## **IAPS National Gymnastics Championships**

Massive **Congratulations** to the 35 girls and boys who represented St Faith's on Saturday at IAPS National Gymnastics Finals.

This marked the first year of a bigger and better competition and saw 30 schools from around the country fighting for top spots in 11 different competitions.

For the first time, boys were included in the competition and a 2 piece section was on offer for girls aged Under 9, Under 10, Under 11 and Under 13. Schools had to choose whether to enter the '2piece' or the '4piece' event and, in addition, it was also possible to enter the group sequence competition.

Overall, there was an award for the school with the best combined scores in three out of the four 4piece competitions. Everyone performed magnificently and it is difficult to pick out highlights.

Congratulations to Polina and Vivian who competed handspring vaults for the first time. Very well done to Penelope in Year 2 and Phoebe in Year 3 who represented our Under 9 team.

Well done to Alex and Hannah who gained trophies for the best vaulting in their respective age groups. Connie gained the joint top floor mark in her age group.

Well done to Emily (joint Champion in U13) Viraj (Champion U11 boy) Max (Champion U9 boy)

We are delighted to announce we are now IAPS champions in : U13 Group Sequence U13 4 Piece Girls U11 Boys U9 Boys

We also finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in U13 boys and U9 girls and our U10 team finished 5<sup>th</sup> in group and 6<sup>th</sup> overall while our U11s finished 6<sup>th</sup> in group and 5<sup>th</sup> overall.

Oh yes...and best of all, we were crowned 'Top School at the competition'.

The full results can be found on the VLE on this link.

The tremendous effort on everyone's part was rewarded by well-deserved success.

Miss Butler, Mr North and Mrs North would like to thank all parents for their support over the weekend and in particular Mr Bond and Mrs Astin who heled with coaching.

Mrs Linda North