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**A Great Week of the Summer Sports & Leisure Programme with lots on offer for Gibraltar's children and young people**

It is now week 5 of the Summer Sports and Leisure Programme and the children have been taking part in a fantastic week of sports and fun activities. The Programme, proudly sponsored by NatWest, has now reached the half way mark and the children have had a chance to sample a huge variety of different sports.

Leaders will now be concentrating on refining the skills that the children have learned, to get them ready for the last week and a half at the end of August when we will hold some very exciting sporting competitions, including our own mini Olympic Games.

Another special event this coming week will see the return of the **Maze of Doom**. Leaders will be busy converting the Victoria Stadium Sports Hall into a fantastic maze, a thrilling morning of fun and adventure for all the younger children. Meanwhile, the '12 years and over' group will get a taste of what it is to lead and coach children as they get ready to support our leaders at this fun event.

The Junior Sports Leadership Award has once again started with a group of highly motivated youngsters who are being taught the principles of leadership through sports and coaching. All their hard work will culminate in a fantastic festival of sport where they will put into practice all that they have learned. The young leaders have already promised the 7 to 8 year old children the best, fun event they will ever have. I am sure they cannot wait!

The Stay and Play Programme for children with special needs will continue to organise their events and activities based on the Commonwealth Countries. Learning via fun games and activities has made the Stay and Play programme a brilliant learning experience for both children and leaders/volunteers alike. The Leaders have been working very hard on integration and will celebrate our summer mini Olympics event together with all the Summer Sports children; everyone is very excited.

The ever eager '12 years and over' group of children are thrilled to be part of the Olympic 'organising committee' and will be supporting and helping the children of all ages throughout the day.

A special mention going out to all our prospective anglers, the Gibraltar Angling Association will be holding their annual summer sports fishing competition this Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August.

Also, the junior dog handling courses will be finishing next Tuesday after some very successful workshops. Always a firm favourite for all our junior dog enthusiasts, it's a great way for the youngsters to learn to control and understand their dogs.

Next week's programme includes:

- **Sports Train** for children over the age of 7 years every weekday morning at Bayside Sports Centre from 10am to 12:30 pm.
- **Children's Corner**, Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10am to 12 noon for 5 & 6 year olds.
- **Table Tennis** – Tuesday to Friday at the Victoria Stadium Sports Hall 10 am to 12 noon
- **Dance & Musical Theatre** – Monday to Friday at the Bayside Sports Centre studio 10am to 12 noon
- **Basketball**- Tuesday to Thursday coaching for youngsters at the Tercentenary Sports Hall 10 am to 12 noon
- **Taekwondo** next Friday at the Bayside Sports Centre 10 am to 12 noon
- **Hockey** - Tuesday to Friday coaching by the water based hockey pitch 9:30 to 12 noon
- **Golf** – Monday to Wednesday at the pitch and putt area 9:30 to 12 noon
- **Creative Corner** - Tuesday and Thursday at the Bayside Sports Centre Boathouse
- **Swimming Clinics** – for Children between the ages of 4 and 8 at the GSLA Pool 9:00 to 9:45am

For further information contact the Summer Sports hotline on e-mail [gibsportsdev@gibtelecom.net](mailto:gibsportsdev@gibtelecom.net) or telephone 20076522.