

ST KATHERINE'S SCHOOL PE & SPORT NEWSLETTER

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WEST BROM FOOTBALL TRIP

Group of SK footballing students travel to watch West Brom fight for safety

On Saturday 7 April a group of footballing students from St Kath's travelled up the M5 to the Hawthorns, home of West Bromwich Albion Football Club. The match day experience has become an annual feature on our trip calendar and we worked out on the journey up that this was the sixth year that we have run the visit. Things were looking bleak at the prospect of a seventh year though as West Brom found themselves rooted to the foot of the table and fighting for their place in the Premier League so the group were determined to make the most of their visit!



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Although we have visited plenty of times for many of the younger students this was their first experience of the West Brom trip and actually there were one or two older ones who hadn't been before either. Those regulars in the group were well versed in the format of the day yet still struggled to remember the names of the stands and some of the facts about the stadium during the tour of the ground.

The great thing about this trip is that there is always something different going on each year to have a look at and the tour of the stadium is never the same twice! As we walked around to the highest point of any football stadium in the country we watched the goal line technology testing being carried out and then on our way out of the stadium some of the boys waited for the players to arrive and a couple were lucky enough to get autographs and pictures with two players; Gareth McAuley and Craig Dawson who kindly stopped on their way in to the ground.



As the group headed back over for their training session they bumped into a really interesting group all riding bikes for a very good reason! All of the youngsters on our trip have grown up knowing the Premier League as a somewhat magical world and none of them will be able to imagine the footballing world that Cyrille Regis played in a few decades ago. Lots of them might have heard about Regis who sadly passed away at the start of this year aged 59 and his legacy which changed not only the world of football but of wider society as well. Under West Brom manager Ron Atkinson, Regis played alongside Laurie Cunningham and Brendon Batson who were not the first black players to play top level English

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football but whose collective development challenged attitudes and perceptions which were rife at the time. The bike riders had cycled all the way from Swansea to West Brom ahead of the game raising money for The Albion Foundation and one of the riders was Brendon Batson who was happy to give Mac Marshall his autograph!

The group then headed over for one of their favourite parts of the day, the matches in the academy training dome – an amazing indoor facility just minutes from the stadium. None of the students wasted any time in getting stuck into their matches and it was great to watch them all playing and enjoying themselves. In no time at all an hour and half had passed by and there is absolutely no doubt that they would have carried on playing all afternoon had it not been for the pending kick off!



The group headed back over to pick up their lunch on the way to the stadium and then took their seats to watch a hotly contested fight for survival. I think it was fair to say that the first half didn't exhibit a huge amount of quality but the two goals in the second half made up for it as the group watched WBA go into the lead only to squander it to a Tammy Abraham equaliser later in the second half.

A brilliant day out and as always superbly organised by The Albion Foundation! A great way to reward a lot of our footballing students!



Mr Thomas and Mr Cook

SPRING HOUSE SPORT

Lower school leavers take to basketball court for final house competition

As the examination period looms on the horizon for our year 11 students, Friday lunchtimes over the last few weeks have given those that want it the opportunity to let off some steam in the very last year 11 house competition. Mixed basketball is the activity and houses have been busy competing against each other over a number of weeks in this short, sharp and frenzied series of matches.

The rules were simple; houses must always maintain a 3-2 gender balance on court, matches were 1 period of 6 minutes and each house played the others twice in a double round robin format. Matches were drawn out of the hat at random and time regulations strictly enforced to ensure fairness across the board. Rather than accumulate points for victory, houses were placed on their average point score across all of their matches meaning that consistent high scoring was the name of the game!

Jupiter were drawn first out of the hat at 'home' to Mars and took the lead in what turned out to be a very close match. Every single one of the players on court for the blue house in their first match has played basketball for the school before and so they were looking for a strong performance. Samatar took on ball handling duties while Amy, Dexter and Matt filled spots up the court. Bo took prime shooting position and this certainly payed off as she scored a number of points but unfortunately Jupiter found themselves down 12 to 8 at the final buzzer.



Straight after Jupiter lost the first match of the competition they were back out on court back to back against Saturn house with the players in yellow being drawn at 'home'. This turned out to be a really tense contest that went right to the wire with Samatar and Bailee both sailing close to the wind on 2 fouls each during the closing minutes. Despite Bailee's foul count he did ratchet up a number points for his house which kept them right in the game. Bo Marshall was on fine shooting form once again but still her house were 2 points short at the buzzer – consistent scoring if nothing else but would it be high enough at the end of the competition?



Having not been drawn on court out of the random generator until game 4, Mercury were itching to get their first points of the competition. Being drawn out against Mars first up was a tough ask as Mars were 2 from 2 and looking strong at this point but Mercury came out and surprised them. It did help that Mars were forced to play back to back games but Louis Stratton wasn't worried as he capitalised scoring 5 points for his team. Tara settled into the game quickly coming back from injury and went on a couple of early drives to threaten the red basket. When the pressure was on at the red house were behind who should step up to the plate but captain and chief competitor Caolán Pearce. Caolán drew contact and hit 2 from 2 at the foul line to take the team back into the lead. Even a late basket from Chris Drohan couldn't stop Nabil and Charlie ensuring that Mars finished ahead 8-7 at the buzzer although Jupiter and Saturn were pleased that the Mars average point score had dropped a little from this contest.

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Saturn had Mars worried from the outset in a really closely contested match which brought the best basketball from both houses. Charlie Rice was instrumental in an eventual red victory in this match with his offensive rebounding statistics and subsequent finishing ability. Charlie notched up 4 points but won a good deal more rebounds which proved essential for his team. All round point scoring contributions from Harrison, Crutchley and Lawrence made it a tense finish but it was another victory for Mars. Lauren and Leesha were an effective mid-court duo for Mars and used all of their netballing skills to intercept and effect a number of turnovers. Faith and Elise were really clever at moving opposition players around on the perimeter which gave their team mates an opportunity to drive to the basket almost giving the yellow house the win!

Unfortunately time got the better of us and we couldn't finish the competition but nonetheless it was great to see year 11 enjoying a little more competitive sport this year! Apologies to those who didn't get to play as much as they would have liked but well done to everyone who represented their house.

Mr Cook

10 LEADERS SPRING SCHOOL GAMES

Leaders help put on Spring Games for almost 1000 local children in April sunshine

On Thursday 19 April a group of 16 young leaders from year 10 travelled the short distance down the road to the impressive Bristol Grammar School Sports Facilities at Failand. Boasting netball courts, tennis courts, an all-weather water based astroturf, extensive playing fields and a state of the art 4G artificial surface the facility is the perfect venue for the Spring Games style event.



There were more than 50 local primary schools and 19 different secondary schools represented amongst the field of competitors which neared 1000 children. There were multiple sports on offer; some required qualification and others were open events. St Katherine's leaders took responsibility for the archery, cycling and girls football competitions and put their leadership skills to good use contributing to a hugely successful event.

The leaders arrived early during the morning to help set up their events before the competitors were welcomed to the opening ceremony. The group on archery set out their targets and activity stations for their event while the group on cycling roped off a challenging course for the riders to navigate. The leaders for the girls football prepared themselves for a mammoth competition with a 21 match schedule. With all of the competitors ready to go the students set about leading the younger students through their activities. Our students scored, coached, explained, demonstrated, encouraged, motivated, organised and energised the competitors all day long in the scorching sunshine and really helped to create a fantastic games atmosphere.

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Jordan COLE, Will CONROY, Leah DICKINSON, Ethan EGGLESTON, Ashya GRAY, George HAYWARD, Sharmarka MATTAN, Felix MCGOVERN, Reece PALMER, Jazzy PITHER, Niamh SCANLAN, Eli SMITH, Ruby WEBBER, Henry WELCH, Logan WEST, Sam WILLIAMS

It was also lovely to see our local primary school Crockerne at the event having qualified for the finals of two sports; tag-rugby and hockey. I was fortunate enough to be able to watch some of their performances and thoroughly enjoyed the way they competed and enjoyed themselves throughout the day. It was lovely to see so many local children all involved in such a fantastic sporting event!



Ashya testing his archery skills



Ethan and Leah checking their maths



George, Jordan and Eli watching on



Crockerne Hockey and Tag-Rugby Teams

Well done to all of the students for their various efforts throughout the day.

Mr Cook

10 LEADERS TRI-GOLF FESTIVAL

Young leaders put on multi-sports festival for 16 different local primary schools

On Wednesday 25 April, a little under a week after the glorious 20 degree sunshine out at BGS, the year 10 leaders were in action once again. This time the temperature was in single figures and with 20 mph gusts to boot it was damp and miserable – only the best leaders would be able to motivate and command attention in these conditions. Prior to the festival the group received some training from Mr Excell on behalf of the North Somerset Primary PE Association and were familiar with the activities although practiced them in the calm and pristine conditions of the sportshall!

Jordan COLE, Will CONROY, Leah DICKINSON, Ethan EGGLESTON, Ashya GRAY, Zak HARRIS, Charlie HAYWARD, Kaie LAWRENCE, Sharmarka MATTAN, Felix MCGOVERN, Reece PALMER, Corey PARKHOUSE, Jazzy PITHER, Lucie ROBERTSHAW, Niamh SCANLAN, Eli SMITH, Ruby WEBBER, Henry WELCH, Logan WEST Sam WILLIAMS

On the morning the leaders arrived and their first task was to set up their games ready for the children. Normally there is a fairly relaxed atmosphere on the morning of a festival but with lots of equipment to set up and other preparations for the festival the leaders were really forced to work under pressure. There was a busy but purposeful atmosphere in the build up to the competition as the leaders searched for final pieces of equipment and fought to squeeze their games in next to one another with the worry that the wind might cause some havoc on their mini golf courses. With minutes to spare and the final competitors arriving the festival was set up and ready to go. The group were cold, wet and tired from the first hours work and hadn't even started yet!



