On Friday 20\textsuperscript{th} March Cerebral Palsy Sport Willow Tree School Sport Partnership hosted a SportStart event at the Alec Reed Academy, which was also a Sports Day event for John Chilton School.

Young leaders from Alec Reed Academy’s sixth form and John Chilton School’s Sports Crew arrived early to set-up the different activities and take part in Sports Leaders training around disability sport and making activities inclusive. Children attending our SportStart event had lots of support and encouragement from the 13 young leaders who helped lead a fun filled day for all.

In the morning, the entire secondary school at John Chilton School of over 40 students joined us to begin the day of sports activities and competition. Taking part in Table Cricket,
Polybat, Boccia and Football which was led by Andy from Chelsea FC, participants and their teachers were cheering each other on whilst giving their best in each of the sports.

Following a break for lunch, it was time for the primary school, with over 30 smiling faces bursting through the doors to see what all the excitement was about. Once again the real spirit of sport was clear for all to see, with lots of cheering, supporting their peers and fantastic team work, which made the event a brilliant day all round.

As we came to the end of the day, it was time for the secondary and primary schools to come together for a celebration of all the hard work, team spirit and fun had by coaches, leaders, teachers and definitely our participants. The presentation was led by John Chilton School head teacher Simon Rosenberg, who handed out medals and certificates to all of our young sports stars.

What do you feel was the best part of the day?
“pupils engaging in activities & team spirit”
“everything, not just one thing”
“the organisation and engagement of pupils”
“we loved the whole day”

To form a lasting legacy, children were all given information about opportunities through Cerebral Palsy Sport and local sports clubs to allow them keeping achieving their potential through participation in sport.

If you would like more information about our SportStart programme or other events and activities delivered by CP Sport, please visit our website at www.cpsport.org or contact info@cpsport.org