

YOUNG TITANS WIN GOLD AT LEEDS

At this year's prestigious City of Leeds Junior Swimming Open Meet held last weekend - Titan swimmers bagged a fantastic haul of 4 Gold, 4 Silver and 3 Bronze Medals.

The Titan team consisting of Alfie Pardoe (10), Elliot Hughes (11), Abi Fawcett (13), Annie Jones (13), Jamie Thomas (11) and Otilier Fairhurst (10) – swimming against some of the best swimmers in the Country - smashed a total of 24 Personal Best times and notched up 8 New Club Records.

Highlights included Alfie Pardoe's domination of the boys 10/u 200m backstroke event winning by a margin of more than 9 seconds in a time of 2:47.73 – an achievement which moves him up into 5th place in the UK rankings. Alfie also won the gold medal in the 100m backstroke; silver medals in the 400m freestyle, 200m freestyle, 200m breaststroke and 400m Individual Medley (IM); and the bronze medal in the 100m freestyle. He is now ranked No 1 in the West Midlands in the 400m IM, 200m freestyle, 400m freestyle, 200m breaststroke and 100m backstroke.

Elliot Hughes won the Gold medal in the 11/u boys 100m freestyle in a Personal Best time of 1:10.00. He later went on to also win the gold medal in the 50m freestyle. Elliot is ranked No 1 in Shropshire in both events.

Commenting upon his success Alfie Pardoe said "I'm really firing on all cylinders at the moment and am confident every time I race".

Further details about joining the Ellesmere Titans can be found on their website www.ellesmerecollegetitans.co.uk or by telephoning Jon Pardoe on 07903 641668. Further details on scholarships and places at Ellesmere College can be obtained from the College Admissions Secretary on 01691 622321 or by email at admissions.secretary@ellesmere.com.

Notes to Editor

The Ellesmere College Titans Swimming Club was established in 2008, as a meeting of minds, between Ellesmere College – a school with a great sporting heritage and the parents of some of

the top young swimmers in Shropshire, united in their desire to create an ambitious, positive and competitive swimming club.

The result: A centre of swimming excellence in the heart of the North Shropshire countryside.

To maintain this standard the Club adopts and implements a selective membership policy, to ensure that all swimmers share the same goal of achieving swimming success at the highest level.

The emphasis is on quality not quantity of swimmers, with the Club limiting its total swimming membership to 28 - ranging from children as young as 8 upwards.

In such an environment a great deal of one to one coaching can be given to individual swimmers, and productive use can be made of underwater video analysis and specialist training equipment

Ellesmere College was founded in 1884 and is part of the Woodard Group – the largest grouping of public schools in the UK. Over the years it has been responsible for producing some of the British sporting greats including ex-England Rugby captain Bill Beaumont. It is hoped that it will produce the next generation of British swimming greats.

Photos: 1) Alfie Pardoe

2) Elliot Hughes.

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