AROUND THE GROUNDS



Tennis

MARIST COLLEGE vs St Edmund's College – Saturday 18th July 2020 (RD 1)

Each week we will have brief team reports each with the aim to cover as many teams as possible. Please see Team Reports below:

First IV Tennis Vs St Edmunds College

The 1st's come up against strong opponents in St. Edmunds on Saturday. After the opening doubles matches, the day was tied at 1 match all after **Liam Webb** and **Kyle Ephraim** won their match and the boys were looking to take some of their success into the singles matches. Unfortunately, the opposition proved too tough, claiming 3 out of the 4 singles matches as well as both of the reverse doubles matches. Despite this, there was definitely some positive game play and determination shown from the boys including an individual highlight from **Liam Webb** who was able to win in dominant fashion, 6-2 6-0. Whilst this was not the result the boys were looking for, there were many positives to take away from the day and they will be looking to put in a solid week of training in preparation for their next match.

TEAM	TEAM REPORT
2 nd IV	The opening round for the 2nd IV certainly did not disappoint. After a gruelling few hours of tennis, the matches were all tied up at 4 sets all, 31 games each. It was due to efforts such as that from Pascal Mulders , who won his singles 7-5, that gave us the few games needed to tie things all up. Whilst the boys would have liked to have gotten the win, a draw for the day was only fitting as both teams played quality tennis. The boys will be taking lots of positives from this round to next Saturday where they will look to get there first win of the season.
3 rd IV	The 3rd IV got off to an evenly matched start as they split doubles matches with their opposition. Despite this, the boys were able to break away as they claimed 4 out of the next 6 matches played. The highlight of the day definitely came from Sasha Sofronoff and Nelson Mackay with their display of consistent tennis throughout their matches as they didn't lose a match all day. This was a great start to the season and the boys will be eager to get a good week's worth of training under their belt before round 2 next Saturday.
11A	The 11A team absolutely annihilated their opposition in a one-sided clash. The opposition proved no match for the boys as they came away with an outstanding 8 matches to 0 win. The highlight of the round came from Jakub Bennett and Patrick Newman who not only won both of their doubles matches together, but also obliterated their opposition 6-0 respectively in singles. This was a superb start to the season for the boys and they will be looking to keep this momentum going into the 2nd round of the season.





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11B	The 11B team got off to a brilliant start in the opening round of competition, winning both their doubles matches. The magnificent tennis from the boys didn't stop there as they claimed all the other matches, coming away with a remarkable 8 matches to 0 win. Special mention must go to Angus Brown who only dropped 4 games across 3 matches for the entire day. The boys are definitely a force to be reckoned with and will be looking to keep this dominating form going into next week's match.
YEAR 10	The Grade 10 teams were back in familiar settings for the first-round match-up against St Edmund's. Both A and B teams won convincingly by scores of 7-1 and 8-0 respectively. Ruben Darwin and Blake Harrold were too strong winning all three of their matches including 2 doubles wins for MCA. In the 10B's Lachlan Jenkins , Sam Brennan , Jackson Tallis and Harry Masel all went undefeated.
YEAR 9	9A welcomed back Hugh Hodgett from his 1 st team experience this week and he, Will Moon and Joel Ephraims went undefeated in singles and doubles. The team overall was striking the ball very well and scored a 7-1 victory. In similar fashion our 9B's scored a 7-1 team victory. Aidan Kani , Andrew Milnerbower and Robbie Power were undefeated for the day.
YEAR 8	The grade 8 MCA tennis teams are highly touted this season and are picked to go deep into the AIC event. With the Hive hosting the final event there is plenty of motivation to be in a great position at the end of the season. They didn't disappoint today winning 16 matches with the A and B teams combined. Their doubles play was equally impressive as their singles as Louis Morris and Jake Davidson won 6-0.
YEAR 7	The grade 7 team were as impressive as their grade 8 counterparts winning every match against St Edmund's. Hamish Davidson , Thomas Clulow , Lachlan Davidson , Elliot Schanzl , Benjamin Mead and Jordan Pratt all winning 6-0 and combining well to dominate the doubles.
YEAR 6	MCA grade 6 teams came to the courts ready to compete! 6A won 8-0 and 6B almost matched them winning 7-1. There were many dominant performances and they played great together as a team. Fletcher Wessling , Will Lambley and Sam Tealby only lost one single game in all of their matches.
YEAR 5	Our 5A team match against Ambrose Treacy was a seesaw affair but our exceptional team work in doubles got us across the line for a 5-3 win. Player of the day for the 5A team was Oscar White who dominated all three of his matches and had great sportsmanship on the court. The MCA 5B team went undefeated for the 2 nd week. Sam Mapledoram, Felix Nolan, Owen Aldridge and Daniel Ortiz . 5B player of the day was really hard to pick because they all won their matches and played so well but a special mention goes to Owen Aldridge for pulling out a 7-5 in singles win in a pressure situation.

