# Sport



Our girls' cricket team won the National title at Lord's and while we enjoy celebrating the success of our talented pupils, it is far more important that we develop a lifelong passion for sport among all our young people. Every child in the school has had the opportunity to participate in representative sport across more than 20 disciplines. Alongside the core sports pupils have nurtured a passion for activities such as climbing, sailing, canoeing and shooting.

The introduction of 'Team of The Week' has ensured that pupils participating in lower level teams gain recognition in assemblies alongside National Champions.

We continue to be hugely proud of our inspirational alumni; James Guy and Cameron Kurle competed for Great Britain in Rio with James winning two silver medals as part of the relay teams. Simon Mantell returned to the Olympic Hockey team with more than 200 senior caps. Cricketers Daniel Bell-Drummond and Ben Duckett batted for England Lions scoring a record 367 against Sri Lanka 'A' and Ben was picked for the full England squad in Bangladesh for the test squad and One Day International squad. Max O'Leary played professional football for Bristol City during the season at the age of 19. More than ten former Millfield Prep cricket players have played first class cricket this season, Luke Hammond and Finn Bass played at Junior Wimbledon and Chris Robshaw retained his place in the England rugby team winning the RBS Six Nations.









# **Athletics**

After the prizes had been given out on Speech Day and the goodbyes had been said, the boys' team travelled up to Bedford to compete in the National Final of the prestigious English Schools Cup. After winning the county round, our girls had narrowly missed out at the regional final. The boys battled hard for every point and finished 7th overall on the day.

Over thirty athletes competed in the National Prep Schools Final in Birmingham. Alex Painter, Jami Schlueter, Hugo Larkin all won titles, as did the boys' 4x100m relay team. Amirah Weightman Dauda medalled in the high jump.

At the other end of the school it was fantastic to watch our younger athletes take their first fast steps, high jumps and long throws in athletics. We look forward to helping them all develop to their full potential.

# **Basketball**

The U13 basketball team continued its run of success this year with their second consecutive IAPS National Championship. The team was led by some excellent guard play from JK Wattanasin and ferocious inside play from Antonio Van Leersum. Several newcomers to the game made valuable contributions such as Vinnie Gillespie's inside shooting and rebounding and the solid guard play of Kyle and Ryan Grace. Amirah Weightman Dauda will be the sole returning player next year when we go for the 'threepeat'; she is a talented and hardworking player to build around.

Opposite India-Rose Owen in training during the girls' successful cricket season 01 Jami Schlueter, seen here hurdling on Sports Day, had an excellent season 02 Baton exchanges during the Year 8 girls' relay on Sports Day 03 A great sense of team spirit pervaded the Junior Sports Day 04 Our basketball players were crowned National IAPS Champions for the second consecutive year

# Somerset County Players in 2015/16

# U15

Harriet Dimdore-Miles

### U13

Jamie Baird
Jessica Hazell
Ellen Jones
Rosa Launder
Philippa Letchford
India-Rose Owen
Adam Searle
Henry Smeed
Rebecca Stowell
Charlotte Taylor

### U12

Callum Harvey Michael McNee Joseph Eckland

### U11

Bobby Mulvey Oliver Harrison

# EPP Selections (Emerging Player Programme) Harriet Dimdore-

Miles Henry Smeed

# Excel Programme India-Rose Owen

# **Boys' Cricket**

The 1st XI did very well in both National competitions, making it through to the quarter-finals of the National Bunbury Cup and to finals day in the National RNCF Cup, just losing out in the final. The U13 team became County Champions after winning in the final against Taunton School.

The U11A team represented the West of England at the National 8-a-side competition. Some very tough games meant that the boys finished in a creditable 5th place.

The U12A side had outstanding results this term. They will play their County Cup final in September after rescheduling due to bad weather.

The U13C and U9 team went unbeaten this year; more important than the result was the progress made by these boys in their cricket sessions and match play during the term.

Both Junior Development teams involving players in Years 4, 5 and 6 had some very good results against various county sides.

House cricket produced some excellent matches; Saxons became Year 8 House Champions, retaining their title from last year; Saxons once again showed their cricketing prowess winning the Years 5 and 6 competition and for Years 3 and 4, the champions were Danes house.

