



## Basketball – Results

Team	SLC	ATC	Villa	Padua	Iona	SPLC	SPC
<b>6A MVP</b>	23 – 28 Quinn Lovering	33 – 52 Ethan Taylor	Cancelled	30 – 26 Oliver Macready Connor Campbell	9 – 26 Coen Netzler		
<b>6B MVP</b>	8 – 27 Miles McGregor	18 – 28 Cooper Hayes	Cancelled	19 – 12 Mikka Piipari	24 – 24 Nick Prendergast		
<b>6C MVP</b>	14 – 18 Alex Homer	11 – 35 Harry Cootes Tom Hammond	Cancelled	16 – 22 Harry Vickery Matt Henselien	22 – 17 Tom Hammond Rafa Gonsalves	Bye	
<b>6 Gold MVP</b>	23 – 20 Finn Monkivitch	4 – 36 Marshall Hair	Cancelled	12 – 22 Joey Stirling Caleb Van Coevorden	26 – 25 Lucas Weir Isaac Mahoney	Bye	
<b>5A MVP</b>	15 – 40 Harry Cleary	15 – 40 Harry Cleary	Cancelled	15 – 75 Rocco Holmes	30 – 33 Harry Cleary		
<b>5B MVP</b>	12 – 18 Team Defence	46 – 7	Cancelled	19 – 12 Riley Keane	26 – 17		
<b>5C MVP</b>	17 – 17 Hamish Foxall	Villa 5C 8 – 14 Remi Sakzewski	Cancelled	13 – 15	21 – 14 Oliver Ve	Bye	
<b>5 Gold MVP</b>	16 – 16 Ale Romano	Villa 5 Gold 14 – 16 Will Webster	Cancelled	21 – 9 Ewan Cahill	37 – 3 Ale Romano	Bye	

## Basketball – Around the Grounds

### 6A

The 6As made the trip out to Iona and were met with a well drilled, fundamentally sound opposition who got the better of them throughout the game. There were some bright points including patches of good team defence and strong offensive rebounding but overall, the team lost to a better side. The boys have been challenged to come back to training this week with more intensity in order to prepare for the last two games of the season against St Peters and St Pats. This week's MVP Coen Netzler showed that coming to training with the right attitude every session pays off on matchday and his hard work and efforts haven't gone unnoticed.

### 6B

Being the first game on the new courts at Iona College the 6B basketballers were aiming to be the first team to win there. Unfortunately, that plan didn't come to fruition but we weren't the first team to lose there either as the boys played out a thrilling 24 all draw. The first quarter was a tight affair with the teams going shot for shot. Marist found some momentum in the second quarter to lead 18 – 10. Iona went on an 8-point





run of their own to tie the game up. Marist then led 24 - 20 with only 2 minutes remaining in what felt like a comfortable lead until Iona tied the game up late to leave the game in a stale mate.

The effort and improvements from the first game have been enormous. Nick Prendergast and Stanley Grellman dominated in the paint at both ends of the court. Harry Cootes injected some speed to help us transition up the court in his first game for the 6Bs and contributed with a crucial basket late in the game. Cooper Hayes and Mikka Piipari's defensive pressure contributed to many turnovers from Iona. These are just a few notable performances from what was another game where everyone contributed.

## **6C**

A fantastic win for the young men of the 6C team. We meant business from the tip off with excellent rebounding and great teamwork. Tom Hammond consistently put himself in the front position when rebounding, getting lots of ball. Rafa Gonsalves had a great game including an awesome reject stopping an opposition scoring shot under the basket. Mr Dependable, Archie Engstrom, worked really hard at both ends of the court and was especially good at chasing down the Iona fast break player when in transition.

## **6 Gold**

In what was the team's best team performance this season, each and every boy played over and above expectation, in what was the grittiest and thrilling game so far. All boys learned that better communication, smarter passing and slowing the pace of the game down worked in our favour.

Isaac Mahoney, Harvey Laughton and Jarvis O'Neill led the way with their shooting whilst Fraser Ullman and Kai Yip were fabulous in attack.

Lucas Weir, Finn Monkivitch, Caleb Van Coevorden, Joe Stirling and Marshall Hair maintained the continuity of scoring and defending well to see the team only one point down with less than two minutes to play. With 15 seconds remaining Marshall Hair scored the winning basket to win by one point!!! Well done boys. Fabulous effort by every boy.

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## **5A**

After a tough loss to Padua last week, the 5As raced out of the blocks in the first quarter of Friday's game. The major focus at training this week was ball movement and rebounding and it was great to see the boys execute this during the game. They played as a team, ran the fast-break and forced Iona to take some tough shots. Unfortunately, some late baskets by Iona in the final two minutes meant that the boys went down 33-30 in their best game of the season.

## **5B**

The Marist 5B boys had another win on the back of their strong defence. The boys started and finished tough against a very spirited Iona team. Whilst JD Cootes had the highest number of rebounds and Jackson Harney and Harry Player were tremendous it was definitely a team effort.

## **5C**

The 5Cs had their first win of the season, beating a determined Iona side. Scrappy defence and an improved passing performance were the difference late in the game, with Marist managing to break away in what had been a close game. The boys should be very happy with their performance.

## **5 Gold**

The 5 Gold boys continued their hot streak with an impressive blow out win against Iona on Friday! The boys moved the ball with ease up and down the court and in the half-court set and found fantastic shots and converted them often. A special shout-out goes to Ale Romano for an incredible offensive display, Ale showed off his impressive ball handling and shooting throughout the entire game.