Eli helping to set up on the tee



Jazzy demonstrating her golf skills



Ashya getting on a level with his team

As always with primary school festivals it takes the first couple of rotations for all of the competitors, accompanying staff and leaders to know exactly what they are doing but quite quickly everything slots into place and the focus turns to getting the children active and enjoying themselves! Our leaders were excellent throughout the morning and continued to motivate and encourage the primary students as well as some of the more reluctant competitors. As the morning wore on not even the rain and the cold could dampen the spirits or energy of the leaders and competitors which made for a fantastic festival. In actual fact there had been whispers early in the morning of cutting each rotation slightly short so as to speed up the festival in the miserable conditions – in actual fact the competition ran slightly over as competitors, leaders and staff became engrossed in their activities.



Ruby watching on as her group get stuck in



Charlie busy setting up his game



Logan, Henry, Kaie and Ruby all mid game

I would like to congratulate all of our leaders for the fantastic work they did on the morning. Some were leading for the very first time whereas others have a vast amount of leadership experience under their belts. However all led by example in really testing conditions and helped to put on a fantastic morning of sporting competition for lots of local primary school children – thank you all!

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At the close the group were joined by a guest from Children's Hospice South West. In the weeks prior to the festival date, North Somerset had put on several dance shows for school children across the area to take part in including our own students. The shows had all been raising money for the charity and collectively managed to amass an amazing total of £1639.86. With so many students on site who had participated in the shows, including St Katherine's very own dancers, this was the perfect opportunity to present the cheque to the charity and a lovely way to end the competition. Congratulations to India Sydenham, Lily Morris, Maya Matthews, Isobel Taylor, Isabelle Oliver, Abbie Wring, Daisy Money, Ruby Aczel, Dean Rickards and of course to Miss Tovey for putting together and performing St Katherine's entry!



Well done to everyone involved in a fantastic morning.

Mr Cook

7 & 8 BOYS BASKETBALL V GORDANO I

Squad full of youngsters and debutants finish 6 short at final buzzer

On Wednesday 25 April a group of year 7 and 8 boys headed over to Gordano to contest the first of three contests that will be taking place over the new few weeks. The three match series is the perfect opportunity to give a lot of the boys who are training regularly the opportunity to represent the school on the basketball court as well as gain some invaluable competitive experience. In any sport there is a real difference between playing with friends or in a training session to playing a full competitive game and that is certainly the case with basketball. For this first match I was delighted to take over a 13 strong squad boasting 8 year 7 boys and 4 debutants!



Gabriel ANTOLIC-FURLONG, Shadrach BUNKETE, Ian ISAAC, Daud ISMAIL, Benjamin LUMOSO, Adil MOHAMOOD, Trysten NMAI, Jonathan PUATI-KAMBU, Toby RICE, Ariel RUGMAN, Alfie STEADMAN, Joseph WILLIAMS, Najib YUSUF

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Quarter 1 | SK 4 v 6 Gordano

It took a while for either team to trouble the scoreboard in the opening period as the possession changed hands a lot and neither team was able to work a clear cut opening to the basket. The movement of both teams eventually led to opportunities but it was then the shooting technique which gifted the defence an opportunity to rebound the ball and mount their own charge to the basket. Eventually the deadlock was broken but it was Gordano who scored first, closely following by our own Ben Lumoso who levelled the game up. It is always difficult with so many boys wanting to play and there is no choice but to take as many as possible but that does mean lots of frequent changes in the game in order to get them all some court time! The changes always lead to a loss of continuity and it took a while for the boys to get to grips with who else was on court and what they were doing. Meanwhile Gordano took out a 4 point lead which was cut to 2 just before the end of the period after debutant Daud Ismal rebounded strongly and popped the ball into the basket for his first points in an SK jersey.

Quarter 2 | SK 8 v 10 Gordano

In the second period SK managed to wrestle themselves a foothold in the game and establish some sort of offensive strategy. The older and more experienced boys took on the ball handling duties as well as more of the defensive responsibilities which allowed some of the younger and less experienced boys to find their feet on court. Gabe AF was leading by example with some great cuts, one of which was found with a great pass from Ben Lumoso. Alfie Steadman was using his speed to great effect around the court and managing to lose his marker and get open well. Trysten was perhaps the standout defensive player of the match and was already showing in the second period his strength and ability to rebound the ball at both ends – what a fantastic asset this young man is going to be on the basketball court! Adil was also very impressive with the ball in hand and looked after possession really well. The second period was dead even but very low scoring finishing at 4 points apiece; Rice and Williams splitting the scoring for SK.



Quarter 3 | SK 12 v 16 Gordano

Gordano had opened up a 4 point lead again by the end of the third period and it was becoming clearer that SK were not enjoying a great day under their offensive hoop! Their rebounding, movement, ball handling and crispness of passing was great and they worked some superb openings to the basket either driving the ball into the restricted area or passing it in but uncharacteristically they just couldn't finish! I say uncharacteristically because at the end of last term the boys notched up their best points total in a game and looked much more clinical. Najib was having an outstanding day with the ball in his hands and was easily one of, if not the best ball handler on the court. He was beating players for fun on the drive and managed to get himself in to the basket on lots of occasions but like many others just couldn't get the ball to drop. Ben Lumoso worked hard to keep the team in touch during this period by scoring 2 lay-ups from the left hand side almost identical in nature.

Quarter 4 | SK 18 v 24 Gordano

The final period of the match saw Gordano stretch their lead out to 6 points as SK grew in frustration at their points drought. Toby, Ben and Najib added points to take the total to 18 but Gordano finished with a flurry and notched up 24 to take victory. There were lots of great elements to lots of performances but nobody was able to find their finishing feet on the court which meant that ultimately we struggled for points. MVP is a tricky award and there were a few contenders; Adil Mohamood handled the ball well and played lots of clever basketball, Trysten was a rebounding machine, Toby and Najib both handled the ball superbly but Ben Lumoso has to clinch it for his points, ball handling, passing and rebounding.

I can honestly say that in recent years we have never had such a large group of keen & able young basketballers as more often than not, boys tend to gravitate towards the game higher up the school. If this group continue to work hard to learn more about the game and improve their skills then I am really looking forward to seeing what they can produce as they get older. It is brilliant to see so many boys bitten by the basketball bug!

Well done gentlemen.

Mr Cook

GIRLS ROUNDERS V GORDANO

Year 7 and 8 teams triumphant in first game of the season

Year 7: St Katherine's 17 - 15 ½ Gordano

The year 7's played their first ever game of rounders against rivals Gordano. St Kath's chose to field first and from the off they managed to work excellently as a team to ensure Gordano's scoring was limited and Bella Wake bowled brilliantly throughout. St Kath's then stepped up to bat, chasing Gordano's 9 rounders. The girls ran a bit more cautiously than Gordano but successfully collected several half rounders. Mia Melias scored a couple of full rounders with her big hits and the first innings finished Gordano 9 - St Kath's 11 ½.

Gordano were more confident in their second batting innings which kept St Kath's on their toes to begin with but with some fantastic fielding especially from Melissa Bartlett on 4th base and Poppy Baldwin-Brooks on 2nd (who managed to get 4 players out at her base and with a catch!) they were held to 15 ½ runs altogether. The pressure was on for St Kath's 2nd batting innings. With some good running and hitting particularly from Jemima German, they scored another 5 ½ rounders.

St Kath's won 17 - 15 ½, a close but well deserved win. An excellent first performance showing some great potential for the rounders season. Poppy was voted player of match.



Bella Wake, Poppy Baldwin-Brooks, Melissa Bartlett, Jemima German, Mia Melias, Charlotte Stokes, Bella Wake, Daisy Wilkinson, Helana Mills and Ellie-Mai Herbert

Year 8: St Katherine's 15 - 9 Gordano

With an abundance of players attending practice, the 15 strong squad were well practiced and ready to face local rivals Gordano. With so many players, the St Kath's side was pretty much split into 2 teams. In the first innings Chloe Weaden, Captain, opted to field first and they made an immediate impact with 4 of the Gordano batters getting stumped out on first or second post, with some great fielding work by backstop Issy Taylor, 1st post Jolie Breakwell and 2nd post Chloe. Jess Stanley bowled well and gave little away in difficult windy conditions. The deep field of Sophie Weaden, Daisy Money and Leah Porter fielded the long strikes of Gordano well, and despite a few expected errors of communication in their first game costing some half rounders, the St Kath's side was definitely the dominant side.

This continued to be the theme in their batting innings with rounders from Sophie Weaden, Jess Stanley and Ella Leakey,

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plus important half rounders from the rest of the side. The Gordano bowler found conditions difficult so half rounders were also picked up for fielding errors too. The St Kath's side won the first innings by 8 ½ rounders to 5,

In the second innings, we saw the introduction of Issy Prime on 4th post, Molly Green and Hetty Cleaver in the deep field and Issy Howie on 3rd post. This change in positions made no difference to the effective and efficient fielding of the St Kath's side. In fact Gordano found themselves losing players quickly through some excellent catches, one particularly difficult take by Issy H on 3rd and ended up batting only 17 of a possible 30 good balls. This restricted their score and when the St Kath's side went into bat, they continued to pick up a number of half rounders by some clever running between 1st and 2nd and Jess, Sophie and Jolie, picked up full rounders. The 2nd innings score was another victory to St Kath's by 6 ½ rounders to 4, giving St Katherine's the overall win. Sophie Weaden was voted as player of the match.



Year 9: St Kath's 9 - Gordano 16

Unfortunately losing the toss gave the opponents the upper hand, forcing us to bat first. Our batting was a little shaky with a number of batters finding themselves out at first or second base. Well done to Chantelle Hawkes and Lucy Turner who were beginning to make more contact with the ball, securing three ½ rounders between. Amelie Purvis started to get into her batting stride towards St Kath's first batting innings, hitting the ball deep into Gordano's field.

Knowing the strength of Gordano's batting from last season's matches, we placed our long range throwers in the deep field. Despite Freya Barnett's impressive attempts to catch Gordano's power batter out, the first innings came to a close with Gordano leading by 7 rounders.

Our second batting innings was more successful as we took our chances and Amelie and Molly hit the ball into the deep fielders. With three full rounders and six half rounders, we successfully doubled our first batting innings score.

