

# L.J.S SPORTS

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## Cricket

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May

### **Under 9 Kwik Cricket**

An enthusiastic and athletic LJS team arrived at Copthill School in readiness for an afternoon tournament of Kwik cricket.

**LJS 212-4      Copthill 216-6**

In a hotly contested first match, the LJS batsmen found it difficult to brake the shackles of the home side and could only muster 212-4, despite the best efforts of six shooter, Freddie Stewart. In reply, LJS fielded with commitment. Some great catches from Stewart and Toby Flowers kept thing really tight and going into the last over the match could have gone either way. A run out off the penultimate ball left things on a knife edge but William Efford's outswinging yorker was edged away for an extremely narrow loss.

**LJS 233-2      Grantham 215-4**

After such a tough first game, LJS were clearly galvanised going into their second game. Runs flowed more freely as Patrick Boyle joined Freddie Stewart in smashing boundaries. The game looked to be close until Tom Bone entered the action. In eight balls he swung the match completely by bowling two Grantham batsmen and running out a third. From that point on LJS cruised.

**LJS 255-3      Peterborough High 212-5**

With confidence growing, LJS demolished Peterborough to end the mini tournament in second. Flowers and Efford went run crazy and an impressive partnership between Boyle and Dan Poulter took the score up to an imposing 255. Peterborough were unable to get close as Poulter and Will Parkinson took early wickets. Boyle finished the job off with a wicket maiden.

### **Under 11 Kwik Cricket**

LJS Under 11's, well drilled and disciplined, hit the floor running in this mini tournament with an encouraging win over Peterborough High.

**LJS 265-2      Peterborough 246-0**

Big partnerships between Alex Richardson and Alec Mickel, Sam Jinks and James Foreman enabled LJS to post a strong total of 265. Despite not taking any wickets, tidy bowling and fielding kept Peterborough at arms length. Jinks' 'death' bowling was particularly impressive.

**LJS 272-2      Grantham 236-2**

LJS were able to post a really imposing total of 272, courtesy of Jinks, Foreman, Angus Raby and Peter Langsdale. Langsdale then completed a good all round performance by picking up a wicket and strangling the Grantham batsmen. Raby also enjoyed a good spell of bowling.

**LJS 271-0      Copthill 272-0**

In a 'final' between two unbeaten teams not a single wicket was taken as bat dominated ball. Consistent batting throughout enabled LJS to total 271. Jinks and Foreman again enjoyed the batting conditions with a flurry of boundaries. In reply, LJS were able to keep it tight throughout much of the second innings, with James Tonks starring in the field. The last Copthill pair needed a distant 34 runs but in a nerve jangling ending they scared home off the very last ball condemning LJS to second place overall.

### **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May**

On a gloriously sunny May afternoon, LJS welcomed The Perse from Cambridge. Super bowling from Alex Efford (4 wickets) and Sam Jinks (2) put The Perse in trouble until Zaman scored a valuable 31 not out. Peter Langsdale picked up the other wicket.

LJS looked in good shape to chase down that total, especially after Efford (23) and captain James Tonks (21) had an unbroken 50 stand for the first wicket. In an attempt to chase down the target score though, Laxton batsmen began to take risks and wickets started to tumble. By the end 112 proved to be just too many.

**The Perse      112-7      LJS      80-7**

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### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June

#### LJS Under 9 B 237-0 v Wisbech B 249-0

In facing Wisbech, the LJS boys toiled hard as the home team scored 249-0. Guy Poulter and Harry Potter kept things tight. The score was always a challenge but Dan Poulter raced between the wickets to keep the game interesting.

#### LJS Under 9 A 245-4 v Wisbech A 220-3

Aggressive bowling from Tom Bone, William Efford and William Parkinson restricted Wisbech to just 220. With a small target in sight, LJS set off at a fast pace. Runs aplenty from Patrick Boyle, Zac Atkinson and Efford made light of the target for a

convincing win.

### Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

#### LJS U10 309-1 Ayscoughfee U11 217-4

On a beautiful sunny afternoon, the LJS boys were able to bask in the glory of a huge victory against inexperienced opponents.

Ed Jinks and Alec Mickel got the innings off to a flying start with a partnership of 27 runs. The middle order consolidated this before skipper Alex Richardson and Peter Langsdale battered 38 from the final two overs.

In reply, the LJS boys made the ball 'talk' with exhibitions of swing bowling from James Foreman, Mickel and Langdale. Good catches were taken and the fielding was aggressive.

### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May

#### Kwik Cricket

#### LJS U9 256-3 Stamford 257-3

In a thriller, LJS were pipped by Stamford. Batting first, LJS posted a respectable score courtesy of William Efford and Zac Atkinson's efforts. In chasing, Stamford were always in the hunt. Efford picked up an early wicket while Patrick Boyle and Toby Flowers stemmed the run chase. In a close finish, Tom Bone could not prevent the batsmen from scraping home.

#### Kimbolton 270-2

#### LJS U9 251-4

As the fielders wilted in the afternoon sun, Kimbolton made hay and racked up a big score. Boyle weighed in with both wickets but the innings carried momentum. The LJS batsmen knew they had a big job on their hands and William Parkinson and Boyle gave the innings a good start. Atkinson and Rufus Sumner played some big shots but gradually the chase ran out of steam.

