
Pupils enjoy a conversion to rugby

CHILDREN are learning about scrums, rucks and mauls at Hamstreet School thanks to the sponsorship of a cleaning company.

Ian Beach, the founder of Aylesford-based Ridge Crest Cleaning, is sponsoring rugby training at Hamstreet School for boys and girls in Years 3 to 6.

Due to Ridge Crest's sponsorship the school has gained the services of qualified coach Ian Kelsey from Ashford Rugby Club, as well as the necessary kit.

Seven-year-old Finn Callow, a regular at the Friday afternoon sessions, said: "We have a real laugh and I love getting muddy – but I don't think my mum is so happy."

The school now hopes to enter the Ashford Rugby Club School Festival in May 2009.

Ridge Crest's involvement at Hamstreet School goes beyond the playing field, having sponsored solar heating panels for the school's swimming pool.

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