

St Joseph's RC Junior School is a two form entry multicultural school with 280 pupils situated in Wembley.

We are keen to promote a variety of sports and activities to our pupils, both curricular and extra curricular, and we have found the Kingsbury Sports Partnership to be invaluable in this pursuit. The regular and well organised sporting festivals and tournaments across a range of sports are enjoyed by our students immensely and allow everyone to experience success. In turn this builds esteem and confidence in pupils which translates into other areas of the curriculum. Such festivals and tournaments also inspire children to work in the lead up lessons and they experience great pride in representing the school and wearing the school colours. This is often reflected in the reports that they write and present to the rest of the class in assemblies.

The regular meetings between partnership schools builds a strong relationship between primary colleagues and secondary colleagues. Consequently a frequent exchange of information occurs incorporating best practice, upcoming events, professional development opportunities as well as providing a close support network where no question is too silly and advice is always available. We have found this to be invaluable.

One such example of this support network is the establishment of our 'Huff and Puff' Break-time scheme where children can undertake high quality and structured physical exercise involving, running, skipping, throwing, catching and team games. This was the result of the network establishing contact with the 'Huff and Puff' team and then supporting our school with its implementation

Our close link with St Gregory's RC High School has provided the opportunity for their Community Sports Leaders to visit the school and take regular sessions with our Year 4 classes in a variety of sports – something that has been hugely successful and enjoyed by Year 4. We recently held an intra-class competition with their help which was hugely successful and could not have been done without them – more events are planned for other year groups.

The network has also put us in contact with professional coaches and bodies who have visited the school for both one off occasions and regular activities. Activities included have been: football, tennis, gymnastics and skipping to name a few.

Some of our achievements in Physical Education recently have been:

- Year 6 Girl's 7-a-side Football Team winning the Brent Seven-a-Side Competition 2007
- Year 6 Girls Football team Middlesex Championship Semi-Finalists 2008
- Year 6 Boy's 11-a-side football team Brent League Runners-ups 2007.
- Year 3,4,5 and 6 boys and girls representing the school at the Brent Dance Festival held at Brent Town Hall 2008
- Attendance of Ealing Cross Country Championships Autumn 2007
- Winning Brent swimming Gala 2006, 2007 and 2008
- Members of the London Schools Swimming Assoc. with regular attendance at events
- Winning Brent Cross-Country Boys and Girls competition 2008
- Receiving training from the Metropolitan Police in Tag Rugby
- Year 6 attendance of Metropolitan Police Rugby Festival 2007
- Year 6 representing Brent in the National Rugby Competition
- Year 3 and 4 attendance of Netball Festival at Kingsbury High 2008
- Year 3 attendance of athletics festival at St Gregory's 2008
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- Year 3 attendance of Football Festival at St Gregory's 2008
- Year 5 and 6 attending QPR five-a-side tournament 2007 (Year 6 Runners-Up)
- Students selected Gifted and Talented at Badminton and Athletics held at Oakington Manor Primary School
- Winners of Brent Indoor and Outdoor Athletics Competition 2006, 2007, 2008
- Regular participation in the Brent School's Football League, Boys and Girls
- Walk to school every week.
- Annual in-school Mini-Wimbledon Tournament

Without question we are very happy with everything the Kingsbury Sports Partnerships provides. They facilitate the festivals, competitions and rallies that our children enjoy, support our own activities in school but more importantly, provide us the opportunity to explore new and interesting ways to get our kids more active.