Some outstanding performances with the bat and ball were observed in all of the age groups, but notable accomplishments were 107 not out, scored by **Callum Harvey** for the U12 team against Blundell's Prep. **Jamie Baird** was sensational, scoring 125 not out against Clifton College, 118 not out against South Dartmoor College (Bunbury Cup), 147 not out against St Michael's Middle School (Bunbury Cup) and 100 not out against Taunton School (County Cup).

# Girls' Cricket

Without question the girls' cricket season has been one of the highlights of the sporting calendar. The Senior Development team won through the County and Regional rounds to qualify for the National Indoor Finals at Lord's. On a memorable day the girls managed to win the title from an initial entry of more than 500 schools.

During the summer girls' cricket for the senior years has become a curriculum sport. They have

played in regular pairs cricket matches against local schools. At the same time our Senior Development team have played hard ball matches, defeating the following county teams: Somerset (twice), Devon, Gloucester and Dorset. Seven girls have played county cricket this summer and Millfield Prep sporting history was made with the girls playing on the main ground for the very first time. It was most appropriate that the match against Gloucester saw the girls win with one wicket remaining.

Harriet Dimdore-Miles is worthy of a special mention as she completes her Millfield Prep cricketing career and progresses to Millfield. Harriet closed the season as an U15 Somerset player (at age 13), was the first girl to play regularly in the Millfield Prep Boys' first team and also the first girl to score a century in a girls' cricket match here at the Prep School. We are excited to follow her progress at Millfield and hopefully further in the game.

# **Cross Country**

In the Mendip Cross Country League we were the top school with three overall individual winners. Our junior and senior boys were Mendip Champions. Both senior girls' and boys' teams qualified for the English Schools Finals, finishing 8th and 5th respectively. At the IAPS National Finals we had two individual runners in **Daisy Pellow** and **Alex Painter** with the senior boys' team finishing 3rd overall. **William Aitken** ran for Somerset at the National Finals.

# **Fencing**

The integration of Millfield Prep Fencing into Millfield Fencing meant that for the first time teams from both schools attended competitions as one squad – which was a delight to witness. At the National Public Schools Championships, Millfield retained the overall trophy for a record-breaking fifth year with Year 8 pupils all contributing points for the first time. At the British Schools Team Championships, Millfield were top of the medal table with eight gold, one silver and eight bronze medals with the U13 girls' team bringing back one gold and two bronze medals.

Millfield Fencing again won the overall IAPS title with Vinnie Gillespie, Morgan Zaky, Elena Launder, Arseniy Orekhov and Phoebe Van Der Welle all taking Master-at-Arms titles. Just as pleasing were the superb performances from the fencers who had begun in Year 6 PE with many of them winning medals themselves.













# **Football**

The U11A team played with strength in depth only losing their first match by the odd goal. The highlight was scoring nine goals away at Port Regis. The U8, U9 and U10 teams all accredited themselves well against local state and prep schools and a number of Junior boys played at Yeovil and Southampton academies. 150 children played in the Millfield Prep U9 Tournament and again the following week at the U10 event.

The girls' football teams at both U12 and U13 age groups have had another good season. The U12 side were proud to retain the Somerset FA County Cup and the U13s defended their 6-a-side trophy at the Port Regis Tournament.

**01** Freddie Turnell, Jaime Fernandez Chavarri and Morgan Bibiloni Cohen with their haul of trophies and prizes **02** Patience Rhodes became girls' champion at the ISGA Junior Open **03** The U12 girls were delighted to retain the Somerset FA County Cup

# Golf

The Millfield Prep golfers have had an amazing year. They are the IAPS U12 team champions for the third year in a row. **Freddie Turnell** also secured the U11 IAPS Championship and won his age group for the third consecutive year. **Patience Rhodes** secured a comfortable victory in the ISGA Junior Open and achieved a brilliant 12th place in the girls' U12 National Championships in Spain.

The prestigious Stowe Putter had the maximum of six golfers entered from Millfield Prep and they won the team shield. Freddie also won the Junior Jigger for U11.

Morgan Bibiloni Cohen, Jaime Fernandez Chavarri and Freddie comfortably won the team event at the Millfield Prep Open, with Freddie and Jaime finishing 1st and 2nd overall.

