News release



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On Tuesday 14 March, the Kingswood Secondary Academy, Gainsborough Road, Corby, NN18 9NS will host the first Inter Academy Football Festival for over 160 Year 8 pupils from eight academies.

Please confirm your attendance in advance by calling Nadine Hilliard.

Inter Academy Football Festival

On Tuesday, 14 March, the Kingswood Secondary Academy will host the first Inter Academy Football Festival for eight secondary Academies sponsored by the Greenwood Academies Trust (GAT).

Over 160 pupils from the City of Peterborough Academy, the Nottingham Academy, the Nottingham Girls' Academy, the Skegness Academy, the Weston Favell Academy, the Stanground Academy, the Houghton Regis Academy and the Kingswood Secondary Academy will take part in the Festival. Each academy will put forward a total of 20 Year 8 boys and girls.

The festival will be supported by Kathryn Evans, a former competitive swimmer who represented Great Britain in the Olympics Games (2000 and 2004) and is also a double British champion in the 200m individual medley (2001 and 2002). Kathryn is currently overseeing the development of Girls' Football for the Youth Sport Trust and is already working alongside PE teams across the Trust to develop girls' character through football.

In addition, two players from Leicester City Women's Football Club attended the festival. The two players took the time to talk to many of the students taking part and were a huge inspiration to the girls.

Jamie Kilner, Director of Sport at the Trust, said: "The sport departments within our secondary academies have extensive expertise and enthusiasm for sport and this Inter Academy Football Festival is just one example of our commitment to providing competitive sporting experiences for students across the Trust.

"Football is hugely popular across all our academies and this festival will enable students to enhance their skills even further. We are extremely grateful to have Kathryn Evans and Amber Wildgust supporting this event as they are both committed to inspiring students to use sport to promote health and wellbeing."

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For further information please contact Nadine Hilliard, Media and Communications Manager.

Notes to editors

- The Football Festival runs from 10.30am until 2.45pm.
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