On Thursday 24th October over 50 primary children descended on DCHS to compete in the 2019 Inter- school Basketball competition representing Hipsburn, Shilbottle and Swarland Primary schools. All schools had teams from Year 3 through to Year 6. For the fourth year running it was a great opportunity for the children to visit the high school and to help the current Year 6's with their transition in September 2020!



The Year 3/4 competition had 3 teams competing and all teams were entered into a 'round robin' competition to play against each of the other schools to find out which school would be the overall winners. The young Sports Leaders from DHCS had the exciting task of umpiring the enthusiastic and energetic games! With continuous encouragement by the Sports Leaders ensured the children played their best and always try hard despite tiredness setting in after over an hour of hard play! After all their matches the competition ended in a DRAW with both Swarland and Hipsburn Year 4 teams finishing on 8 points.





The Year 5/6 competition had 4 teams entered into their competition with again matches being umpired by the Sports Leaders.

The matches were both competitive and hard fought. The games were fast and furious with teams playing end to end. The children showed off their dribbling, passing and shooting skills with confidence. The Year 5 and 6's displayed that their experience from the last three years has developed their level of game play and finding that all important "space" on the courts. Not all games were high scoring but their enthusiasm and commitment could not be questioned.



In a nail biting final between Shilbottle Reds and Hispburn Shooters the game was fast and furious with both teams giving 100 percent. At full time we had a winner with Hipsburn Shooters being crowned champions without losing a game throughout the competition!!



All the children had a great time and enjoyed the opportunity to take part in a competitive sporting event at DCHS. They are all already looking forward to their next Inter school fixture back at DCHS which will be a Hockey competition on Thursday 4th April!

I would like to thank Mr Hall for allowing the Competition to take place and giving the children these fantastic opportunities to come to The DCHS and I know that both the parents and the primary schools are very appreciative too. I would also like to thank Mrs Steele and the young leaders, who are a credit to the school, for helping with the running of these events. Without their help I couldn't possibly hold the competitions.