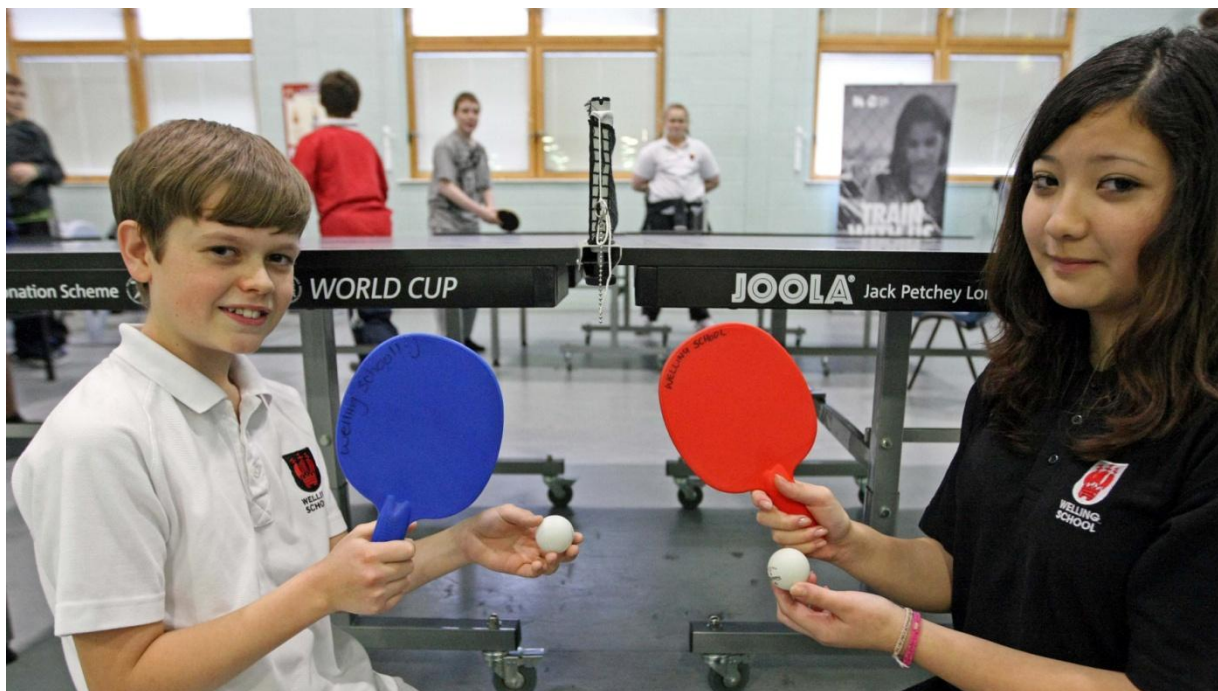


Name of Case Study: Indoor Table Tennis Tables

School: Welling School

Activity: Table Tennis

Date: 4th December 2012



Alex McWhinnie, Head of Faculty

Why did you choose table tennis?

Table tennis has become a very popular sport at Welling School. The students have been inspired by the Olympic Games and enjoying challenging each other during their PE lessons and break/lunch or after school clubs. Students are encouraged even more as they enjoy playing against the teachers also!

How have the indoor tables benefited your school?

The tables have been a massive benefit for Welling School because it has meant we have been able to accommodate the vast number of students we have who wish to take part in table tennis activities. We are currently running 3 after school clubs for all students and are looking to organise inter-year table tennis competitions.

Who is attracted to the tables (e.g. gender, age etc.)?

Boys of all year groups (11-18) enjoy playing table tennis, they come after school and during their break and lunchtimes. Girls have shown that they have enjoyed playing on the tables during their PE lessons.

How have the tables been used e.g. do the students just start playing, or does a teacher need to instruct them etc., have you started a club?

The students are very good at organising themselves to play against each other. They like playing ladder tournaments and around the world games. Yes we have a club, as mentioned; it is currently on Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays after school.

What is the BEST thing about the tables?

The best thing about the tables is that they maximise participation for all students in both their curriculum lessons and extra-curricular lessons. Also they are flexible within their mobility and easy to access.

Do the students play table tennis outside of school, has this made them want to play more?

Since the tables have arrived the popularity of table tennis as a sport has increased at Welling School. I believe that the students would like to play outside of school and some may have already joined clubs or play at homes.

Any other comments/insights?

Below are some photos and quotes from students enjoying the table tennis tables.





These tables are great! This gives me something active to do after school!



I wish I could play table tennis all day... It gives me something to look forward to!

I love teaching Table Tennis – none of the students can beat me!!!



I wish I could beat my brother!!!

