**Merseyside Schools Cross-Country League**

The second round of races in the Merseyside Schools Cross-Country League took place in Birkenhead Park last Saturday. Much of the help required to stage the event was provided by Wirral AC, assisted by staff from the competing schools.

Upton Hall had a very successful day winning all three races for girls and two of their runners, Gabby Phelan and Ellen-Mary Kearney, were also individual winners in the Years 8/9 and Open age-groups. Megumi Hoshiko from Wirral GS had another impressive win in the Yr 7 race.

Formby won the Yr 7 boys team event and Obi Kearney of St Anselm’s was the individual winner. St Anselm’s dominated the Yr 8 and Open age-groups and also provided the individual winners in Jack Talbot and Louis Johnston. The race for Yrs 9/10 was more competitive. Wirral GS provided the first two runners home in TJ Jones and Will Strickley but sadly did not complete a team. An under-strength Formby squad was pipped at the post by St Anselm’s on this occasion but will be anxious to return to winning ways in the third and final round which will be in Arrowe Park on Saturday 18th January.