

FORRES ACADEMY

EXTRA CURRICULAR REPORT

MAY 2019

- **Cricket** – After school sessions are still attracting steady but small numbers on a Wednesday after school. Now training outside. Direct link to Forres St Lawrence Cricket Club – sessions being led by Gus Farr. Although they group were given the opportunity to enter the Moray Schools Competition there was not enough interest to generate a team.
- **Cheerleading** – the group had to come to a close at Easter time. Mrs Wood was unable to continue with this commitment due to her Degree demands. We have been most fortunate in having parent and senior student volunteers running the club over the past 8 years or so. We are extremely grateful for their time and support allowing our students the opportunity to engage in such an activity.
- **Tennis** – The Young Ambassadors along with SOT Lead Mrs Rossiter, Coach and Paul Rogan (Active Schools) attended the workshops and conference at Gleneagles. A most worthwhile day for all. We are soon to be going into our third year for the SOT and additional funding will be provided from the LTA. The Young Ambassadors will be volunteering for various events including the Moray Primary Schools Tennis Competition, Transition Activity Day, S1 – S3 Activity Day. A number will also be competing in the Moray Secondary Schools Tennis Championships on the 20th May at Gordonstoun. The older YA's will also be assisting Mrs Rossiter with the running of the event.
- **Badminton** – We continue to have steady numbers attending the club on a Friday night, senior students assisting with the delivery of the sessions showing Leadership skills. Two of our younger players assist on a weekly basis with the Anderson Primary School session which runs prior to our own one. A number of our players are also involved with the Moray Development Squads, Highland Squads and Ashley Donald has been invited to attend the National Squad. The Forres Academy Team won the Moray Secondary Schools Badminton Competition for the 4th year running. Our older students had their friendly match against Gordonstoun when we came out tops.
- **S1 Football** – Monday after school is still attracting a small number.
- **Netball** – continues to attract good numbers. Teams entered into the Moray Secondary schools junior and senior League, although neither of our teams won the Championship Trophy they certainly put up a good fight and gave competition to the other teams. Juniors finished 4th and Seniors 3rd in the Moray Schools League. Our senior netball girls were recognised for their most professional approach to umpiring when they volunteered to assist with the Primary and Junior Events.
- **Early Morning Swimming** – Still attracting a regular attendance by a number of committed students who attend on a regular basis on a Thursday morning from 7.00am. It is hoped to enter two teams at the Scottish Schools Team Relays in June at the Royal Commonwealth Pool, Edinburgh but we are waiting to get available of students confirmed prior to submitting our entry.
- **Girls Football Team** continues to meet and train on a Tuesday after school. A number of the students also assist with the Primary School Training after school. The team finished 4th in the Moray Schools League.
- **sportScotland Young Ambassadors** – Two of our students, Emma Donald and David Scott have been selected to assist with the delivery of the Scottish YA's Conferences held across Scotland in September / October. They will help make up the programme and present on the day. Both will require to attend various training days and be part of the Conference Team for a number of the Conferences. After Study Leave the YA's will be creating a new display board to help with the promotion of events etc... in the school. Each YA will profile themselves and this will be placed against a photograph so that students can recognise them and be able to approach them with any questions or suggestions that they can then take to our YA's meetings.

- **Scottish School Cross Country** – Bruce Evans represented the school at this event which took place in Livingston. Although Bruce did not achieve medal position he ran well coming in 29th out of a field of 94. David Scott had to drop out due to injury.
- **Scottish Schools Aquathlon** – Two students represented Forres Academy at this National Event – Rosalyn McRitchie and Bruce Evans. Both thoroughly enjoyed the event, Roslyn finishing 68th out of a field of 81 and Bruce was successful in taking 8th place out of a field of 74. Both are keen to repeat this again next year.
- **Moray Schools Cross Country** – once again we applauded the efforts of Isobel Howard and Bruce Evans when they competed at Gordonstoun – both medal winners

Forthcoming Events

- Scottish Schools Team Relay Championships
- Moray Secondary Schools Tennis Championships
- Forres Academy Activity Days
- Primary 7 Transition Activity Day – a number of the clubs listed above will be delivering sessions with the support of our Senior Students who will be mentors and leaders on the day.
- S1 – House Assemblies – Recognising Positive Achievements
- S3 – BGE Assembly

Senior School Tutorials – Various Subjects

These have been ongoing throughout the year, advertised through departments and promoted also via twitter at various times. Staff have also continued to offer drop in sessions during study leave as well as identified times for additional topic related tutorials.