



## Basketball – Results

Team	SLC	ATC	Villa	Padua	Iona	SPLC	SPC
6A MVP	23 – 28 Quinn Lovering						
6B MVP	8 – 27 Miles McGregor						
6C MVP	14 – 18 Alex Homer						
6 Gold MVP	23 – 20 Finn Monkivitch						
5A MVP	15 – 40 Harry Cleary						
5B MVP	12 – 18 Team Defence						
5C MVP	17 – 17 Hamish Foxall						
5 Gold MVP	16 – 16 Ale Romano						

## Basketball – Around the Grounds

### 6A

The 6As had an extremely tough game against a well-rounded Laurie's side on Friday afternoon. First game of the season had the boys nervous and ready to compete to try and achieve the goal of an undefeated season. Our starting 5 gave us all hope early on with a couple of great baskets from Ethan Taylor and Ike Rowland. Offensively the boys looked great however defence let us down in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters enabling Laurie's to take back our lead and pile on more points of their own. 4<sup>th</sup> quarter defence looked better after some tactics were addressed at three-quarter time. Some boys struggled to find rhythm while others were consistently scoring through the whole game trying to keep us within 2 to 4 points. The one constant was the incredible amounts of effort each boy displayed when it mattered most whether it was the first minute or the last final seconds. Quinn Lovering stepped up in the final 5 minutes making some tough layups trying to give us that last push for a win however it wasn't enough on the day.





### **6B**

The 6Bs knew they were a big chance to start the season off with a win against an SLC team that only defeated them by 2 points in the trial match the week before. Unfortunately, this was not the case as SLC dominated the game from the outset in what was a comprehensive 27 - 8 victory. The effort and intensity were certainly there just some errors at key moments hurt the team. The boys are sure to bounce back against ATC on Friday.

### **6C**

A hard-fought loss to start the season for the 6C team. It was heartening to see the team show great fighting spirit to come back in the last quarter. MVP Alexander Homer showed great court vision to send some great passes to his teammates in the key. Harry Cootes was excellent in both offense and defence. And Callum Curtin was tough to pass when playing defence getting a lot of steals from the opposition players. Next week our goal is to work on securing the rebound on the first attempt and not giving the opposition too many shots on goal.

### **6 Gold**

A great start to the season with a good team win against a strong opposition. The team were behind for most of the match and it came down to the last quarter. MCA scored the necessary points to even it up and then produce the winning shots in the last minutes. Great teamwork from Kai Yip and Fraser Ullman.

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### **5A**

After a strong start in the first quarter, the 5As were simply outclassed by a well-drilled SLC team. The boys passing and defence improved noticeably since their trial against the same opposition in Week 1's trial. A special mention to Harry Cleary, Josh Connell and Toby Mylne who worked hard to stop the SLC fast break, leading all players in steals. This week's focus at training will be offensive aggression and rebounding to limit second chance points.

### **5B**

Much improved effort from the boys against a strong SLC team that was too good in the end. The full week of training paid off and the boys are starting to improve. I expect great things from this team. Defence in particular was outstanding.

### **5C**

In their first AIC game for Marist, the 5C boys faced a determined St Laurie's outfit who played well throughout the game, maintaining a lead for the first 3 and a half quarters. However, the boys rallied well late in the 4<sup>th</sup>, and in a great display of the Marist spirit managed to come back down to double digits and draw the game in the last 30 seconds. Credit goes to boys on a great first game.

### **5 Gold**

The first game of the season saw the Marist boys take on SLC for rematch after last week's trial. The game started with great pace with MCA taking an early 8-point lead with some great early ball movement and defensive pressure. Laurie's slowly rallied through the next 3 quarters to leave the game tied with 8 seconds left for the final play but the Marist boys trapped well on defensive to spoil any chances of their opposition scoring. An all-around great game!

