

## Press Release



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### **Sports Leaders show off their ball skills in Cornwall**

Sports Leaders from Bodmin College, Cornwall are improving their leadership skills through a series of Netball tournaments and festivals held in partnership with local schools.

25 Sports Leaders from Years nine to sixth form helped lead the Cornwall Schools U13 Netball Championships for the first time recently. The event, which saw 300 Year eight girls from 28 schools across the county take part, was a huge success thanks to the dedication and support of Sports Leaders.

The Sports Leaders UK candidates were responsible for refreshments, leading central time-keeping, scoring, results and equipment, organising car parking and team management.

The College holds regular festivals on a weekly basis, and following the success of this event already has plans to host an U15 County Netball Tournament in February 2011.

All Year seven to 11 students at Bodmin College undertake Sports Leaders UK awards and qualifications, with the majority of sixth formers also heavily involved in sports leadership, they run lunchtime clubs, festivals, after-school clubs and events.

Emmie Seward, Head of PE at Bodmin College and Sports Leaders UK Centre Course Manager said: "Sports Leaders UK awards and qualifications are held in high regard at Bodmin College. Teachers recognise the qualities that the courses bring out in our students and have seen a rise in participation in sports across the College since we began running the Sports Leaders UK courses.

"Having older role models to look up to has had a knock on effect in helping to encourage younger students to take up sport."

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