Freddie travelled up to Scotland to play in the European Championships, finishing with a top 15. As a result of his excellent performance in Scotland he qualified to go to Pinehurst, North Carolina, for the U11 World Championships.

# Hockey

This year we had over 33 boys' and girls' teams representing Millfield Prep, from U8 right up to U13 ranging from A-D level. Our U13B, U13D, U12B, U11D, U9A, U8A boys all had an unbeaten season. It was goals galore for the girls; U13A scored 117, U12A 65, U12B 67 and U11A 72 goals.

At the In2Hockey national competitions our teams gained success through all preliminary stages with the U13 and U11 boys and girls winning the Somerset County competition and the U13 girls winning the West and progressing to the In2Hockey National Finals.

The U13 and U11 girls won the Regional IAPS and progressed to the National Finals, where the U12 girls went one better to be crowned National Champions. The U11 and U13 boys both qualified for the IAPS National Finals where the U13 boys also ran out National Champions.

Many of our pupils have gone on to represent JDC, JAC and JRPC; we are very proud of our pupils' high achievements in this sport.

# **Celebrating Former Pupils' Success**

This year has been a truly memorable year of hockey, celebrating the international achievements of our talented past pupils:

**Simon Mantell** has reached his 200th senior England international cap and represented Great Britain at the Rio Olympics.

**Edward Horler** picked up a bronze European medal and won gold in the Sultan of Johor Cup for the England U21s and may be competing against one of his old team mates, Fraser Henderson from the Scottish U21s, in the future.

**Stuart Rushmere, Tabitha Billingham** and **Millie Regan** have all established themselves in the England U16 training squads.

Anastasia Knight and Emily James have represented Wales U18. Megan Lewis-Williams has also gained international honours for the Welsh senior team.

**Holly Jackson** and **Olivia Allin** have both been accepted on hockey scholarships at Yale and Harvard Universities in the USA.



**01** and **04** Our U11 and U13 girls progressed to win the Regional IAPS competition **02** The U13 boys were crowned IAPS National Champions **03** The U12 girls' team won through to become IAPS National Champions **05** The U11 boys made it all the way to the IAPS National Finals







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We celebrated a hugely successful year in Multi-Sports with 28 pupils competing in at least one competition. Training and competitions are year-round which enabled many pupils to experience the variety of sports, gain qualifications and develop skills. In addition to the enjoyment of participating, Millfield Prep athletes won an unprecedented number of medals and became champions at regional and national level, as well winning international trophies. The pupils listed achieved a very high standard to be awarded gold medals.

Opposite Amber Maxfield goal keeping for the U11 hockey team 01 Alex Painter won the Year 6 individual category 02 Year 6 team winners Heidi Denyer, Laura Judge-Wee and Jasmine Caley 03 Jack Amor won gold and Charlotte Taylor was 2nd overall in the U13 boys' and girls' age groups at the British Modern Pentathlon Championships







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# 2015/16 Highlights

### British Modern Biathlon

**U12 Boys'** team champions: Alex Painter (1st), Calvin Fry (2nd) and Patrick Salisbury (14th)

# **British School's Biathlon**

U12 Boys' team champions: Alex Painter (1st), Calvin Fry (6th), Patrick Salisbury (13th) U14 Boys' team champions: Jami Schlueter, Jack Vickers and Aurelio Calipa (Year 9)

### **International Triathle**

**U13 Girls**: Charlotte Taylor (1st)

### **IAPS Triathlon**

Alex Painter (1st) Year 6 and Polly Painter Year 8

### **National School's Biathle**

**Champions**: Jack Amor (1st) Year 5, Alex Painter (1st) Year 6 Year 6 Girls' team champions: Heidi Denyer, Jasmine Caley and Laura Judge-Wee

### **SW triathlon Championships**

Heidi Denyer (1st)

# **South Tri Series Champions**

U13 Girls: Charlotte Taylor (1st) U13 Boys: Calvin Fry (1st)

### **Modern Pentathlon**

U13 Boys: Jack Amor (1st)



# Netball

Our netball teams enjoyed another great year. Every girl in the school played a competitive match and our U13B and U12B teams were unbeaten in like-for-like matches over the season. 78% of matches were won overall by 16 teams from Years 3 to 8.

