



18<sup>th</sup> January 2012

**Re: Teacher training opportunities**

**Dear Principal,**

Firstly, we here at Waterford Sports Partnership would like to wish you and your staff a happy 2012. We hope both you and all the teachers enjoyed an active break and feel both refreshed and recharged for the remainder of the 2012 academic year.

Waterford Sports Partnership is writing to all Waterford Primary Schools reminding you and your staff of upcoming physical activity teacher training opportunities.

**Badminton**

The "First Badminton" Training course trains schools and teachers to deliver badminton in a fun safe and organised way. It will equip teachers to deliver basic badminton skills required in 5 specific areas; racket skills, overhead throwing action, serving, movement for badminton and rallying with partners. Teachers will have the opportunity to learn fun co-ordination games suitable for any PE space.

The details are:           Date: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2012  
                                  Time: 12-3pm  
                                  Venue: TBC

Places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. To secure places for any new teachers requiring training please call **Pauline Cunningham on (051) 849855 by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January.**

**FAI Buntús**

The FAI Buntús training builds on the Buntús Generic programme previously received in all Waterford schools. All participants will be trained in how to deliver Soccer to Primary School aged children. On completion of the training support materials will be given to the school. All schools that have completed this training will be invited to take part in a school FAI Buntús blitz at a later date.

The details are:           Date: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March  
                                  Time: 1pm-4.00pm  
                                  Location: TBC

Places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. To secure places for any new teachers requiring training please call **Pauline Cunningham on (051) 849855.**

## **\*\*Brand New for 2012\*\***

### **Olympic Handball**

The Irish Olympic Handball Association (IOAH) will be hosting a Level One Coaching Course in Waterford this April. We would like to invite all teachers in Waterford to this course. The course will cover a simple introduction to Handball and will also introduce a non contact version of Street Handball. The course will run for 2 hours and it is fully accredited.

This course will give participants a good understanding of the game and the IOHA will give them a 6 week lesson plan and a handbook to assist in teaching Handball.

All schools that have completed this training will be invited to take part in a school Olympic Handball blitz at a later date.

The details are:           Date: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April  
                                  Time: 12.00-2.00pm  
                                  Location: TBC

Places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. To secure places for any new teachers requiring training please call **Pauline Cunningham on (051) 849855**.

If you would like to discuss any of this information in more detail or if you have a particular sport or physical activity you and your staff would like to receive training in please let me know we will do our best to assist you.

Yours sincerely

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