Then came the challenge of replicating our batting success as we stepped into the field for the last time. Haven shaken off the cobwebs, we mirrored the success of our batting and kept Gordano at a draw for the second half, with a great catch by Lucy Turner and accurate fielding by Amelie and Chantelle.

Congratulations to Chantelle Hawkes to receiving Gordano's player of the match!

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Year 10: St Katherine's 5 - 13 Gordano

Struggling for numbers the Year 10 team found themselves with excess numbers going into the fixture against Gordano. With Priscilla Lumoso bowling and Ruby Webber playing backstop it seemed that Gordano couldn't miss any balls with the chance of being stumped out at 1st looming. It was Izzy Fielden who stepped up her game and limited a number of half rounders being scored at 2nd and some excellent deep fielding by Lucie Robertshaw and Grace Brown. Josie Maskell and Emily Drohan worked well in the field alongside Grace Molton.

When batting, the Gordano fielders limited a number of potential chances to pick up easy halves, but Priscilla Lumoso and Ellie McIntyre managed to score a number of rounders to keep the score respectable.



U15 BOYS CRICKET V HAYGROVE

Boys get outdoor season underway with below par performance

On Thursday 26 April the U15 boys played host to Haygrove School from Bridgewater. With the first round of the Somerset T20 cup looming a friendly game against strong opposition was exactly what was needed and Haygrove are certainly that! Last year we faced Haygrove in the finals of the U15 Somerset SCB competition which could easily have gone either way so it was always going to be a tough game. For most of the boys out there this was their first chance to play any outdoor cricket so some serious cobweb blowing was in order!



Will CONROY, Henil DESAI, George HARDWELL, Kaie LAWRENCE, Alfie RENDELL, Toby RICE, Eli SMITH, Joshua SONGER, Logan WEST, Alexander WILSON

Things were made slightly trickier in the build up to the game when unfortunately Ethan Eggleston was unwell which meant the boys had 10. Ethan is a great cricketer but also a great thinker so his presence was certainly missed. Captain Will Conroy shouldered all of the leadership responsibility during the afternoon and did so superbly getting things off to a perfect start by winning the toss and electing to have a bat.

It may seem cruel to say but winning the toss was almost as good as it got for the boys except for one or two decent performances with bat and with ball. Early wickets in any form of cricket are not the ideal start but when so many fall in such a short space of time it can put real pressure on the middle order. After just 3 overs the boys found themselves 13 - 4 with Smith, Wilson, Conroy and Hardwell all done with the bat for the afternoon. The bowling was consistent and accurate but the boys must have felt that they had somewhat given their wickets away a little cheaply. It looked as though Kaie Lawrence and Toby Rice might form a bit of a partnership for a while as both boys stuck around to have a good look at the bowling. Kaie in particular was scoring freely and Toby had clearly just decided that he wasn't going to add his name to the list of early casualties! Both boys top scored although neither added as many as they would have liked to the scorecard. When Kaie was caught out for 13, Toby stayed to watch 2 more batting partners bite the dust before deciding to take it on himself in search of runs which led to his dismissal. At the close to a fairly disastrous batting performance the boys all knew that they could bat better and that they didn't have any sort of total to play with but were given the message to take to the field as though they were defending a low total and to go out with bags of energy and try to take as much from the bowling opportunity that they had. After only managing to bat for just over half of their innings I know there were a few boys determined to leave their mark on the game having posted a meagre 40.

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It was always going to be tricky to give as many boys a bowl as captain Conroy would have liked but he changed things around well and made the most of the limited time that he had available to him. Toby Rice was pretty much on the money for his 2 overs and had it not been for one delivery would have finished with figures of 3 for none. Eli Smith was responsible for both wickets and both came about in his second over. The first was full and straight which cleaned out the Haygrove batsman and the other gifted Toby Rice standing a slip a tricky catching opportunity which he grabbed well. Kaie Lawrence was tight for his over conceding just 3 runs but there wasn't a single bowler out there who was going to be able to stop Haygrove reaching the SK total.

It wasn't quite the closely fought competitive game that the St Kath's boys were hoping for in preparation for the cup game but it was a fantastic opportunity for a lot of the boys to bat and bowl outdoors for the first time in the season. I know that this group of boys can all play better cricket and am looking forward to seeing their response next week when we host Churchill in the cup. Let's keep our fingers crossed for some cricket weather!

Well done to the boys who fought hard and didn't give up in a difficult game!

Mr Cook

Batting (batting first)		
Batsman		Runs
E Smith	Caught	1
A Wilson	Caught	7
K Lawrence	Caught	13
W Conroy	Bowled	0
G Hardwell	Bowled	1
T Rice	Bowled	9
J Songer	Run Out	0
A Rendell	Caught	2
L West	Not Out	0
H Desai	Caught	0

Bowling				
Bowler	O	R	W	Econ.
A Wilson	1	8	0	8.00
T Rice	2	7	0	3.50
E Smith	2	7	2	3.50
K Lawrence	1	3	0	3.00
L West	1	15	0	7.50

Extras	2
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Extras	7
Total (10.5 overs)	40 – all out

Haygrove Batting Total (batting second)	
Total (7.3 overs)	43 - 2

U15 BOYS CRICKET V CHURCHILL

Contest goes to right to the wire as boys fall short by 5 agonising runs!

On Tuesday 1 May the U15 boys hosted Churchill for the first round of the Somerset T20 knockout cup. The boys were determined to bounce back from their disappointing performance in the previous week and really looking to get back on track. They knew they were in for a tough test against Churchill but didn't quite realise how close the game was going to be as they took to the field have lost the toss. It turned out to be a fantastic showcase for state school cricket with boys on both teams finding bags of high quality cricket.

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Will CONROY, Henil DESAI, Louie DUN, Ethan EGGLESTON, George HARDWELL, Kaie LAWRENCE, Alfie RENDELL, Eli SMITH, Joshua SONGER, Logan WEST, Alexander WILSON

Churchill won the toss and elected to bat first so SK took to the field hoping for a much improved bowling and fielding performance from the previous week. The weather was almost identical and as far from cricketing weather as possible with it being very overcast, wet, miserable and cold. The SK boys were determined to not let the weather and previous performance dampen their spirits but when the opening pair for Churchill moved away nicely in the first 2 overs you sensed things might not go in their favour. However it was Alex Wilson who picked up a wicket in his second over after a difficult high ball was caught superbly by Josh Songer. This buoyed SK and they really got behind each other and encouraged the bowler and fielders with plenty of energy and enthusiasm.

The atmosphere was really positive and all of the boys who came on to bowl benefited from the support of their team mates. Eli's first over was more expensive than he would have liked but Eli came back really strongly towards the end of the innings when runs were important and bowled a really tight spell conceding just 10 runs from his last 2. Kaie Lawrence proved tricky to get away as per usual with his right arm darts and variations conceding no more than a single run a ball aside from 1 delivery which went for 2! Kaie also bowled towards the back end of the Churchill innings when their established pair at the crease were looking to motor on. The pick of the bowlers was Alex in terms of economy but also wickets. Despite the vastly improved performance with the ball in hand, Churchill batted superbly and built two excellent partnerships which put them in a very strong position with 133 on the board from their 18 overs. They were pleased with their score but with the wickets they had left, they thought that perhaps they could have played a little more expansively.



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In any form of limited overs cricket the pressure is on when the opposition have decent runs on the board and the cause for the St Kath's run chase wasn't helped any when they found themselves 4-2 off of the first two overs! The opening bowlers for Churchill were really contrasting; one lad hit the pitch hard with a big, tall and strong action while the other lad was a skiddy, quick left armer with pinpoint accuracy. SK really found it difficult to get those boys away for any big runs so just decided to try to see them off which eventually worked. The rest of the bowling for Churchill was also really consistent and it became pretty clear that there were going to be no easy runs from their bowling attack. St Kath's were in desperate need of someone to come in and make quick runs to give their run chase a kick start and some momentum. Alex Wilson came to the crease with the team two wickets down needing 130 more runs from 16 overs at a rate of more than 8 an over. What came next was one of the best school boy clean-striking batting displays I have ever seen! Anyone who knows Alex knows that he is a phenomenal ball striker but this particular batting performance was something else. Alex took a couple of deliveries to see himself in and then lit the fuse which triggered a never ending series of explosions leaving a scene of devastated bowlers and fielders who could do little more than just watch as Alex cleared the boundary rope of the full 5 times and on 11 different occasions having bounced. As well as his 74 runs in boundaries, Alex also ran 9 between the sticks taking him on to a mighty impressive 83. There was no chance that he was going to stop striking the ball but eventually he was caught out right on the fence down at long-off. Alex's 83 was an unbelievable batting performance that you watched in amazement. Mr Thomas was watching at the time and must have turned to me and said '1 more over and I must go' about 5 or 6 times and you couldn't blame him!



Alex had batted the boys into a position where they could and arguably should have won the game. There were 4 overs left and SK needed just 21 runs for victory. Ethan and Josh both batted really well for their runs and kept the chase on but unfortunately weren't at the crease at the same time so couldn't establish a partnership. It was a partnership that was proving the problem as boys came and exited too quickly – more than likely having gotten carried away having watched Alex bat earlier! Churchill had been forced to bring back on of their openers earlier than planned and bowled him out trying to take Alex's wicket but the boys knew they still had 1 over from Churchill's left armer to face. He took the final over with SK needing 6 for victory. The young lad from Churchill stepped up and delivered the goods in a fantastic final over that saw him serve up wicket, dot, wicket, 1, wicket for his team to take victory.

Despite being naturally disappointed at having lost such a close cup tie, there were loads of positives to take from the performance. The positivity and atmosphere was the main improvement as it really felt like boys were enjoying playing and supporting one another. Funny then that the bowling, batting and fielding should improve too! Congratulations to Churchill for their victory – they gave the better all-round team performance on the day and deserved to progress to the next round. The game was a thoroughly enjoyable watch and a fantastic advert for state school hard ball cricket! Special mention to Alex for his man of the match performance and unforgettable batting display!

Hard luck gentlemen – plenty more cricket to come!