For 2016/2017 the Somerset County Satellite programme players will include: Lily Della Valle, Jasmine Campbell-Du Boulay, Macy Hall, Ellen Jones and Harriet Dimdore-Miles from Year 8. The following girls were also selected a year young (Year 7): Jessica Hazell, India-Rose Owen and Amirah Weightman Dauda. We are proud to report that this is our highest entry for many years.



**U11**, **U12** and **U13** teams all Regional IAPS Champions and only IAPS school in the country with all three teams at Nationals

**U12** National IAPS Champions

**U12** and **U10** Millfield Prep A Tournament winners

**U12** Cheltenham Ladies College Tournament winners

**U12** and **U13** Millfield Prep B Tournament winners

**U13** Bryanston Plate winners

**01** Our U12 team shone during their season becoming IAPS National Champions along the way **02** The jubilant U13 team after winning the Regional IAPS competition **03** The U11A team were thrilled to win the Regional IAPS Championships







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01 Caitlin Clancy on Jacob at the SWPA Championships 02 Darcy Zander on Archie showjumping at Aldon 03 Bronte Monks on Hero in the dressage at Millfield's BE 04 Darcy, Mrs Newman, Marina and Bronte following their win at Hickstead





**Riding** 

A focus of the year was the second British Eventing Millfield Horse Trials hosted by Millfield Prep. The cross country course designed by Olympic course builder, Adrian Ditcham, has bedded in well and provided a spectacular backdrop for the proceedings. No fewer than 18 Millfield pupils of all ages, six Old Millfieldians and Millfield Equestrian staff competed in all classes. Olympian Vittoria Panizzon competed alongside novices and other young competitors highlighting the breadth and appeal of this event.

Millfield Prep and Millfield both achieved success at the Hurstpierpoint College National Schools and Pony Club Jumping Championships at Hickstead, winning both the Senior and Junior Schools Championships. Millfield is the first school to win both sections of the competition in the same year since 2005. Darcy Zander, Bronte Monks and Marina Jolliffe finished on a team score of zero, after all three riders secured clear rounds in the International Arena.

Darcy Zander had an amazing year, coming 3rd in her first U18 Novice competition and winning the BE 100 class on her younger pony. Darcy's aim was to get placed top ten in a pony trail this year and she did that by coming 7th at Aston le Walls. Marina Jolliffe placed 11th in her first BE and **Eve Hodder**, Bronte Monks and **Maya Clarke** also enjoyed gaining BE experience.

**Caitlin Clancy** won six of her of her nine showing classes and went on to win the reserve Champion Part-bred, and Champion Novice ridden pony, among many other wins.

Our young riders have gone from strength to strength this year and the team have brought home many rosettes and excellent results. Our young Pre-Prep riders have also been working hard and are coming along beautifully.







**01** and **02** A team huddle and end-of-match photo at the RNCF/JET National competition where the U13 team were runners-up **03** Our U11 girls reached the quarter-finals of the IAPS Nationals

# **Rounders**

The rounders fixtures suffered this summer due to rain and flooded pitches. With three out of five tournaments cancelled, the girls worked hard to stay positive. They still managed to complete 72 matches in the term and produce 12 teams throughout the school.

The U9 girls were runners-up at the Millfield Prep Tournament, the U11 girls reached the quarter-finals of the IAPS National Rounders Competition and the U13 girls were runners-up at the RNCF/JET National Rounders.

# Rugby

It has been a very successful year for rugby, with all boys showing improvement and enjoyment throughout the season. The 1st XV played very well and some very entertaining rugby meant they were undefeated. The U13C team again played with passion and freedom and also went unbeaten in the season. The Juniors have revelled in playing the 'New Rules of Play', developing their attacking skills and scoring lots of tries.

