## Cramlington and Seaton Valley Sports Awards

At the annual sports awards event on 30th November 2017 Eastlea were recognised four times for awards in different categories.



- 1. We secured the GOLD School Games award for the 4th time in succession making us the only school in Cramlington to have achieved this. If we can retain GOLD for a 5th year then we can make a bid to become PLATINUM award winners for 2017-18.
- 2. We were **HIGHLY COMMENDED** for the 'Community Impact' special award.
- 3. We were HIGHLY COMMENDED for the 'Participation in PE and School Sports' award.
- 4. We were **WINNERS** (for the second time) of the most prestigious award of the night...for 'Promoting and Demonstrating the school games Values'.

This is what was said about Eastlea when the award was presented - we are rightly very proud of this achievement:

It is now time for our most prestigious award, which is for Promoting and Demonstrating the School Games Values. The six values are passion, self-belief, respect, honesty, determination and teamwork and this award goes to the school whose pupils and staff have clearly embraced these not only in PE, school sport and competition, but all aspects of school life.

This school embrace the School Games Values as the backbone to the ethos of the school, as they encompass the values that they want their children to strive for. The values feature widely in everything they do; staff and children are passionate and show true dedication to embedding these values.

When attending sports events, children try their best and demonstrate the School Games Values, not only in their performance but in their attitude and effort. Their passion for competing and determination to do their best is always evident, with pupils playing as a team, showing respect for each other, the opposition, referees and coaches.

At this school there is a determination to include everybody so that pupils can experience as many different sports and opportunities as possible. Achievement is celebrated at weekly assemblies where children's passion is acknowledged by sharing sporting successes at clubs and activities completed in their own time. These children then join the school's Sporting Stars wall display.

There are weekly challenges such as the running club where staff have set up their own Golden Footsteps Challenge. Pupils were so determined to do well, having such self-belief and passion

that they not only attended the club and worked through the existing footstep challenges, but they also had to introduce Platinum and then Diamond stages. A cross country challenge was also introduced; with pupils who attended then competing at Gateshead Stadium. Staff and pupils use the skills learned through this to help others, for example participating in the Greggs Children's Cancer run for the 10th time. The school also raised money for various charities through Welly Walks, skipping and running.

By displaying the School Games Values within each classroom and regularly discussing them within lessons and assemblies this school ensures that the children not only understand the values but strive to show them within the school day. Staff reward children who demonstrate these and in Year 6 they are the basis for their weekly superhero nominations, where children nominate their peers who have demonstrated one or more of the values in that week.

This school embody the School Games and Sport Partnership programme, and we learn so much about what is possible by seeing what they are able to achieve. For this reason they are receiving this prestigious award for a second time.

The award for Promoting and Demonstrating the School Games Values goes to Eastlea Primary School.