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Batting (batting second)		
Batsman		Runs
K Lawrence	Caught	4
G Hardwell	Run out	0
W Conroy	Caught	13
A Wilson	Caught	83
E Eggleston	Caught	7
A Rendell	Bowled	0
J Songer	Run out	11
E Smith	Bowled	0
L West	Not out	0
L Dun	Bowled	1

Bowling				
Bowler	O	R	W	Econ.
A Wilson	4	16	2	4.00
E Eggleston	3	27	0	9.00
E Smith	3	18	0	6.00
W Conroy	3	27	0	9.00
K Lawrence	2	11	0	5.50
L Dun	2	17	0	8.50
A Rendell	1	8	0	8.00

Extras	9
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Extras	10
Total (18 overs)	129 – all out

Churchill Batting Total (batting first)	
Total (18 overs)	133 - 2

7 & 8 BOYS BASKETBALL V GORDANO II

Youngsters hit 30 points and put together some brilliant basketball

On Wednesday 2 May the U13 boys travelled to Gordano for the second instalment in their 3 match series and were trailing by 1 having lost their first game narrowly. Before the game I spoke briefly to the boys about basketball statistics and told them that I would keep close tabs on their performances for this game just so that they could see the areas of the game they contributed well to. I also set boys some performance targets with the hope that just maybe it might spur them on to give that extra little bit of effort that might make all the difference!



Gabriel ANTOLIC-FURLONG, Shadrach BUNKETE, Ian ISAAC, Daud ISMAIL, Benjamin LUMOSO, Adil MOHAMOOD, Trysten NMAI, Jonathan PUATI -KAMBU, Toby RICE, Ariel RUGMAN, Alfie STEADMAN, Najib YUSUF

Quarter 1 | SK 12 v 4 Gordano, Quarter 2 | SK 16 v 6 Gordano, Quarter 3 | SK 18 v 12 Gordano, Quarter 4 | SK 30 v 16 Gordano

All of the boys on court worked really hard to affect the game in whatever way they could and it was brilliant to watch them so determined to get marks in the columns below. Normally when you take students off of the court they are disappointed but this lot were almost running to the sides to see their stats as well as shouting them out at me from on court while they were playing! When they were on the side they really enjoyed watching their team mates doing their bit to get on the stats board.

In the space of just one week some of the younger boys were showing signs of real improvement and a much better understanding of the game. Alfie Steadman in particular stood out this week and was around the ball far more often than in his first game and managing to affect a steal! Ari Rugman was also taking more of a lead on court and demonstrated to the less experienced boys what a good quality cut to the basket looks like on a number of occasions! Other boys that stood out were Shadrach for sheer number of steals – I lost count of the number of times that Shadrach dived on a loose ball to secure possession for the team and even more impressively managed two notches in the assist column. I also said last week that Trysten was a rebounding machine but this week I had the numbers to back it up and boy was he making a nuisance of himself under the basket at both ends. The shooters out on the perimeter were loving his offensive rebounds and the Gordano players were growing increasingly frustrated at his defensive rebounding too! Although a couple of boys get a mention here, it was a real team performance and as you can see – everyone made a contribution!

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Special mentions should go to Najib, Ben and Toby for their performances because each of these boys had a significant impact on the game and also played a huge part in supporting their team mates to do the same. I set Najib a target of double points before we started and he wasn't too far away at all managing 8 in total. Najib handled the ball superbly yet again and was much more accurate with his shooting compared with last week. Najib also has a natural instinct to work off of the glass after following his own shot and nearly all of his rebounds came from his own shots.

The standard of Ben Lumoso's basketball has gone through the roof this year. Last year Ben was tall, athletic and a talented all-round sportsman but his technical skills and understanding of the game weren't as great. This year Ben has had a significant impact in all of the games he has played in and is such a versatile player. He can handle the ball, bring others into the game (in fact he was the best passer of the ball in this game), shoot and is a real pest on the court seemingly able to get his hands on the ball wherever it is.

MVP had to go to Toby Rice for his contribution across all areas of the game. Toby scored almost half of the points, brought countless players in to the game and was unlucky not to have more assists, stole the ball, rebounded the ball and even managed to block a shot on one occasion! If Toby can get on the drive to the basket he's deadly accurate but if he can't he's not bad when he pulls up for a jump shot either which essentially means he is a real threat from anywhere around the restricted area. Coupled with his skills on court, Toby is also a fantastic young leader and one who sets a brilliant example in terms of organisation, approach, attitude and performance!

Well done to all boys – especially those on court for the purple patch at start of the fourth period where SK added 12 points in around 2 minutes of pretty sublime basketball.

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Player	Points	Assists	Steals	Rebounds	Blocks
B Lumoso	6	0	8	2	2
T Rice	14	1	2	6	1
D Ismail	0	1	1	1	0
N Yusuf	8	1	3	4	1
T Nmai	0	0	1	6	0
I Isaac	0	0	1	1	0
A Mohamood	2	1	1	0	0
J Puati-Kambu	2	0	3	0	0
S Bunkete	2	2	6	2	0
A Rugman	0	0	0	1	0
G Antolic-Furlong	0	1	3	2	0
A Steadman	0	1	1	0	0

U13 BOYS CRICKET C2C ROUND 1

Boys enjoy first round in friendly softball competition ... eventually!

On Thursday 3 May the U13 boys set off for Hugh Sexey's School for the first round of the new outdoor softball cricket competition. Little did they know when they set out that they would be on the bus for almost 2½ hours rather than the 40 minute journey it should have been! In fairness to the 8 on the bus, they were brilliant and didn't moan one bit but when we eventually arrived it turned out we weren't the only school that was late but we were the only school that was more than an hour late! In fact we were so late that the majority of the competition had happened without us and when we arrived we only needed to play 1 game against the host school. There were just two schools left in the first round and two places in the next round of the friendly competition so the boys were guaranteed more cricket!

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In fairness to them, they had spent the best part of the afternoon on the minibus and so turning up to rifle through a quick 7 over game was always going to be a tough ask. It wasn't much of a surprise that they wound up on the losing end of their one and only game for the afternoon but there were still lots of boys who played some great cricket in patches! Seth Cook took the ball to bowl his over having had not much time at all to practice this year and did really well. He said to me afterwards that he thought he had bowled far better than he expected to and I wasn't surprised given that he'd spent all afternoon travelling along with the others! Ari Rugman batted really well for his 10 runs and played some well-timed shots into the leg side. He dug in and hung around when others couldn't and looked in good nick considering it was the very start of the season. Charley Songer looked really sharp in the field taking one catch to remove an established batsman and hurling the ball in to run out another!

Well done to everyone for not moaning and just getting on with it! In actual fact, considering the circumstances and the fact that this was almost the first taste of competitive cricket for the majority of the boys this year, they did pretty well indeed. Without a doubt my favourite part of the afternoon was that 5 of the 8 boys that played were all dashing off to play a club game for Lodway in the evening! Huge thanks to the special taxi service that was put on for the boys so that they could all play in both school and club games. I won't embarrass anyone by mentioning names but I really appreciate the commitment and support that allowed boys to enjoy a whole afternoon of cricket ... eventually!

Mr Brace and Mr Cook

12 BOYS BASKETBALL V NS STARS

Senior boys put in a shift, running a game with 5 to finish within 8

On Sunday 6 May there was absolutely no chance that the year 12 boys were going to be able to enjoy a nice easy run out on the basketball court as unfortunately only 5 boys were able to play! Not wanting to call the game, the 5 boys took on the challenge of competing against the Stars for the entire 40 minutes without leaving the court. If I have learnt anything about this group of boys over the years, it's that they are fierce competitors and when they say they'll do something, they mean it!



Danny CONWAY, Ciaran DUNFORD-HENNESSY (back by popular demand for one morning only), Tom GREEN, Jacob KINSELLA-FRESHWATER, Lewis MASON, Mason SMART (moral support – injured)

Quarter 1 | SK 8 v 7 NS Stars

Before stepping out on to the court I made sure to tell the boys that they were a long way from home and that if anyone started to struggle, there wasn't much in the way of replacements! I thought to myself ... 'this is a bright bunch of boys, I'm sure they'll pace themselves'. Unfortunately for them but fortunately for the scoreboard, the home side started in their typical fashion with bags of energy and loads of really good hustle for the ball. As always the boys rebounded well on both boards with every single one of the five managing to get at least 1 rebound to their name. Danny and Ciaran each managed steals but unfortunately for Lewis his 'almost steal' cost him 3 points. Lewis found himself in a tussle with a Stars player for the ball and just milliseconds before wrestling it free and putting up a three point effort the referee blew to call a held ball. You can imagine Lewis' frustration when he watched his 3 point effort drop clinically into the basket knowing all the way that it wouldn't count. Danny (2), Ciaran (4) and Jacob (2) added the rest of the points in the first period as the boys managed to come in at quarter time a single point ahead.

Quarter 2 | SK 18 v 23 NS Stars

The Stars came out firing in the second period and wasted absolutely no time in turning over the miniscule lead that SK had held at the break. The Stars started to work the floor well pulling the SK defenders around which was starting to take its toll. At quarter time we spoke about the importance of establishing possession and making sure that you only take a shooting opportunity for you if there is a good chance of scoring and your team mates aren't going to be frustrated that you have turned the ball over if it's not rebounded. It was pleasing to see then Tom and Jacob both add points to the total in the second period some of which came from some really neat work inside the restricted area. Tom went on a good

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quality cut to the basket on one occasion and was found with a neat pass while Jacob got open in at the mid-post and found his shooting sights after some smart footwork. The defensive hustle was still on as well, demonstrated no better than by Tom who affected a steal on the halfway line before running in the unopposed lay-up to take his tally to 4 for the period. Jacob (6) and Ciaran (2) continued the scoring while Lewis and Danny looked after the rebounds when the Stars missed any of their shooting attempts.



