**Brightwalton Sports' Report**
**Year 5/6 Netball Festival at Thorngrove, Wednesday 12th November, 2025**

The Year 5/6 netball team of 7 arrived looking smart in their sports' kit, ready to play in their first netball games of this season. Thorngrove School kindly host an afternoon of short competitive netball games (5 a side) against local schools with the emphasis on involvement and skills coaching. Hence their PE staff may stop the game to offer coaching advice and no scores are taken.
The team played 9 matches and pleased to say that we won 7 games, drew one and lost one (we did note the scores!) and so everyone felt that winning feeling and as coaches we were delighted with their free-flowing play. The team was rotated so we could see players in different positions and to prepare for our next tournament when it is compulsory rotations. All players attacked skillfully and all shooters were on target. The defence was awesome to prevent the opposition scoring and we were especially pleased with the determination shown on court to intercept or chase a loose ball. The team really rose to the challenge and it showed in the score-lines.
A great afternoon out and all would agree that Thorngrove School are great hosts with a delicious tea for the adults and snacks for the players – medals too!

Many thanks to my coaches and parent supporters.

Mrs Banks
For Brightwalton Sport