# **Rugby Sevens Highlights**

## **Bryanston**

1st VII and U11 teams won their tournaments achieving a rare double

### Millfield

**1st VII** progressed to the final and defeated Moulsford 17-7; U11s also played well and reached the semi-final

### Warwick

Our **U12 VII** unfortunately lost by one point in their quarter-final but played incredibly well in the tournament

# **Port Regis**

We rotated the squad and reached the final, narrowly losing to a strong Caldicott side by 17 points to 12; a super effort by the boys

### **The Downs**

**1st VII** made it through to the semi-final of the competition

### Caldicott

**1st VII** reached the final and in the **2nd VII** Tournament our **U12 VII** won against the hosts in the final

### **Rosslyn Park**

After great play on day one the **1st VII** made it to the semi-finals but lost out to eventual winners, Caldicott





01 Our youngest team at the U8 All Hallows Rugby Festival, with friend of Millfield Prep, Lewis Moody MBE 02 and 04 Our U13 and U11 teams won a rare double at the Millfield Sevens 03 Our U12 teams had a strong season; U12A shown here after a 31-12 win v Clifton College

# Sailing

Sailing this year extended into the winter months, providing more time for training. Our fleet has grown to include two RS Fevas and four Laser Picos. A number of newcomers to sailing joined in September, with some even being selected to race later on in the year.

This year everyone has achieved RYA Stage 1 at the very least. Chew Valley Lake SC continues to be an excellent club for training, delivering varied weather conditions in which to challenge our young sailors.

At the inaugural Millfield Prep Regatta our top boat placed 5th. At the IAPS Coastal Regatta our fastest boat placed 8th out of 58 boats with our other two boats coming in at a respectable 21st and 22nd.

# Squash

We had a marvellous year of squash with a number of highlights. **Jamie Baird** played his first European competition in Poland. Jamie was unseeded and played fantastically well to reach the final and finish runner-up; it was a valuable experience for him.

Millfield hosted the IAPS Squash competition for the first time, which saw a 20% increase in entry. Squash World Number 6 (at time of print) and Old Millfieldian, Marwan El Shorbagy, returned to watch proceedings and present prizes to the competitors. Jamie featured strongly again, losing in the final to the England number four in a very well contested match. Seb Sawrey-Cookson also played well and placed 4th in the U11 age group. We had two teams in the doubles, which provided great experience.

Physical Education lessons enjoyed input from Millfield's Director of Squash, Ian Thomas. Summer term continued the momentum, with the arrival of Jarek Terlecki, the new full time professional coach.

# **Swimming**

Millfield Prep swimmers have had another successful swimming year with new school records set by Rocco Cyzer, Grace Olding, Alex Painter, Polly Painter and Alexander Sargeant. We celebrated the girls' team achieving top IAPS swimming school for an incredible 31st consecutive year and applauded National Champions and individual personal bests along the way. It was with fondness that the school looked back on Lin Skirton's time and dedication to the swimming life at Millfield Prep; Lin will be greatly missed as she heads to a well-deserved retirement.

# **Swimming Highlights**

# **Somerset County Championships**

Top Age Group swimming club

# **IAPS Championships**

# **Boys:**

**U13 National Champions** 

### **Individual National Champions:**

Wyatt Walsh, Calvin Fry and Jami Schlueter

**Relay National Champions:** 

12/U 4 x 25m Medley Benjamin Lawson, Wyatt Walsh,

Calvin Fry, Harry Barton

13/U 4 x 25m Medley/Freestyle Alexander Sargeant, Jami Schlueter,

Jack Vickers, Rocco Cyzer

### Girls:

Top IAPS swimming school for an amazing 31st consecutive year. Treble National Champions U12 / U13 and Overall

# **Individual National Champions:**

25m Breaststroke Grace Olding – 1st IAPS Record 17.47s
25m Butterfly Ruby Smith – 1st IAPS Record 14.26s
50m Backstroke Polly Painter – 1st IAPS Record 30.76s
50m Backstroke Maddie Calvesbert-Sharp – 1st

# **Relay National Champions:**

12/U 4 x 25m Medley/Freestyle

**10/U 4 x 25m Freestyle** Phoebe Van Der Welle, Grace Olding,

Melissa McCusker, Willow Walsh Maddie Calvesbert-Sharp, Emily

O'Dell, Ruby Smith, Ffion Rees

**13/U 4 x 25m Medley/Freestyle** Polly Painter, Jasmine Nobbs, Sophie

Mabbs, Yuhka Machino

### **South West Regional Championships**

20 swimmers qualified for this highly ranked event which is only open to the best club swimmers in the South West for each age and stroke. The squad won 12 gold, 7 silver and 9 bronze medals.

