

Cross country run

On Tuesday 11th of October year 5/6 represented our school in the Shepway district cross country run. The Hawkinge team were, Tyrese Payne, Ryan Smith, Harry Elson, Grace Dixson, Evie Fouracre, Leo Clarkin, Elis Bowers, Louie Roberts, Molly Surridge, Maizie Preston and Chloe Reid. We were competing against over hundred other children from different schools.

The course was 1600m long (1 mile). It was a good thing that Miss Stagg had made us do plenty of practise at lunchtimes, as we were able to get used to this distance and practise our pace before the big day.

At 4pm, we arrived at Brockhill with a mixture of excitement and nerves. We walked up to the school field and found our team lane. We then sat down and listened to the rules and did a quick warm up to help take our mind off the nerves.

The first race was the year 5/6 boys. We all assembled on the starting line and waiting for the whistle. We had loads of supporters that were cheering us on so when the whistle went we felt encouraged and adrenaline pumped through our bodies. We kept a steady pace all the way round until the last 400m where we sprinted as fast as we could.

After the boys race it was the turn of the girls. After a shaky start with one of our members falling over, but being helped up by Maizie, the girls started a steady pace together, with Molly being out in front. Most of the girls were at the back for a while, but managed to reach the front by the end, with Evie Fouracre coming second overall.

All of our team finished within the top 15 places of each race and due to our low score as a team we won overall! We all received a gold medal and got to stand on the podium. We felt really proud of ourselves.

Thanks to our supporters, Tillie Roberts with her great banner, with Izzy and Sam Janser, Ellie Surridge, Jared Bowers, Joe Elson, Miss Stagg, Mrs Honzik and our great Mums and Dads.

By Louie, Chloe and Elis