazing Year 5 children at the Victoria Hall dancing. It has been an extremely busy month and I am now ready for a lie down before we start again with lots of exciting things after Easter.

Please continue to email me your out of school sporting successes - ssmalley1@willowsprimary.com

Miss Smalley

#### **March's results**

The boys have played a lot of games this month in order to finish off their football season.

They played St John's at home on Friday 1st March winning the game 2-0.

On Tuesday 5th March we welcomed Stoke Minster boys and girls to The Willows to play two games. The boys drew 2-2 in a very exciting game. The girls won 18-0.

We then took the boys away to Harpfields on Thursday 7th March where the boys played a great game against fierce competition resulting the game ending 0-0.

The boys finished their season this week welcoming Oakhill to the Willows for another exciting game ending in 7-0 to Oakhill.

The boys have made us extremely proud this season, they have been unlucky in quite a few games but always have a smile on their faces and represent The Willows and themselves incredibly! I can't wait to celebrate them at the sports awards evening at the end of the year! Well done Boys!

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Our fantastic swim team! Look at all of those medals! Girls came first and as a team we came second overall.

Looking forward to the city gala later on in the year with Josiah, Jaacob, Audrey, Zeina, Aoife, Ellie, Bluebell and Amelia representing Stoke.

A huge well done to everyone!





I took these amazing girls to Fenton Manor for a Disney inspired football afternoon. They were all amazing and had a fantastic time!

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We have quite a wet cross country season meaning that I don't have a photo of the team but they have competed in 4 town races and we have come away with some fantastic results!
A huge well done to
Aaryan
Alfie
Aoife
Audrey
Bradley
Christos
Daiwik
Daria
Lizzie
Ellie M
Elliot
Hasnaat
Isabelle
Jude
Kaison
Lexie-Mae
Lily C
Marleigh-Mae
Sam
Thomas M
Tyra
An extra well done to the following children who have been selected to represent Stoke in the City race after Easter
Daria
Isabelle
Lizzie
Bradley and Jude!

#### March's results



Where to start about this amazing group of girls!

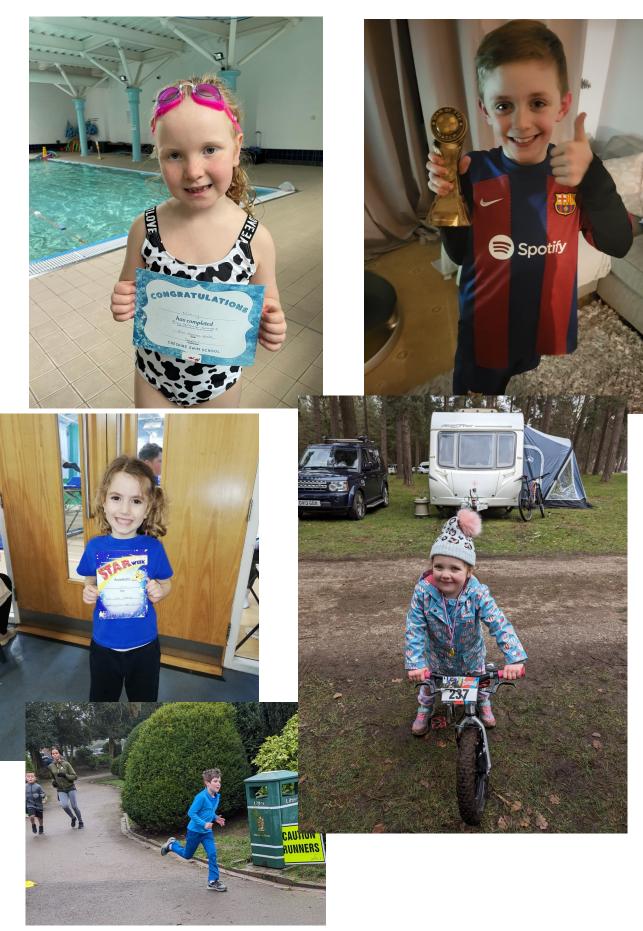
Myself and Mrs Ellis took them to Derby County Training Ground on Friday 8th March for the regional finals where they represented Stoke City. The bus journey there was a mixture of nervousness and excitement with lots of questions being thrown to

the front of the bus. We arrived and had our lunch and found where we were playing. The girls played all the games in their group and won every game. We then went to the semi-finals and won again. We faced Derby County in the finals and this was



the most challenged game we had. It was 1-1 at full time meaning 3 minutes extra time. Myself and Mrs Ellis were nervously watching from the sidelines bouncing up and down the whole time with nervous energy. The girls scored 2 more goals meaning the final ended 3-1. All day the girls conducted themselves amazingly, being excellent sportswomen, great team mates and outstanding ambassadors of The Willows. We look forward to taking them to the national finals!

## Out of school sporting successes



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# Fitness Friday for Year 4!





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