Quarter 3 | SK 28 v 29 NS Stars

The Stars had moved out to a 5 point lead at half time and with legs starting to go from underneath them, the SK boys made the call to play zonal defence to try to conserve some energy for the end of the game. Danny and Jacob both notched up 2 point efforts early in the third period to bring the game closer but the Stars weren't showing any signs of slowing up – in fact the complete opposite! The boys were starting to look tired on court, fatigue was really setting in and the boys were in need of something special. Up stepped Ciaran Dunford-Hennessy who, not for the first time, delivered a 2 minute spell of magic consisting of 6 points, a steal, a block and 4 rebounds – the boys was on fire and it seemed as though all his team mates had to do was to get the ball to him. With absolute grit and determination, the boys clawed their way back to within a point of the lead at 3 quarter time.

Quarter 4 | SK 35 v 43 NS Stars

The final period was a really tough ask for the SK boys and the Stars knew it – they really started to up their tempo and were making the boys pay for every single sloppy mistake they made on court. The boys weren't without opportunities of their own. Jacob Kinsella drove to the basket and drew contact on 3 separate occasions, Danny and Tom both converted 2 point plays and Lewis really kept one of the Stars main attacking threats quiet during the final period of the game which must have been difficult considering his opponent was fresh from a spell on the bench. Not even a little more Dunford-Hennessy magic with a 3 point effort off of an inbound pass could sway the balance and the boys were forced to settle for an extremely respectable defeat by a margin of 8.

It is always an enjoyable experience to work with this group of gentlemen on sporting fixtures but this morning was even more enjoyable because there is nothing better than watching a team really grit their teeth and compete when the going is tough and towards the end of the game they must have been struggling! MVP has to go to Ciaran Dunford-Hennessy – what a way to mark your return to the basketball court; I'm really grateful for you coming back to help the boys out and I imagine they were pretty grateful too! Special thanks also to Mason Smart for moral support from the sidelines!

Well done gents – enjoy your bank holiday Monday!

Mr Cook

Player
T Green
D Conway
C Dunford-Hennessy
J Kinsella-Freshwater
L Mason

Points	Assists	Steals	Rebounds	Blocks
6	0	1	4	0
6	1	2	6	0
13	3	3	10	2
10	0	1	3	0
0	2	2	7	0

U13 BOYS CRICKET V BEECHEN CLIFF

Boys enjoy afternoon of cricket on the top of the hill at Beechen

On Tuesday 8 May the U13 boys travelled to Bath to face Beechen Cliff in the first round of the Somerset T20 cup competition. Having faced Beechen earlier in the year at the indoor competition, they knew they were in for a tough challenge but were really relishing the opportunity. Facilities at Beechen are excellent and it was lovely to get out on a proper grass wicket in such beautiful surroundings. To make the experience even better on our arrival Mr Walker, the teacher with Beechen Cliff, introduced me to a scoring app on his iPad that was capable of providing more information about a cricket match that anyone could possibly want. Naturally this appealed to my interest immediately and it took me all of about 5 minutes after returning to school to purchase it myself. I have included some of the statistics that the app is capable of producing at the end of this report – special thanks to Mr Walker for sending them through for me!



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After the toss it was Beechen who padded up first and headed out to the middle to set the total. Unbeknownst to us, the previous week Beechen had suffered a cup defeat with what they told us was a disappointing batting performance and were really looking to set the record straight as soon as possible. Unfortunately that meant that our boys were on the end of a fairly severe backlash. Beechen had real strength in depth in their batting line up and such was the quality of their performance that it wasn't until the end of the 12th over that SK took their only wicket. Toby Rice led from the front and managed to dismiss their well-established left handed opener with an excellent delivery that pitched on leg and moved back in to the left hander to trap him in front. Toby's appeal was so loud and confident that the rest of the boys quickly joined in. Toby was economical with the ball but there were also impressive bowling performances from Mac Marshall, Ari Rugman and Charley Songer. Mac was quick and skiddy and was really tricky to manoeuvre away when he was on the money. Ari was really clever with his variation and the speed at which he delivered the ball really confused the batsmen on several occasions. Charley was more often than not on the money and was unlucky not to have himself a wicket when one of his deliveries somehow shot under the bat yet went over the top of the stumps. After 20 overs Beechen had set an extremely impressive 204 target.

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BOWLER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	O	M	R	W	WD	NB	ECON
T. Rice	R 9	2	4	9												4		29	1		5	7.25
J. Thoburn	R 10	9														2		21		2		10.50
M. Marshall	R 2	9	14													3		28		2	1	9.33
J. Williams	R 9	9														2		20		1	1	10.00
A. Rugman	R 2	5	10	19												4		39		2	1	9.75
C. Songer	R 8	7														2		18		2	1	9.00
W. Stratton	R 11															1		12				12.00
S. Cook	R 14															1		17		2	1	17.00
B. Lumoso	R 10															1		10				10.00

I think it was fair to say that at the midway point, SK weren't confident about their chances of chasing down 204. I did tell the boys that they were all missing the point and that they should instead concentrate on the opportunity of going out to bat against what was likely to be a strong bowling attack and try to make as many runs as they could. As easy as it is to say that, it is much harder to go out and do it and you can see from the scorecard below that the vast majority of the boys found it tricky to hang around – that said there were some notable achievements and things that the boys should be really proud of.

Firstly, they batted out their 20 overs which was impressive given the strength of the Beechen bowling attack. It wasn't as though they eased off in their efforts to dismiss the SK batsmen and the boys who were at the strikers end had to work hard to survive. Survival was the name of the game and two boys managed to hang around better than others. Charley Songer stuck around to face 14 balls and was still 1 not out at the end of the innings. Ben Lumoso faced 22 deliveries and made 8 runs in a partnership of 35 with captain Toby Rice. Toby should be really grateful to all of the boys who stuck around but especially to Charley and Ben for their support in helping him achieve his first 50!

BATSMAN	RUNS	HOW OUT	R	B	M	0s	1s	2s	3s	4s	5s	6s	SS	SR
1 R. Williams	..W	b N. Burn	0	3	0	3								0.0
2 M. Marshall	W	c S. Hodgson b E. Steady	0	1	0	1								0.0
3 T. Rice	..1..1..1..114.41...4..1...11.1..4...5.11 ...11.4.44	not out	53	66	64	43	13		10				35%	80.3
4 M. Williams	W	b E. Steady	0	1	0	1								0.0
5 B. Lumoso	1..1...1.....4.W	b D. Tellworthy	8	22	21	17	4		1				23%	36.4
6 A. Rugman	..W	lbw b J. Gleghorn	0	3	1	3								0.0
7 J. Williams	..W	st S. Hodgson b D. Tellworthy	0	3	2	3								0.0
8 J. Thoburn	W	b D. Tellworthy	0	1	0	1								0.0
9 W. Stratton	.....W	b D. Tellworthy	0	7	6	7								0.0
10 C. Songer	.....1.....	not out	1	14	15	13	1						7%	7.1
11 S. Cook														



As the most experienced cricketer in the group there is always a lot of pressure on Toby to perform in school games, especially when the standard of competition is high as his team mates look to him to set the example. Toby did that brilliantly in this game and as things panned out he went on to enjoy his most successful batting innings to date. With just



a single ball remaining in the innings Toby was 49 not out. Beechen bought the field in as all good cricketing sides would – it would have been an insult to simply let Toby score 50. Toby looked and Charley at the non-strikers end and hold him to run whatever happened but he needn't have worried as he clipped a full delivery off his legs and into the on side to run away for a boundary four. Toby was absolutely delighted and so he should have been – a really gutsy performance and his first ever 50!

Well done to all of the boys for a valiant effort against very strong opposition. There is still plenty more cricket to come this year and I am really looking forward to seeing the progress that the boys make over the course of the season.

Well done all.

Mr Cook

7 & 8 BOYS BASKETBALL V GORDANO III

Boys getting better week on week with new top score of 42

On Wednesday 9 May the U13 boys travelled to Gordano for the final contest in their three match spring / summer series. More importantly than results, these three matches were an ideal opportunity to get some of our youngest boys court time and build their competitive experience. In just the space of a few weeks the boys have made huge improvements and are really starting to establish the basics of good basketball into all of their performances. Now that boys have enough knowledge and the skills to master the basics, they need to start looking at some of the more detailed aspects of the game and this started in this performance.



Gabriel ANTOLIC-FURLONG, Shadrach BUNKETE, Kanye CHRISTIE, Daud ISMAIL, Benjamin LUMOSO, Adil MOHAMOOD, Trysten NMAI, Toby RICE, Ariel RUGMAN, Joseph WILLIAMS, Najib YUSUF

In one of the most dominant first quarter displays they have managed, SK posted 18 points without reply with Toby (12), Najib (4) and Kanye (2) doing the scoring. The boys were stealing the ball all over the court and really dominant off of the glass too. In total there were 16 steals and 16 rebounds in the first period as SK enjoyed all of the play and all of the luck.



Ben Lumoso notched up 7 steals and seemed to get his hands on almost every single loose ball. Najib, Trysten and Toby rebounded furiously at the offensive end to make the most of their point scoring opportunities. With a clear lead established – it was time to give the SK boys something else to think about.

At quarter time we spoke about running a really basic motion offence and putting some pattern into their play. I explained about which spots on the court players should fill and which actions they should take depending on what the ball handler does and sent them out on to the court to put it into action. Immediately you could sense frustration amongst the group as what they considered to be a dominant performance was almost completely halted as they struggled to implement the offence. Passes were thrown awry; the boys uncharacteristically turned the ball over and the point scoring ground to a halt too. During this period in the game I was looking for boys who were determined to persevere with the instructions and not revert to type. Unsurprisingly it was the older boys who led the way and you would expect that to be the case because they have more experience – Toby, Ari, Ben, Joe and Shadrach were all working hard to set up and run the offence as instructed and Ari in particular set the standard for a good quality basket cut. Pleasingly there were also some of the younger boys who were doing their best to watch, learn and implement during the game. Daud was right at the heart of one of the best passages of play in the second period as he raced round to fill an empty spot before receiving his pass, threatening the basket and then offloading the ball only to cut to the rim himself. Gabe AF was also in his element able to take advantage of his natural movement towards the basket. Despite their efforts the boys added 8 points to their tally, all of which came about from reverting to type!

