

Schools Sports

Basketball success for Sutherland pupils

GIRLS at Dornoch Primary School are celebrating success having been invited to join the Highland primary schools basketball league, played over several months in Inverness, where the girls came second overall.

They also played in the Highlands and Islands Primary Championships, in which nine teams took part, including the Western Isles, and were placed third overall.

The team has been in existence at Dornoch Primary since they won the local Sutherland Schools competition in November last year. They have been supported in their achievements by Bridget Morrison, active school coach for their weekly practise sessions, as well as John Kerray, Highlands basketball development officer, who has set up the pathways to wider basketball opportunities for the girls.

"This has been an invaluable experience for everyone," said Jane Mason, headteacher at Dornoch primary. "The enthusiasm and sense of achievement from all the girls has been wonderful. Not only have they developed as



players, but they have had a chance to mix with girls from other parts of the Highlands and some have been selected to play at higher levels.

"We are hoping that, in the next

phase of development, we can involve support from basketball players and pupils at Dornoch Academy in order to increase provision and coaching for our young players."

Pictured (from left) are Eva Morrison, Catriona Short, Skye Warner-Mackintosh, Harriet Fyfe, Kata Garzo, Ellie Bonthronne, Anne-Sophie Chalmet, Sophie Campbell.

Medal winners at Dornoch



These pupils from Dornoch Primary School all won medals at the recent East Sutherland Schools Commonwealth Games, held in Golspie.