



Boys Football at Crawley Town Football Club

'On Tuesday 10th June OLQOH took 14 Y5 & 6 boys to Crawley Town Football Stadium for an event arranged especially for us after our Y6 Team won the Primary League Primary Stars Tournament earlier in the year.

The afternoon started with a tour of the stadium starting in the conference room and moving on to see the differences between the home and away changing rooms, as well as the home and away dug outs.

The children were asked to guess at why the areas were so different with it all coming down to comfort, convenience and amenities for the home team, providing the away team with the bare minimum (tactics!).

The home changing room also contained a massage area with fitness equipment for the players, and a television and a coaching board for tactics and strategy, with the intent being for the home team to have all of the advantages and the away team to feel unsettled and uncomfortable. We then visited the hospitality suite and many offices and interview rooms needed to run a successful football club.

The boys then had a presentation based on 'teamwork' which included questions and answers.

The children then headed to the training pitches for a 7 aside match. After a warm up, the boys were asked to enter the pitch in their separate teams with music playing for their entrance, very much like the Premiership entrance!

The match was 15 minutes each way and the boys all played really well showing their determination, resilience and skills. They encouraged each other and were very respectful of each other and the referee.

The games ended 2-2 and penalties were taken. After all 7 players had taken their penalties, including the goalkeepers, it was still a draw. We left it as a draw which was a fitting result for a well fought match.

The day was a great success. We all thoroughly enjoyed it.

Many thanks to all of the staff, especially Mrs Marsh, for accompanying us, as well as our friends at Crawley Town FC for their hospitality.'

OLQOH Boys Football Tournament

'On Friday 13th June OLQOH held our annual boys football tournament here at school.



There were 7 teams present, split into 2 groups. One group had 4 teams, the other group had 3.

Each team played the other teams in their own group in 10 minute, one way games.

The winners of group 1 played the runners up of group 2, with the winners of group 2 playing the runners up of group 1 in 2 semi final matches. The 2 winning teams then completed the tournament by playing a final together.

Our results were:

OLQOH vs St Francis win 1-0

OLQOH vs St Robert win 2-0

We won our group as we beat both other teams and went on to play St Peter's in the semi final.

With OLQOH beating St Peter's 3-0, we went on to play St Robert's in the final, which ended as a win for St Robert 2-0.

Our team of boys gave so much for us, they were determined, resilient, courageous and worked SO hard. They gave 100% effort, supporting each other really well and showing great respect for the opposition and the adults present. Their teamwork was exceptional. I could not be more proud of each and every one of them.'

KS1 Cricket Festival

'On Wednesday 4th June OLQOH took a mixed team of KS1 children to a cricket festival at K2.

There were 4 schools present with the event run by Sussex Cricket Coaches and young leaders from Thomas Bennett School.

There were 6 activities set up with each school rotating around all of the activities.

The activities included batting, fielding, throwing, catching, bowling, underarm throwing at stumps for speed, overarm throwing at stumps for power, and aiming activities.

The children all worked really hard with lots of energy and enthusiasm. They all listened really well, were polite and respectful to young leaders and other adults and behaved impeccably.

After the activities there was a short break followed by friendly matches where the children all took a turn at bowling, fielding and batting. The games were kept simple and friendly so that the children could learn a little about match play. They were very keen to learn.

We had a very pleasant afternoon, I was very proud of the children.

Many thanks to OLQOH staff and parents for all support.'

All match reports courtesy of Ann Westgate (Sports Leader).



Year 5&6 Cricket

Competition

'On Thursday 12th June OLQOH attended a cricket competition at Ifield Cricket Club. This was quite a high level competition as the top 2 teams were to be selected to represent Crawley at County level.

There were 2 groups with 6 teams in each group so all teams had 5 matches to play. The standard was very high.

Our team of boys tried their very hardest, working together, showing resilience, and demonstrating Olympic values.

The boys listened really well to rules, tactics and scoring, and did their very best to put this knowledge into practice during the matches.



As we were playing against some very experienced Y6 teams, we were unable to chalk up any victories on this occasion, however, very importantly, the children never lost heart.

The boys treated this as an excellent learning opportunity and with some practice at school, they will go on to better things next year. They behaved impeccably, with respect for their own team, the opposition and officials. I am proud of their efforts today.

Many thanks to staff, parents and carers for their support.' **(AW)**



Great news! OLQOH has secured £150,000 in funding to install a new 4G Astroturf pitch this summer holidays.

Not only will this investment increase the amount of play space we have to use over winter months, from September, it will allow the children to access even more sporting opportunities both during the day, as well as after school.

Staffing September 2025

Year Group	Teacher(s)
EYFS	Mrs Jannece & Miss Griffith &
Y1	Miss Marklew & Mrs Loftus &
Y2	Miss Reddick Miss O'Donoghue
Y3	Mrs Mwale Miss Johnston
Y4	Mr Adams Miss Goodman
Y5	Mr Watson & Mrs McGrath
Y6	Miss Johnson



...takes place on
Friday 18th July

EYFS and KS1 Gates will open just after 9am.

KS2 Sports Day begins just after 1pm.

Refreshments on site include the Coffee Bar, Ice Cream Van and Ifield Scouts BBQ.

The BBQ will be running all day, with Parents and Carers welcome to stay onsite for food throughout.

All welcome!

Last Day of Term

The final day of the Summer Term is Tuesday 22nd July.

Mass, celebrated by our School Chaplin, Father Nelson, will begin at 9.30am.

Y6 Parents and Carers are invited to come to school for 2.15pm for the Leavers Video.

Gates will open at 2.55pm, with clapping out from just after 3pm.

Everybody is welcome to attend.

Please remember!

Inset Day on 30/6/25. School will be closed for Staff Training. Thank you.