

Year 3&4 Handball Competition
Monday 27th November
@ St Joseph's primary school

St Joseph's in Wallasey was the host site for the Year 3&4 handball competition after the successful event last year. There were 5 teams taking part in this event, St Pauls, Somerville, St Bridget's and 2 teams from St Joseph's.

For every single participant this was the first time that had represented the school and the first time they had played in a handball competition. This was great to see as this is exactly the focus of the Edsential competitions and events.

As it was a new event and experience for everyone the first 30 minutes was a coaching session. This allowed the pupils to feel relaxed and comfortable in the new surroundings and environment. The pupils developed their passing, dribbling and shooting skills before the games began.

As it was the pupils first experience of a handball competition the rules were relaxed and participants were 'coached' through the first few games as the players adapted to the rules. After the first few games the standard of Handball played developed and there were some excellent individual and team performances on show. It was St Bridget's who eventually came out winners winning all of their games with close games against Somerville and St Paul's.

The attitude of all of the players was a credit to all of the school staking part and it was great to see the schools providing the pupils with new opportunity.

"Another great event delivered by Mike, the coaching session was ideal at the start and the way he coached the players through the game meant that all children gained success." Somerville teacher

"It was great and I even scored a goal!" St Bridget's pupil