#### Wellingborough 241-5 LJS U9 258-2

The home team played aggressively from the outset but were pegged back by wickets from Bone, Atkinson, Parkinson and Efford. Patrick Boyle completed a fine all round performance with a rare wicket maiden. In reply, LJS coasted home with Parkinson smashing a 6. Boyle ended the game with three consecutive fours.



### Wednesday 16th June

On Wednesday afternoon LJS hosted a cricket pairs game against Wisbech Grammar in glorious cricket weather. Wisbech batted first and scored steadily over their twenty overs posting a target of 185 runs. Our boys set about reaching this target in lively fashion, running between the wickets like hares. The last over and 16 runs to win. We needed 4 from the last ball to draw, a 6 to win. We scored 3- but what a finish! A very well done to our team comprised of: Adithya Menon, John Stubbs, William Conellan, Sam Ratcliffe, Jonas Volkwein, Findlay Taylor, Jason Parker and Henry Orlebar.

A 20-20 match to rival anything and kept our very own Barmy Army awake.

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## Year 2 and 3 Athletics

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May

**Athletics at Witham Hall**

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May, almost 30 athletes from Years 2 and 3 attended an event of Olympic proportions at Witham Hall. The weather was glorious and the team were extremely well supported by an enthusiastic set of Parents.

The Year Two boys put in a great show to finish second out of 5 teams. Freddie Stevenson had a great afternoon, finishing first in the long jump, second in the object pick up and fourth in the sprint. He was also part of the relay team, along with Archie Thorpe, Carlos Trotter and Sean Buckley that came second. Sam Blair came second in the obstacle race and Rhett Bianchi won the throwing competition by miles!

The Year Two girls had a spectacular result in finishing first. Isabella Baird flew home first in the sprint and came second in the throwing while Emily Jones won twice, as a thrower ( to complete a 1-2 for LJS) and as a skipper. The relay team of Jones, Baird, Eve Simpson and Eve Wright came second.

The Year 3 boys managed a pleasing second place. Rufus Sumner put in a golden run in the sprint and then jumped further than anyone else! Zach Atkinson, using all of his cricketing prowess won the throwing competition by a huge distance. The relay team of Sumner, Atkinson, Jamie Buckley and Calum Fryatt came home in second.

The Year 3 girls completed a very good afternoon with a second place finish, missing out on first by just one point. Charlotte Sethna skipped to first, while Lois Dunning jumped there! Amy Ratcliffe hurdled to the finish line before anyone else and then helped the relay squad of herself, Dunning, Sethna and Francesca Hartley to fly home.

Many congratulations to all of the competitors, supporters and teachers for all contributing in their own ways to making it such a successful and enjoyable afternoon.

## Sports Day

Sports Day was again a resounding success. Many thanks to all those Parents who have already taken the time to mail me with constructive comments. We are already planning for 2011 and would welcome any further comments, which should be directed to [gbt@laxtonjunior.org.uk](mailto:gbt@laxtonjunior.org.uk).

Congratulations go to Whitmore for the magnificent victory. There were over 50 school records broken on the day and these can be viewed in the school Reception area. I am also able to mail a copy of them across. Sadly it is an 8 page document and could not fit in this newsletter!

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## Swimming

On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June, LJS welcomed Grantham Prep, Peterborough High, Stamford Junior and Bishop Stortford College to Oundle Pool for the annual Gala.

Amid great excitement, the LJS team got off to a flying start with wins in the individual races for Katherine Warwick (twice) and Sophie Crowther. As the tournament progressed three teams moved clear to challenge for the trophies. Going into the relays, LJS were close. The Under 9 team of Harriet White, Katherine Warwick, Dan Poulter and Patrick Boyle won both the Medley and Freestyle events but in the end LJS were just pipped into third.

STAMFORD JR	89
BISHOP STORTFORD	88
LJS	84

## LJS & Oundle School v Bishop Stotford School Away Swimming Gala

On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2010, 45 pupils from Laxton Junior School and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Form Oundle School attended an away swimming gala fixture against Bishop Stortford College, who are a strong competitive team.

The enthusiasm and support of all the children was excellent to see. Ex Laxton Junior School pupils Alice Poulter, Daisy Tebbutt (Berrystead) and Finnian Basely along with Jimmy Kong (Berrystead) mentored the young swimmers on the poolside before the start of each race.

The team spirit was very evident and a special mention must go to Harriet White and Sophie Crowther (Form 3) for representing the Under 10 Girls team at the last minute.

There are too many Personal Bests that were broken to mention at this event which was swum over a 25m distance.

Top Results for the day were:

### MEDLEY RELAYS

3 FIRST PLACES for U10, U12 Girls & U13 Boys

### BACKSTROKE

2 FIRST PLACES for U10 Girls & U13 Boys

4 SECOND PLACES for U11, U12, U13 Boys & U13 Girls

### BREAST STROKE

1 FIRST PLACE for U10 Girls

4 SECOND PLACES for U10, U12, U13 Girls & U13 Boys

### BUTTERFLY

2 FIRST PLACES for U10 & U12 Girls

3 SECOND PLACES for U10, U13 Girls & U13 Boys

### FREESTYLE

1 FIRST PLACE for U13 Boys

3 SECOND PLACES U10, U12 Girls & U12 Boys

### FREESTYLE RELAYS

2 FIRST PLACES for U12 Girls & U13 Boys

We look forward to more success in the future, very well done to all.

Julie Clipstone & Lorraine Gow