

Netball Update

Following the article in the September magazine, with the help of walking, running, cycling and rowing the 'Aspire' ball managed to travel a lot further but unfortunately didn't manage to get all the way round the world before the challenge finished in mid-September. However, a total of £865 of the £1,000.00 target was raised for the United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund and 'Mind'. With gift aid this should rise to £1,078.75. A massive 'well done' goes to Ella Thornton for organising the challenge and to all the girls and their families who took part.

Competitive grassroots netball is now allowed to take place with modified rules for all age groups in an outdoor setting whilst U18s and younger age groups may play indoors. This means that, hopefully, some of our local leagues may be returning soon! Friendly matches for some clubs have already taken place.

Trials for the Aspire Elite Netball Performance Academy were held in early October and also those for the various Loughborough Lightning Performance Academies. Congratulations go to the following William Farr and Welton St Mary's students, who have been offered places in the Aspire academy at varying levels for the forthcoming season:

[Georgia Charles, Ella Charles, Alice Lawrence and Ella Thornton – Elite Plus](#)
[Rosie Beeden, Madeline Beeden and Poppy Watkin – Advanced](#)
[Marcy Talkes, Sophie Hotchkin and Amelia Watkin – Foundation](#)

Results from the Aspire 'Little Stars' trials held on 30th October are unknown at the time of writing.



Brigg Netball Club recently featured on ITV's Calendar programme where some of our local girls could be seen in action in the background as head coach Vanessa was interviewed with regard to funding in grassroots sports.

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