For the remainder of the game the boys on court found themselves in a wrestling match between their bad habits and their willingness to try to implement a new offensive strategy. It was a real tussle and you could see the players on court really thinking hard about what they should be doing versus their auto-pilot instincts doing the things that they have always done. Forming new habits is one of the most difficult things to do but in order to improve, certain things have to become second nature. The challenge for this group of boys as they continue to improve their basketball is building more of these good habits so that they can improve their overall performance.

As much as the frustration grew during the rest of the game, this should not detract from what was a really impressive point scoring display. Had I not restricted the boys offensive actions I am sure they should have scored more than the 42 points that they did. I am really enjoying working with this group of youngsters and am looking forward to watching them learn more about the game before the end of the year.

Keep coming to practice boys – the more you play, the better you'll get.

Mr Day and Mr Cook

GIRLS ROUNDERS V NAILSEA

Mixed bag of results for girls in their second fixture of season

Year 7: St Kath's 13 - Nailsea 17 ½

St Kath's chose to field first for their second rounders match against Nailsea. With some strong batters and some good running from the opposition, St Kath's definitely felt the pressure. Although Bella Wake bowled excellently with some good stops from Charlotte Stokes and Ellie-Mai Herbert, a few silly mistakes in the field meant that Nailsea were able to score several rounders giving them a strong lead. St Kath's were a bit more cautious with their running when it was their turn to bat, but some good hitting from Mia Melias and Melissa Bartlett gave them a good start to catch Nailsea, the first innings ended Nailsea 12 to St Kath's 4 ½.

The second innings was much closer, with St Kath's playing a much stronger fielding game. They were much quicker in getting the ball in to the bases and were able to quickly get several batters out. Jemima German and Daisy Wilkinson worked tirelessly in deep field showing some great throwing skills in to the safe hands of Megan Hart-Jones, Effie Lomax and Scarlett Newby. St Kath's successfully managed to get the whole team out before bowling 30 good balls. They then stepped up their game for their second chance to bat, with some good hits and tactical running especially by Poppy Baldwin-Brooks and Daisy Medder, they managed to get another 8 ½ runs to bring their total to 13. Although a strong come back in the second innings, it wasn't quite enough for St Kath's to take the lead.

The game finished Nailsea 17 ½ v St Kath's 13 with Mia being voted player of the match.

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Year 8: St Kath's 19 - 8 Nailsea

Another convincing performance from the St Kath's Year 8 side led to their second victory and maintains their 100% record this season. Winning the toss, the girls opted to field first and stunned the Nailsea side in their first 9 balls by catching 4 of them out and stumping a further 2. Impressive catches by Maya Matthews, Leah Porter and Issy Howie, and great instinctive fielding by Ella Leakey on 1st, Issy Prime on 4th and Chloe Weaden limited the number of balls the Nailsea side faced in the first innings from 30 to just 13.

In their first inning batting, the girls immediately began to pick up rounders, despite Chloe Weaden being stumped out early. Rounders and halves were picked up by all the team, with Leah Porter picking up an impressive 3 rounders and Daisy Money running well between the posts. Great team spirit and tactical play led to a 7 ½ rounder lead into the 2nd innings.

Nailsea were a little more composed in their second innings, however the fielding of St Kath's was even tighter, with Sophie Weaden in the deep letting nothing past her, and Jolie Breakwell and Isobel Taylor making an excellent partnership on backstop and 1st post, stumping at least 5 of the Nailsea side out. Facing more balls Nailsea managed to score 5 rounders in this innings, however with a batting innings still left to come for St Kath's, they still trailed the St Kath's score.

In the final innings, the St Kath's side faced much more effective fielding, with the 2nd post from Nailsea playing particularly well, however they still managed to pick up 8 rounders through Sophie Weaden with a couple, Chloe Weaden, Molly Green and Hetty Cleaver.



Year 9 and Year 10 St Kath's v Year 10 Nailsea

Due to Nailsea School not being able to field a Year 9 Rounders Team and ensuring St Kath's Year 9 and Year 10 teams had an opportunity to play a fixture, both teams played one innings against the away team.

Our Year 10 team stepped up to field first, with Beth Edwards (Year 9) completing the side. It was clear from the off that Nailsea's strength came from their batting ability; hitting the ball deep into the field and on a few occasions onto the next rounders pitch. However, this didn't dampen the team's spirit and Stella Crocker stole to show with her exceptional fielding skills, in particular her accuracy of her long distant throws. It wasn't one of our team's strongest batting performance, with Nailsea's bat-stop- 1st base combination being sleek and therefore getting a handful of our batters out before reaching first base.

In the second innings, our Year 9s stepped up to challenge an experienced and well drilled Year 10 Nailsea side. Once again, the away team demonstrating their batting strength and replicating the success of their first batting innings. When our Year 9 side took to the bats, they had nothing to lose, playing against an away team with an academic year's more experience. Once again, our team showed resilience and determination, taking every opportunity to score, although at

times the risk didn't pay off.

Overall, the game was played in good spirits, with the score line not reflecting the excellent fielding skills that both St Kath's team demonstrate whilst being put under pressure from a competent Nailsea batting team.

Congratulations to Ellie McIntyre and Chantelle Hawkes for receiving Nailsea's player of the match.



NS ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

11 personal bests and 6 new school records set at NS athletics meet!

On Tuesday 15 May a group of St Katherine's students from across years 8 to 10 travelled to the Yate Outdoor Athletics Complex to compete in their respective events at the North Somerset Championships. The standard of competition is always really high and although St Katherine's didn't enter full teams into each competition, we made sure that any individual athletes who wanted to compete were given the opportunity to do so. There were some unbelievable performances from a group of fantastic athletes who all raised their level to compete.

Ruby ACZEL, Max ANDREWS, Tyrese BRACEY, Tom EVANS, Ashya GRAY, Finley KING, Megan LARKIN, Hugh LEWIS, Benjamin LUMOSO, Charlton MILLIGAN, Jazper PEACEY, Leah PORTER, Toby RICE, Mursal SHARIF, Isobel TAYLOR, Chloe WEADEN, Sophie WEADEN, Henry WELCH

See below the events that each student competed in with purple denoting a PB and yellow a new school record.

Event	Y8 Boys	Y8 Girls	Y9 Boys	Y10 Boys
100		Ruby Aczel	Tyrese Bracey	
200		Sophie Weaden	Max Andrews	
300 / 400			Charlton Milligan	
800	Hugh Lewis	Megan Larkin	Mursal Sharif	
1500		Leah Porter	Jazper Peacey	
4 x 100 relay		Sophie Weaden Ruby Aczel Jolie Breakwell Isobel Taylor	Tyrese Bracey Max Andrews Charlton Milligan Tom Evans	
High Jump			Finley King	
Long Jump	Ben Lumoso	Megan Larkin	Tom Evans	Ashya Gray
Triple Jump	Ben Lumoso		Charlton Milligan	
Shot		Chloe Weaden		Henry Welch
Javelin	Toby Rice	Isobel Taylor		
Discus		Leah Porter		

We are really proud of all of the students who competed at the Championships but there were some unbelievable performances from students who managed some fantastic achievements which are absolutely deserving of a special mention!

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New School Records

Leah Porter set a new school record in her 1500m run with a brilliant time of 6.09 beating Antonia Khalif's (2017 leaver) previous record of 6.33. Leah is a phenomenally talented athlete who now holds records for the discus and the 1500m. At the same meet Leah also threw a seasons best of 15.44 in the discus but finished just outside the medals.

The year 8 girls relay team consisting of Sophie Weaden, Ruby Aczel, Jolie Breakwell, Isobel Taylor also broke the school record for the 4 x 100m relay crossing the line in 63.70 seconds beating Mercury's Y9 girls quarter from 2017 (Tara Harvey, Sophie Porch, Mai Griffin and Becky Bleaken) who's previous record stood at 64 seconds flat.

Jazper Peacey enjoyed a fantastic meet and after his performance in the 1500m now finds himself holding the school record and best in school. Jazper's time of 5.03 beat Paul Rickards previous best in school of 5.24 and Jude Noon's (2017 leaver) old school record of 5.12 – a fantastic run which placed him in gold medal position!

Max Andrews could arguably take the title for best achievement of the afternoon after his run in the 200m broke a school year which has stood for 4 years and a best in school time from Ashya Gray. Max clocked in at 26.05 beating Ashya's time of 26.57 and Matt Cole's (2014 leaver) previous school record of 26.30. As good as the run was Max was up against some quick competition and finished just outside of the medals.

Charlton Milligan is now holder of the school record and best in school with his 300m time of 43 seconds flat which comfortably beat Jazper Peacey who previously held both titles with a time of 49 seconds – a fantastic run in a deeply unpleasant and gruelling event!

Last but not least Ashya Gray added a centimetre to his own long jump record moving it from 5.38 to 5.39 and winning gold in the process. Ashya will be first to admit that his school records are his best distance but he still holds the titles of school record and best in school without even reaching his PB.



Personal Bests

Hugh Lewis deserves a special mention for representing the school for the first time since joining recently. Hugh ran a fantastic PB of 2.46 in his 800m race. Ben Lumoso produced his best ever long jump to finish in the bronze medal position with a leap of 4.25 and was only 2cm off his triple jump best. Ruby Aczel ran her fastest ever 100m race crossing the line in 16.4 seconds while Sophie Weaden clocked in in 32.8 seconds for her 200m race. Megan Larkin produced a PB in her 800m race crossing in 3.19 and was only 4cm off her best in the long jump with a distance of 3.69 which earned her a very impressive bronze medal. Chloe Weaden couldn't find her best shot on the day of the competition but still threw an enormous 7.24 to take the silver medal. Tyrese Bracey ran the fastest 100 of any St Katherine's boy this year with a time of 12.92 to take bronze. Mursal Sharif ran his best 800m race ever crossing in a personal best time of 2.37. The year 9 boys relay team of Tyrese Bracey, Max Andrews, Charlton Milligan and Tom Evans were 9 tenths of setting a new school record after running their 4 x100 in 52.9. Henry Welch also threw 9.82 in his shot which was a way off his school record but still earned him a well-deserved bronze medal. Finley King amazed all of the staff and athletes at practice the other week when he broke the school record and cleared 1.55 – although Finley could only clear 1.45 at the meet he still took the joint gold medal and now holds the titles of school record and best in school for the high jump!

