



# Tennis

## MARIST COLLEGE vs St Laurence's College – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2020

*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 Laurences College

Our MCA 1st IV squared off against St Lawrence's College for the first time this season on their home courts last Friday night under lights. Each match was tightly contested throughout the evening. In the opening doubles matches MCA stood firm through a flurry of exchanges. Despite that fighting spirit, Lauries were all to take the upper hand into singles play. **Liam Webb** was looking to add to his 2 singles wins for the season and battled hard at the #3 spot. **Kyle Ephraims** also played out a tight duel at the #4 spot. Lauries eventually took the team points but our young men will be ready too finish strong this weekend.

TEAM	TEAM REPORT
2 <sup>nd</sup> IV	The 2nd's IV unfortunately went down in their encounter, 6 matches to 2. With sadly having to forfeit 3 out of the 8 matches due to missing a player, it was always going to be an up hill battle to claim the victory. The boys fought extremely hard and <b>Pascal Mulders</b> should be congratulated on an excellent display of tennis, claiming both of the 2 matches won. The boys will hopefully put in a great week on the training court in preparation for their final match of the season.
3 <sup>rd</sup> IV	The 3rds IV unfortunately were out played on the day as they were beaten 8 matched to 0 matches. Despite this, the boys showed a positive attitude and enthusiasm both on and off the court and should be applauded for this. The boys will go back to the drawing board this week and will be looking at getting a solid weeks worth of training in before the game next Saturday.
11A	Unfortunately, the 11A boys were outclassed in their clash with St Laurences. The opposition ran away with a 7 matches to 1 victory. Despite this, all of the boys had a nerve give up attitude and fought extremely hard for every point. This was evident by <b>Freddie Powers</b> close win of 7 games to 6. The boys will be looking to iron out a few aspects of their game before next Saturday's match and will be looking to finish the season with a win.
11B	Unfortunately the 11B's were unable to claim victory in their clash as their opposition proved too strong. <b>Aiden Kani</b> must be commended for stepping up last minute to play in the team and also managing to claim the only singles win, 6 games to 3. The boys will be looking to shake off this result and have a solid weeks worth of training before their next match.



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10A	The 10A team put up a great fight against formidable opponents. Despite the fighting spirit, the boys went down 5 matches to 3 matches. However there were definitely many positives to take away from the clash including some individual highlights from <b>Blake Harrold</b> who won a gruelling match 7 games to 5 games. The team will be looking to bounce back from the loss and finish the season with a win when they play next Saturday.
10B	A few new faces in the 10B's team for this round of competition saw an epic battle go down. The boys managed to come away with an extremely close win of 4 matches all, 33 games to 28 games. All the boys need to be commended for showing determination and perseverance as every game they won, helped them achieve the win in this nail biting encounter. The team will be looking to have a solid week on the practice court before they take on their opposition this coming Saturday.
9A	The 9A team started the day in superb fashion, winning both of the opening doubles matches. An excellent show of determination from <b>Joel Ephraims</b> who battled his way to a 6-4 win as well as close doubles win from <b>Hugh Hodgetts</b> and <b>Edward Price</b> 4-3, saw the boys come away with a 5 matches to 3 win. This fighting spirit from the boys must be commended and will hopefully lead to further success in their season.
9B	The 9B team clearly outclassed their opposition as they came away with a dominant 6 matches to 2 victory. After splitting the first set of doubles matches, the boys ran away with it, claiming 5 out of the next 6 matches. Both <b>Aidan Kani</b> and <b>Robert Power</b> showed an excellent display of tennis as they both claimed comfortable wins in all 3 of their matches. The team will be looking to keep this great run of success going into the final week of competition.
YEAR 8	The undefeated grade 8's showed why again against Lauries last weekend. Our 8A took the overall match 5-3 after splitting the doubles matches then pulling away with 3 singles wins via <b>Isaac Roach</b> , <b>Harry White</b> and <b>Henry Lambley</b> . The MCA 8B's also won by 5 matches to 3. In a similar scoreline they slit the opening doubles then took the lead through their exceptional singles play as <b>Oliver Betts</b> , <b>Austin Gillett</b> and <b>Jake Davidson</b> won over their opponents.
YEAR 7	Our grade 7 team were engaged in a tight tussle against Lauries throughout the morning. The 7A's split their doubles matches 2-2 so it all came down to singles where <b>Thomas Clulow</b> , <b>Andrew Woodward</b> and <b>Elliot Shanzl</b> were able to push their team across the line! In similar fashion, the 7B team split their first doubles matches and also their singles. As they entered the final doubles it was tied 3-3. MCA then turned up the heat on their opponents to take the two remaining matches and win 5-3. <b>Ben Mead</b> was undefeated in his 3 matches.



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YEAR 6	<p>The MCA grade 6 teams had another outstanding weekend! With the 6A's winning 7-1 and the 6B's winning 8-0. All the boys played exceptionally well. With the standouts being <b>Fletcher Wessling</b> who went undefeated and didn't drop a single game and <b>Jack Purcell</b> who won all of his matches with class, only dropping a total of 3 games.</p>
YEAR 5	<p>Our 5A and 5B teams also defeated the St. Lawrence boys. With the 5A's finishing with a 7-1 win and the 5B's a 6-2 win. All the boys won their singles matches only dropping a few games here and there. The stand out player of the day in the A team was <b>Matt Terwin</b> who won all 3 of his matches and only dropped 2 games overall. The player of the day for the 5B team was <b>Owen Aldridge</b> for his exemplary attitude on and off the court. He's always having fun on the court and when he's not playing he's cheering for his teammates.</p>