

**Marist Primary Rugby League – Round 3 vs. Iona College**

	<b>Result</b>	<b>Best and Fairest</b>
<b>6A</b>	Marist 16 Iona 10	3 – Nathan Wright 2 – Theo Katter 3 – Beau Ballinger
	<p>The Marist 6 A rugby league team had a very impressive win against Iona on Saturday, 16-10. After last weeks second half capitulation against Padua, the boys met during the week to reassess our plan and attitude. The theme of “grit and determination” was agreed upon. I am pleased to say that the boys walked the walk!. From the kick-off the boys, led enthusiastically by captain Beau Balinge, tackled in numbers and with good shoulder contact, leg drive and strong dominance. The much bigger Iona forwards were rattled by the power and aggression in tackles. Attacking flair from the backs saw two exceptional tries from Finn Beaver and Jake Byrne on the end of kicks and back line sweeping moves. Theo Katter and Harry Deane did not take a backward step and charged up the middle making great meters as all good front rowers should. Finley Elphinston, Nathan Wright, Joey Neighbor and Beau Balinge kept the momentum going forward off great distribution from Jack Willoughby and Flynn Barrett. Exceptional goal kicking from Connor Henderson, kept us in the game. Overall, this was our best performance of the season to date. The boys talked well in defense and followed the game plan in attack. The teamwork was exceptional, the boys are grasping the importance of working for each other and not letting each other down.</p> <p>Best and fairest points were difficult to award in a strong all-round team performance, however coaches settled on: Nathan Wright 3, Theo Katter 2, and Beau Ballinger 1.</p> <p>Special thanks to Mr. Newman, College principal, who always offers support to the team through his presence and encouragement. The boys, and their parents, really appreciate seeing him there at our games.</p>	
<b>6B</b>	Iona 32 Marist 8	

	<b>Result</b>	<b>MVP</b>
<b>5A</b>	Iona 48 Marist 12	
<b>5B</b>	Iona 40 Marist 8	