

# 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 cold sea air and were treated to some exciting matches.

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. In Pool A Seaton Sluice First and Burnside B finished on equal points, with 3 wins and a draw against each other. Seaton Sluice edging top spot with their impressive goal difference. In Pool B it was Burnside and last year's winners Holywell 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 a Holywell v Burnside A final, a repeat of an earlier group game. The final saw end to end action with Holywell opening the scoring early on and then trying to hang on to their lead. By half time the score was 2-1 and the excitement in the crowd was at its' peak. The second half was just as exciting, Holywell were crowned champions after scoring a third 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

- 1<sup>st</sup> Holywell Village First School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Burnside A
- = 3<sup>rd</sup> Seaton Sluice First School & Burnside Primary School B
- = 4<sup>th</sup> New Hartley First School A & Cragside Primary School A
- = 5<sup>th</sup> New Hartley First School School B & Cragside Primary School B
- = 6<sup>th</sup> Burnside Primary School C & Eastlea Primary School

