



School Sports News

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This month: Prepare for summer, New play surface, Traversing walls, New guides, Gym mats

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Prepare For Summer

It may seem a bit premature to mention it now, but the holidays are an ideal time to carry out work around the school without disruption to your timetables, and because of this the Easter break & May half term are already fully booked, leaving the summer holidays as the next available 'downtime'.

So if you're considering any installation, repair or maintenance work to your sports or PE equipment, or to your sports hall, gym or outside play areas, now is the time to start making arrangements.

[Contact us](#) today to discuss your requirements, or visit our [website](#) for details of our services.

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Olympic Gymnasiums New Playground Surfacing

Providing the right surfacing for outdoor play areas has seen a lot of changes in recent years. First, loose wood chippings were used, but these become dispersed and do not offer an even amount of safe surface across the whole play area. Next, wet pour surfacing was used, but this requires a sub-base which adds to the cost of materials & installation.

At last though, we have found the perfect solution—[Softbond](#).

Softbond uses 100% recycled soft rubber which is bonded to offer a safe & comfortable surface. It does not require a sub-base and can be laid straight onto almost any surface, reducing material & installation costs. Most surfaces need to be at least 100mm deep to provide a safe fall height of 1.9m, but Softbond need to be only 50mm deep to give a safe fall height of over 3 metres. It is also non-flammable and uses organic colourants.

All of this adds up to a safe, user friendly, economical & ecological product—the perfect play surface.

Traversing Walls 'Most Popular'

When raising funds for sports & PE equipment, climbing frames were always top of the PTA's wish list, but times have changed...

[Traversing walls](#) are now the favourite, and it's easy to see why. They are easy to install and utilise an existing wall, yet they provide a fun & challenging way to develop co-ordination & increase fitness. They are versatile & provide a variety of options which can be incorporated into the curriculum.

All in all a great addition to any school for use during play time & lessons.

The Best Gym Mats

Gym mats & crash mats are an integral part of any school, offering safety during sports & PE as well as a few less orthodox uses!

We offer a full range of mats to suit all purposes, all of which are made in the UK from the highest quality foams with bonded PVC covers & anti-slip bases.

You may think that such quality comes at a premium price, but we believe our mats are possibly the lowest priced available.

Not only that but we also offer discounts & free delivery for quantity orders.

Why not visit the [gym mats page](#) on our web site to see for yourself...?

New Olympic Product Guides

Over the coming months we will be producing a series of guides to sports products & services.

The first two these, [Trampolining](#) & [climbing frames](#), are already available with more to follow including traversing walls, gym floors, rebound therapy, cricket nets & basketball goals.

The guides will include product & service information as well as care & maintenance advice. If you have a suggestion for a future guide, [let us know...!](#)

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