



▲ Great Britain's Sitting Volleyball head coach, Steve Jones, *bottom right*, gave a special lesson to students at The King's School, Ottery St. Mary. Picture by Alex Walton. Ref sho 0171-02-12AW. Go to [www.sidmouthherald.co.uk](http://www.sidmouthherald.co.uk) and click on myphotos24 to order your copy of this photograph

# National volleyball coach gives Olympic insight

**SPORTY** pupils from The King's School took part in a sitting volleyball session with a national coach to help them teach more children about Paralympic sport.

Steve Jones, the Great Britain women's coach, visited the Ottery school last Friday and delivered an introductory session to a group of sports leaders.

The school hopes these pupils, who are undertaking the 'Sports Leaders UK Award Level 1', will now run some taster sessions later on in the year so more students can have a go at the sport before they see it on television during

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the London 2012 games.

The visit was facilitated by Ros Sutherland from King's Volleyball Club, who delivers volleyball coaching at the school on a regular basis, and also taking part were some students from The King's School's Young Ambassador programme.

They are pupils selected due to their sporting talent and their commitment and ability as young leaders or volunteers, who seek to increase participation in school sport and promote the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic

Games.

Rob Gammon, the deputy headteacher, said: "It has been really exciting to offer sports leaders training in a Paralympic sport.

"As we enter 2012 we are conscious of the need to develop the sporting legacy of the Olympic and Paralympic Games."

Rob said King's is doing a number of Olympic themed activities, including a 'House Dance Competition' inspired by the games' opening ceremony, a photography competition, and have been visited by former Olympic athletes such as Jason Gardner.

