

Fives returns to Shrewsbury House

Fives has been reintroduced to Shrewsbury House School in Surbiton, South West London, after 100 children enjoyed an introductory session.

A chance conversation led to the discovery of two dormant courts at the school, and the RFA and EFA joined forces to run an introductory session on the unique courts. Believed to be Bat Fives courts, they most resemble three-walled Rugby Fives courts,

but with a higher bar. They are in good condition, having been refurbished recently, and also act as the school's War Memorial.

During the session – which started with a match between RFA President Dick Warner and fellow board member Andy Pringle – a constant stream of pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 played on the courts under the tutelage of Dick and the EFAs Howard Wiseman, with former

EFA Chairman Richard Barber looking on.

Also among those taking a keen interest were the school's Director of Sport, Billy Davison, who had organised the day, while the school's headmaster and the head of governors also came to watch. All agreed that it was great to see the courts in use again, and the school is now employing a coach to ensure the continued success of the game.



Some 100 pupils at the school played on the unique courts