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PRIMARY SCHOOLS PLAY IN OWN 'WORLD CUP'!

A group of Yeovil College Sports students have held a seven-a-side football tournament for local primary schools, all in aid of CLIC Sargent.

Four local primary schools entered five teams for the event, which was organised by a group of BND Sport students. Huish Primary, Preston Primary and Chilthorne Domer schools each entered a team, while Birchfield School entered two. The event had a 'World Cup' theme, with the schools representing countries including England, Brazil and Germany.

The Yeovil College students also held a raffle to raise money, with prizes kindly donated by Costa Coffee, the Tone Zone gym, Asda, Watermarque and Mr Dave Berryman of the Cornish Pirates rugby team. There was also a 'Guess the Number of Sweets in the Jar' competition.

Bad weather caused a last minute change of venue, but the students still managed to raise more than £113 for the charity.

The team from Chilthorne Domer Primary School won the tournament and received medals for their achievement. All of the teams received certificates for taking part.

Heidi Silcox (17) of Beaminster was one of the student organisers. She said "*We have a unit called 'Organising an Event' as part of our course and we really wanted to do something for charity. We decided on a football tournament because everyone likes football! We knew that school kids often play it in school too, so everyone knows how to play. Overall, it was a nice, fun thing to do.*"

College student Madeleine Bradley (17) of Yeovil said "*The kids were really enthusiastic and surprisingly competitive too – some of them were singing 'We'll win, we'll win!' They were running around and really couldn't wait to get involved.*"

Paige Stening (18) of Yeovil added "*A lot of us are keen to do more events like this in the future. We've definitely been bitten by the bug!*"

Yeovil College Lecturer Emma Smith said "*It's been a really fantastic event, in spite of the weather. Everyone has had a really fun day and both the Yeovil College and the school students have got a lot out of this event. It adds another dimension to the BND course and is also part of their Higher Sports Leader Award. We're really pleased*"

that so many people got involved with this fundraising and we're really grateful to the schools and those who donated raffle prizes."

For more information on Yeovil College's Sport courses, please visit www.yeovil.ac.uk.

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