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Murray and Williams inspire London's kids

The search to find London's answer to Andy Murray and Serena Williams is underway after primary schools from 10 boroughs competed in the London Kids Tennis Challenge (LKTC), a project Inspired by London 2012. The Grand Finals, held at Will to Win Hyde Park on Friday, were won by St Mary's Primary from Hounslow.

The LKTC is an inter-schools competition designed to give London's children a taste of mini-tennis, which is played with a softer ball and a lower net to make it easier for young children to enjoy. The event, which is in its inaugural year, is run by London-based charity [Tennis For A Life](#), which has been set up to introduce sport to children and young people in communities across the Capital.

"Mini-tennis makes it easy for young kids to get playing and it makes it much more fun for them. Our aim is to make tennis enjoyable and keep them playing so that we can find the next Andy or Serena," said Tennis For a Life Trustee Steve Riley.

Tennis For A Life sent trained coaches into Primary Schools across London to run mini-tennis taster sessions and even provided rackets, balls and nets for free. The schools then nominated a boy and a girl from each session to head into Friday's Grand Finals.

The LKTC is one of 2,700 projects nationwide officially recognised by L.O.C.O.G as being Inspired by the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. For more information on the Inspired By initiative, please [click here](#).

Schools competing in the London Kids Tennis Challenge

Ealing	Grange Primary
Greenwich	Haimo Primary
Greenwich	Millenium Primary
Hounslow	St Marys
Hounslow	Belmont Primary
Islington	Canonbury Primary School
Islington	Dalmeny Road
Lewisham	Downderry Primary School

Newham	Curwen Primary School
Merton	All Saints' Church of England Primary School
Wandsworth	Granard Primary
Westminster	St. Vincent's

“This is a fantastic way to get schools across London to come together to take advantage of the great sporting facilities we have in the Royal Parks. The standard of tennis here today was very high and hopefully some of these children will be inspired by London 2012.” Linda Lennon CBE, Chief Executive, The Royal Parks

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