# Top swimmer in the 11 year age group:

Calvin Fry

# **Summer Nationals**

To qualify for the Nationals is extremely tough with only the top 24 swimmers in the country invited and then the top 20 after that head to the ASA (English). We congratulated **Jasmine Nobbs** (British and English), **Rocco Cyzer**, **Polly Painter**, **Alexander Sargeant** and **Jami Schlueter** (English) for reaching this goal.



O1 Polly Painter in action during the Somerset County Championships
O2 Millfield Prep's swimming squad O3 Raffi Maxwell and Boris Findlay competing in the IAPS Regatta O4 The inaugural Millfield Prep Regatta O5 Seb Sawrey-Cookson, pictured with OM Marwan El Shorbagy, achieved 4th place in the U11 age group at the IAPS Squash Tournament O6 Our sailors with coach, Mr Stickley, at the IAPS Regatta O7 Jamie Baird in action during his first European squash competition in Poland











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# **Tennis**

Twenty-four players represented Millfield Prep in the annual IAPS Tennis Tournament in July, which Millfield hosted for the second year in a row and involved 314 competitors. Fourteen of our players got through to the singles play-offs and 10 of our pairs got through to the doubles play-offs.

Archie Williams reached the U14 boys' singles quarter-finals and the quarter-finals of the U14 doubles with William Smith. Caitlin McLoughlin beat Ellen Jones in the U14 girls' singles quarterfinal and together they reached the U14 doubles semi-final. Rebecca Stowell and Francesca Davis beat their team mates, Ellen and Caitlin, to reach the final of the U14 girls' doubles and Francesca won the U12 girls' singles final.

Six players represented their respective counties in the different age groups of the County Cup this summer and two players are competing at national level.

The boys' team reached the regional finals of the Year 8 Aegon National Schools Competition in November, putting them among the top 16 teams in the country out of the 600 schools. They won through in the county stages of the boys' and girls' competition and will go on to compete in the county play-offs again in September 2016.

The girls' U14 team qualified for the Premier Division of the Aegon National Club League, and they also got through a round of the Aegon U18 National Schools before losing out to Millfield Senior School.

Rebecca Stowell qualified for the Road to Wimbledon National Finals at Wimbledon in July. Caitlin McLoughlin qualified for the Grade 1 U12 girls' Nike Invitational Winter National Tennis Tour Finals at the National Tennis Centre in London which included the top 16 girls in the country. Caitlin also qualified for the Grade 1 U12 Nationals at West Hants and played in her first Tennis Europe event in Bath during the summer.

01 A happy team at the IAPS Tennis competition, hosted by Millfield Prep 02 Our successful squad at the IAPS National Championships **03** Francesca Davis and Caitlin McLoughlin were selected for the U12 Winter Regional Tour Opposite Benjamin Bradshaw practising the long jump during the summer athletics season



# **Trampolining**

The squad competed at four competitions from the start of autumn term and 30 pupils competed in at least one of the fixtures.

At the South West Schools in November our U11 and U14 girls' teams were 2nd and qualified for the next round. Ellis James was 3rd individually and also qualified. In the next round in January our girls' teams competed solidly to reach 5th place in their age groups. Ellis was again in good form, finishing 2nd, which also qualified him for the National Schools event in Wigan. Two years young for his age group, Ellis competed well and achieved a commendable 5th place.

Our final fixture was the IAPS National Championships in May at the Royal Russell School in Surrey; 27 of our pupils attended with a high rate of success. Our U11 girls' team (Stella Gillespie, Charlotte Manton, Kizzi Reed and Maddy Whatling) were 4th, the U13 boys (Zack Keane, Timur Yevtushenko, Nathaniel Edwards and Harry Fletcher) were silver medallists. Our U9 boys' team were defending their 2015 win with the same team as last year (Ellis James; also first individually and 2016 Champion, William Morgan-Hughes, Sebastian Duke and Conor Donoghue) and retained their title. The U13 girls' team (Lily Della Valle; 2nd individually, Philippa Letchford; 3rd individually, Emily Bradshaw and Elena Launder) also 2015 title holders retained 1st place.







