#### Silloth Primary Football

Report by: Andrew Brooks

Silloth Boys Reach **Community Cup Final.** Way back in February, Silloth Primary School's boys' football team entered the Nationwide Football Community Cup, in connection with Carlisle United.

The tournament (held at the Sands Centre, Carlisle) saw our team play five games in the group stages. We won four and drew one in order to reach the quarter-finals. We won this and then beat Hayton convincingly in the semi-finals.

This tremendous achievement meant we were to play on April 5th at the Neill Sports Centre, Brunton Park. This was a Saturday and

also match day for 'The Blues'. After a tour of the stadium, we played the final, only to lose narrowly to Kingmoor Junior School, Carlisle.

Once again, our school's footballers did us proud. This season has seen both the girls and boys reach a major final. A fantastic achievement I'm sure you'll agree.

My thanks goes to Mary Hillhouse for all her support (and buying of chips!), the parents for turning out to cheer the team on in the final and of course to the boys for all their hard work, commitment, sportsmanship and excellent behaviour throughout.

Well done and be proud as we are of you!



## Silloth Rugby Club



Report & Photos by: Geoff Bland

After winning the Shield League, Silloth progressed to the Shield Final after beating Carlisle 2nd in the semi final 13 - 3 at Silloth.

The Final was played at Wigton against Penrith Vagabonds on a cold windy showery day.

Silloth took the lead with a try by Steven Pape, then Darren Irwin charged through a crowd of players for another try.

Penrith replied with a penalty then they had two quick tries one of which was converted and they were leading 15 - 10 with four minutes to go. Silloth now playing

with 14 men produced a great move, the ball passing right along the back line for Paul Blake to dive in at the left corner for the equaliser at 15 - 15 a difficult kick for Phillip Scott (pictured) from the touch line with a cross wind blowing. An audible groan from our supporters as the ball hit a post and bounced back.

Extra time was played with no further score, and Silloth won the Shield having scored 3 tries to Penriths 2.

Back to Silloth with the Shields and a visit to the R.A.F.A. Club and the Balmoral before ending the day at the Club House for the Presentation of Trophies. A great team effort by the players who all gave 100% and deserved to

win. Thanks to our spectators who supported the team through the



season and to our Physio George Wilson, who

looked after the players aches and pains.



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