Congratulations to all of the athletes who competed at the meet – the level of competition is really high so you should be proud of your achievements!

Mr Cook

10 BOYS BASKETBALL V CLEVEDON

Fantastic display from boys in red plus point scoring debut for 3

On Wednesday 16 May the U15 boys gathered in the sportshall eager to face the second of two new opponents on the basketball court. We are really grateful to Clevedon for making the trip over considering they were forced at short notice to fill a couple of spaces on their team with boys from lower down the school. The nature of the game meant that it was a perfect opportunity for 3 boys; Eli Smith, Charlie Hayward and Zubair to make their debuts for the basketball team – as it turned out all of them managed to get on the scoresheet.



Hamza BULALEH, Ashya GRAY, Charlie HAYWARD, Sharmarka MATTAN, Zakaria MOHAMOOD, Reece PALMER, Eli SMITH, Muhammed ZUBAIR

A good number of this group of year 10 boys have been really committed to their basketball this year and have a real interest in the game. For those reasons they are now have a much better understanding of how to play the game and it became clear right from the outset of this match that they were going to be able to string together some really impressive plays and play basketball that was really enjoyable to watch.

The boys with more experience on court were really clever at bringing their new team mates into the game. Zak in particular was handling the ball with real class and his passing was really slick. As good as Zak was on the ball, it still took a team mate to make the cut to the basket so that Zak could find him with the pass and the boys were queuing up to take on that duty. Zak was spoilt for options with the ball and his assist stats were really impressive. Hamza, Charlie, Eli and Zubair were all making excellent back cuts when they were on court and exploiting the space in behind the Clevedon defence. Reece and Sharky were enjoying getting free inside and causing havoc! Reece is really effective on the cut and works brilliantly off of the back board – his offence has really come on this year and his improvement is really evident from his points tally! Sharky was enjoying just as much space inside the perimeter and with time and space to work with was nailing his shooting. As ever Ashya was dominant down the middle of the court and also under the basket at both ends – when the boys got the ball into him, good things happened. He didn't just stand motionless after giving a pass either, he'd look for the ball and linked up a couple of times with team mates to finish off some really neat basketball.

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All in all the SK boys were thoroughly deserving of their 55-11 victory but also really grateful to Clevedon for making the journey across to us despite being depleted. MVP has to go to Reece Palmer for his points contribution but special mentions are needed for the three boys making their debut – none came along as passengers and all were a threat to the basket scoring points to boot!

Mr Cook

Player	Points
Ashya Gray	10
Zak Mohamood	4
Shamarka Mattan	10
Reece Palmer	17
Hamza Bulaleh	4
Charlie Hayward	2
Zubair	4
Eli Smith	4

U13 BOYS CRICKET V HAYGROVE

Lots of boys enjoy 70 overs of cricket playing for school and club

On Thursday 17 May a group of U13 boys travelled to Haygrove in Bridgewater for a friendly cricket game. Haygrove are a fixture that we have picked up in recent times due to our involvement in the Chance to Compete outdoor competitions. Earlier this season Haygrove travelled to us with a strong U15 side that won comfortably so now it was our turn to travel to them with the U13 boys. Many of the boys in the U13 team also play their club cricket at Lodway who also had a game on that same evening! These boys managed to squeeze in nearly 70 overs of cricket throughout the afternoon and evening – what a brilliant way to spend your time!



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Seth COOK, Reggie-Lee HAYWARD, William KING, Benjamin LUMOSO, Mac MARSHALL, Toby RICE, Ariel RUGMAN, Charley SONGER, Will STRATTON, Jack THOBURN, Maxwell WILLIAMS

St Katherine's won the toss and elected to field first and captain Toby Rice got the boys off to a fantastic start taking a wicket in his first over getting their opener out bowled breaking middle stump in the process! Lots of the boys then took it in turns to bowl while Haygrove managed to establish a much needed and impressive second wicket partnership of 47 runs with some well struck boundaries. It was Will King who came on to bowl and made the first major breakthrough to dismiss a Haygrove batsman. Will finished with excellent figures of 11-2 off of his 2 overs but also having made the key breakthrough – not bad for your debut!

Maxwell grabbed the next wicket bowled in the 11th over while Ari and Mac followed up with consecutive maidens. This put some pressure on the Haygrove boys at the back end of their innings and when Toby came back on for the final over he picked up the fifth wicket with his first delivery. Haygrove had batted pretty well and had a defendable 78 from their 15 overs.

The main problem at the midway point wasn't their ability to chase down the runs but the time they had available to get them! So that the boys could be back at Lodway for 6 we had to be back on the minibus but 545. We didn't start batting until gone 430 so this gave the boys 45 minutes to hit the 79 they needed for victory. For that reason, some of the running between the wickets was suicidal and it was sheer luck on some occasions that batsmen made their ground!

Toby and Mac opened together and both batted really sensibly for the first few overs avoiding the loss of any early wickets putting on a 46 run partnership. It was about 450 when Toby looked at me and I nodded for him to start hitting out – he managed to smash a few extra runs but they was caught out after top edging one to the keeper. Ben, Seth and Will were all victims of some wild running between the wickets but the boys managed to run through the odd extra here and there to keep the scoreboard ticking over. Believe it or not, by 5pm the boys needed just 10 runs for victory off of 6 overs. In fairness to the Haygrove bowlers they had fantastic strength in depth in their attack and all of them were right on the money which made it really tricky for SK in the final few balls of their run chase. Will Stratton was really effective at the crease alongside Mac and although their partnership was only 6 runs, it consisted of 6 runs that shouldn't really have been on offer but for some sharp running between the wickets. It was eventually Reggie and Mac who saw the boys home with Mac finishing 21 not out at the close.

There was just enough time left at the end of the game for some quick handshakes and the SK boys hopped straight on to the minibus and made it back to Lodway for 601 – not bad going! Special thanks to Haygrove for hosting us and Bridgewater CC for the use of their facilities for the game.

Well done everyone!

Mr Cook

BATSMAN	RUNS	HOW OUT	R	B	M	W	Lb	2s	3s	4s	5s	6s	SR
1 B Kelly	11	b Will King	14	24	30	17	4	1	2				29%
2 H Standerwick	18	b Toby Rice	9	2	9	2							0.0
3 H Smith	22	b Will King	22	31	21	12	4	3	2	1			43%
4 M Bryant (LHB)	15	not out	15	18	20	12	3	1	1	1			33%
5 T Hudson	1	b Maxwell Williams	1	3	1	2	1						33%
6 D Phillips	2	b Toby Rice	2	15	8	13	2						13%
7 J Hurford	0	not out	0	3	1	2							0.0
8 Sam Stacey													
9 Charlie Fisher													
10 T Henderson													
11													

15.0 OVERS											EXTRAS: 24 (11wd 8lb 3b 6b 6p)	TOTAL 78	RUNS
FOW	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
SCORE	1	48	59	90	76								
OUT	H Standerwick	H Smith	B Kelly	T Hudson	D Phillips								
OVER	0.3	7.3	9.4	10.3	14.1								
PSHIP	1	87	11	1	15								

BOWLER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	O	M	R	W	WD	NB	ECON	
Toby Rice	1	1	1													3		6	2			2.00	
Jack Thoburn				11												2		15				4	7.50
Mac Marshall																2		1	10			2	8.00
Ari Rugman																2		1	2			2	1.00
Charley Songer																1		14				3	14.00
Ben Lumoso																1		7					7.00
Will King																2		11	2			3	8.50
Will Stratton																1		5				3	8.00
Maxwell Williams																1		3	1			2	3.00

BATSMAN	RUNS	HOW OUT	R	B	M	W	Lb	2s	3s	4s	5s	6s	SR
1 Toby Rice	30	c B Kelly b H Standerwick	30	25	23	8	0	5	1	2			68%
2 Mac Marshall	21	run out	21	22	40	20	7	4					38%
3 Ben Lumoso	3	run out (Sam Stacey)	3	2	1	1							10%
4 Maxwell Williams	1	b T Henderson	1	3	3	2	1						33%
5 Seth Cook	0	run out (B Kelly)	0	0	0								0.0
6 Will Stratton	1	run out (B Kelly)	1	3	3	2	1						33%
7 Reggie Hayward	0	not out	0	1	0	1							0.0
8 Ari Rugman													
9 Will King													
10 Charley Songer													
11 Jack Thoburn													

11.0 OVERS											EXTRAS: 23 (12wd 4lb 3b 6b 6p)	TOTAL 79	RUNS
FOW	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
SCORE	46	83	86	65	72								
OUT	Toby Rice	Ben Lumoso	Maxwell Williams	Seth Cook	WB Stratton								
OVER	5.5	7.3	8.5	9.2	10.5								
PSHIP	46	7	13	8	5								

BOWLER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	O	M	R	W	WD	NB	ECON	
M Bryant																2		15				5	7.50
J Hurford																1		5					8.00
H Smith																1.5		11					8.00
T Hudson																1		7				3	7.00
Sam Stacey																2		1	9				4.50
Standerwick																1		6	1			3	8.00
Charlie Fisher																1		5				2	8.00
T Henderson																2		14	1			2	7.00



U13 GIRLS OUTDOOR CRICKET C2C R1

First round ends in final game play off

Playing in their first outdoor game of the year, the St Kath's U13 girls side put their efforts in training into good use in the chance to compete Somerset county first round. With Clevedon dropping out, the format was a simple 3 team round robin and St Kath's faced Broadlands in the first game. With Broadlands bowling first, both Chloe Weaden and Megan Larkin had a strange experience with the Broadlands girls struggling with their batting and found it hard to find anything to actually hit, with the majority of runs coming from extras. Chloe and Megan did however find the boundary each to post a solid 58 runs for no loss of wickets. When bowling, Leah Porter opened and gave little away, all of the St Kath's girls bowled well and were backed up well by Jess Sharpe playing wicket keeper. Solid fielding stopped runs and the Broadlands girls found it hard to score. Sophie Weaden has a particularly good over to finish taking 3 wickets, 2 bowled and 1 caught and bowled. The Broadlands side posted a score of 20-3 and St Kath's won by 38 runs.

