

# Chilton Trinity Athlete takes Bronze in Combined Events Championships

Chilton Trinity pupil Will Stokes, aged 12, competed in the Somerset Schools Athletic Association Combined Events Championships held at Millfield School on Saturday 25 April 2015.

Representing Chilton Trinity in the under 13's category, Will had to compete in the 100 metre sprint, 3Kg Shotput, Long Jump and 800 metres. For each discipline, the athletes are awarded points depending upon their time or distance achieved, with the overall winner of the event being the athlete with the highest accumulated score after all 4 events.

After the 100 metres Will was lying in sixth position, but strong performances and personal bests in the Shotput & Long Jump saw Will climb back into contention for a medal, with only the 800 metres remaining. With a strong field in the Under 13 boys competition, Will had to dig deep in the home straight to enable him to accumulate enough points to win the Bronze Medal with a score of 736 points, missing out on the Silver Medal by just 2 points. For a complete set of results go to:

<http://www.somersetschoolsathletics.org.uk/page69.html>

After finishing the 800metres Will said "the fast pace was really tough, and only sheer determination & the hard work that I have put in during training got me to the finish line".

Will, and his brother Louis, train all year round at Millfield School with the Academy of Combined Events (ACE), who are managed by well known Athletics coaches Graham Norris & Peter Grosjean.

Speaking after the event, both Graham & Peter praised the hard work that Will has put in during the last 2 years, including keeping his fitness together through a series of minor injuries.

ACE were also successful in the Girls Under 13 event, with Ciara Alexander taking the Gold Medal and Jemima Chelida winning a Bronze medal in the Dorset Championship. Other ACE athletes who took part included Issy Lock, a year young and competing for the 1<sup>st</sup> time, also Toby Sauter, both of whom did very well and are expected to provide some very fierce competition next year! Former ACE athlete Lottie Garratt won a bronze medal.

For any Athlete who would like to register an interest in Combined Eventing, further information can be found on the Academy of Combined Events website [www.aceathletics.co.uk](http://www.aceathletics.co.uk)



Will pictured above with his athletics Coaches, Peter Grosjean & Graham Norris.