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PRESS RELEASE

SPORT AWARDS FOR ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL.

St Mary's Primary School in Aston le Walls are delighted to announce that they have been awarded School Games Gold Award for commitment, engagement and delivery of competitive school sport. This improves on the previous Silver Award. This is the second award for the school this week. The other award is the Terrific Scientific "School of Excellence" status.

The children take part in a variety of competitive sport both in and out of school which builds lifelong skills and a love of sport. The school has links with a wide range of sports clubs and associations who have come into school to offer coaching and share their expertise and enthusiasm. They have experienced a variety of sports from the usual football, rugby and netball to the less common such as archery and benchball. Some children also enjoy hockey, Gaelic football and Irish dancing. The children are also look forward to the weekly ball skills and dance lessons.

The school's latest acquisition is two full sized table tennis tables which were partially funded by Table Tennis England. The children are very enthusiastic and becoming quite proficient and St Mary's is very keen to develop a table tennis club and looking into joining local leagues.



One child said “I enjoy working in a team when I play football”. Others said “I enjoy competing against other schools” and “It is fun to meet other children from different schools.”

Mrs Yuen, Head Teacher said “We encourage all children to participate and try new sports and actively encourage them to celebrate participation in sport, whatever their abilities. Inter school sports plays an important part of school life and we train Young Leaders who organise and manage our in school tournaments. I am delighted that our Young leaders put their newfound skills to use and encourage the younger children to try new things. I am even more proud when a child comes and tells me what they have done and we share their success with the rest of the school.”

Any parents wishing to visit the school would be very welcome. There is an Open Morning on Tuesday 10th October at 10am, alternatively contact the school office on 01295 660258 to make an appointment.