Broadlands and Hayesfield played the next game and Hayesfield were convincing winners leaving the final game as a decider.

St Kath's won the toss and opted to field first. Despite really accurate bowling, the batters from Hayesfield were hugely skilled and found gaps in the field to find the boundaries. Despite this the St Kath's side fielded well and stopped many additional runs being scored. The opening batters retired on 20 each which gave St Kath's some breathing space towards the end of the game and the Hayesfield total was 67-0. Isobel Taylor and Sophie Weaden opened the batting and did well to run singles, communicating well to pick up some additional runs; however the pace on the bowling made it difficult to get power behind their shots and the Hayesfield total appeared to be drifting away from the St Kath's side. Daisy Money joined the crease after Isobel was dismissed and Sophie made way for Leah Porter. It was a solid display of batting and it would be close towards the end but the St Kath's total fell 25 runs short at 42-3.

We have also since learned that the girls have qualified for the County Finals taking one of the 2nd place spots so more cricket to come for these ladies.

Well done all.

Miss Ball

SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL V SIDCOT

Boys battle through tough contest but enjoy hospitality after the game

On Friday 18 May a group of older boys travelled to Sidcot School for a friendly basketball fixture. What with revision and exams it has been a while since any of the year 11 boys have taken to the basketball court and it was quite apparent at training on the lunchtime that there was some rustiness! The Sidcot boys were mainly year 13 with some first year sixth formers whereas our boys were mostly 10s and 11s with one year 12 so it was always going to be a physical challenge.

Hamza BULALEH, Danny CONWAY, Ashya GRAY, Sharmarka MATTAN, Zakaria MOHAMOOD, Dexter MOTT, Reece PALMER, Matthew PARSONS, Caolan PEARCE, Louis STRATTON, Hao Hao ZHANG

The first quarter was a really low scoring period and wound up 10-2 to the home side. In the early part of the game SK had found it difficult to compete physically and struggled to work any clear cut openings to the basket. On the drive the Sidcot defense was strong and when a player was over played on the perimeter the cover came in big and strong to snuff out any chance of making the lay-up. SK persevered with their 5 out offence but weren't really enjoying much reward for their effort. On defense, they were being really tested physically as Sidcot worked great variations with a combination of impressive post play and some impressive range shooting off of screens.

In the second period of the game the Sidcot dominance grew and they really started to stretch out their lead. At one point in the period it was out to 18 points and SK were struggling to make any sort of impact on the game. An injury to one of the Sidcot players gave the SK boys an opportunity to gather themselves and change their habits after making the decision for Ashya to go in and play the post to occupy as many of the defenders as he could. After the tactical change during the timeout reds nailed the offensive move on their first possession. The ball was put in from the back and quickly passed up the court to Louis Stratton who fed it into Ashya who was now occupying the post. Louis cut high after his pass and collected the return to sink his lay-up and the boys in red got loud on the side and started to get behind their team mates. This change really worked at the end of the second period and into the third.

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The SK boys started to close down the lead at this stage in the game and Ashya was proving super effective under the basket. Boys were using him as an option as often as they could but also found a little less pressure on the outside which allowed their now 4 out offense to flow much more readily. Caolan also went on one of his scoring sprees where he gets really pumped up and just seems to score at will. In the first half Caolan only managed 2 points but scored 6 in less than as many minutes during the third to bring the game to within single digits! The boys had worked themselves into the ground in attempt to get back into the game and were really flagging on court.

Changes were a must in the final period and unfortunately not only were Sidcot able to motor to victory they were also able to extend their lead back out to double digits with the final score finishing 42 points to 30. The SK boys were spent and really tired after their physical workout which was no surprise given the age different of the two sets of players. Although the victory was comfortable, SK competed hard during the game with some boys really stepping up their performance! It's funny what fatigue can do to a sportsman and all of a sudden they lose their focus or let their guard slip.

After the game the boys were exhausted but some still managed to find the energy to tuck into the post-match food that was provided by our hosts. Many thanks to Sidcot for their hospitality and well done to all of the boys for a tough outing; especially those boys who were fasting and still put in a great shift! MVP Ashya Gray for his work under the hoop! Special mention also to Louis Stratton who enjoyed his best game for the school yet – great to see such a hardworking, lovely lad have made such enormous progress on the basketball court!



I'm not 100% convinced about the stats below – the points are right but the rest of the figures seem a little awry!

Mr Cook

Player	Points	Assists	Steals	Rebounds	Blocks
L Stratton	4	0	2	1	0
D Conway	0	1	0	3	0
R Palmer	5	0	1	1	0
C Pearce	8	0	0	2	0
D Mott	0	1	0	0	0
Z Mohamood	2	0	0	3	0
Z Zhihao	4	0	1	2	0
S Mattan	0	0	0	1	1
H Bulaleh	0	0	1	1	0
A Gray	7	1	1	6	0
M Parsons	0	0	1	0	0

SKY SPORTS EPP PROJECT

Sky Sports group take on orienteering and American football!

On Monday 21 May our Sky Sports group arrived to take on another series of sporting challenges and test their PE and sports skills in a completely different context. Fresh from trying out three new activities the previous week, the group were waiting in anticipation to find out what their next session would cover! This week the group were pushed to the limit mentally and physically in a tough orienteering team challenge followed by a mental barrage of rule changes in an American football session. In typical fashion this lot threw themselves headlong into the opportunity!



Isaac ADEBO, Max ANDREWS, Freya BARNETT, Seb DE MONTFORT, Louie DUN, Beth EDWARDS, Nana GYIMAH-SARPONG, Molly JACKSON, Benjamin LUMOSO, Maya MATTHEWS, Leah MILKINS, Grace NEWBY, Jazper PEACEY, Leah PORTER, Toby RICE, Lara ROPER, Isobel TAYLOR, Chloe WEADEN, Sophie WEADEN

The group started by mixing themselves up into small teams ready to navigate the school like never before in a timed orienteering challenge that involved them searching the site high and low for control points they had seen on a map for just 10 seconds! The teams headed off in all different directions to the furthest corners of the school in search for the magic numbers that corresponded to their letters. Racing mentally and on foot, the students were working against the clock and the pressure brought out the best in the group!



Mr Day setting the next group off on the hunt for another number!



Leah and Lara not wasting any time!



Jazper searching high and low!

Exhausted from their timed challenge, the group were then put through their paces in an American football style overload session. They played games for the entire second half of the session but were bombarded with rule changes and adaptations designed to confuse even the most composed of performers. Students battled their way through the fog of

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rules and against the pain of fatigue to stay on top and not fall foul of the strict and ever changing regulations.



Molly desperate to keep the ball in play!



Seb searching for passing options



Isobel and Toby in full stride

As always, it was fantastic to see the individual characters shining through in the wider group. This group have faced a huge variety of challenges this year and experienced a whole range of PE and sport opportunities. They are without a doubt the best PE group ever!



Well done everyone – special thanks to Mr Day and Mr Brace for organising and running the sessions!

Mr Cook



U15 BOYS CRICKET V SIDCOT

Boys hit 177 off 20 in scorching sunshine at Easton-in-Gordano CC

On Tuesday 22 May the St Katherine's U15 boys were lucky enough to play a friendly fixture against Sidcot School out at Easton-in-Gordano CC. To make the occasion even better the sun was beating down and conditions were set fair for a fantastic evening of cricket. We are really lucky to be so well supported by both of our local cricket clubs and are really grateful to Easton for their generosity in letting us use their facilities.



Will CONROY, Henil DESAI, Louie DUN, Ethan EGLESTON, George HARDWELL, Kaie LAWRENCE, Jazper PEACEY, Alfie RENDELL, Toby RICE, Joshua SONGER, Alexander WILSON

St Katherine's batted first and lots of the boys were keen to get some decent time at the crease, especially given the weather conditions. Openers Will Conroy and Ethan Eggleston got things going nicely and were moving the ball into the gaps and running well between the wickets. Will did have a slight moment of panic when, having told Ethan to have a good look at the pitch before playing any extravagant shots, Ethan dispatched the first delivery of the match for 4 through the covers – in all fairness to Ethan it was a full toss and a quality shot! Ethan and Will put on an opening partnership of 21 before Ethan was caught out at mid-off after mistiming the ball. Will continued on to 39 before getting undone to a full straight delivery leaving Jazper at the crease with Louie Dun. Unfortunately the boys weren't able to build much of a partnership before Jazper had to make his way back to the shed!



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Next to bat was Alex Wilson who often wastes no time notching up runs – this game was no different at all and from ball 1 Alex started scoring and scoring big! In a characteristic brutal hitting display Alex clocked up 50 and had to retire after facing just 19 deliveries consisting of six 4s, four 6s and a 2. As you can see from the photograph – even the wicket keeper got fed up and seemed to know where the ball was going to end up! At the back end of the innings Kaie hit a run-a-ball 19 and Henil found himself 2 not out and what a superb 2 it was! Henil leant on a quality delivery to guide it through the covers with near perfect technique taking the St Kath's total to 177.

In response Sidcot had to face huge variety in the SK bowling attack as the boys used a total of 9 different bowlers. It was birthday boy Alfie Rendell who wound up pick of the Saints bowling attack with figures of 4-9 off of his 2.3 overs. Alfie did have help from some of his fielders who caught well to give Alfie his 4 wickets, Alex held 2 and George and Louie chipped in with a catch each. Henil also stood out with 1-8 off of 2 overs; his LBW was probably one of the easier decisions of the afternoon after he trapped his man in front with a flighted delivery! Louie Dun was really economical going for just 2 runs off of his 2 overs. All of the boys contributed well and in a great team performance they had Sidcot 109 all out meaning that St Katherine's took victory by 68 runs.



All in all a thoroughly enjoyable evenings cricket in fantastic surroundings with brilliant weather!

Well done everyone!

Mr Cook

BATSMAN	RUNS	HOW OUT	R	B	M	0s	1s	2s	3s	4s	5s	6s	SS	SR
1 Will Conroy	.....1..1.444...1.241444.41.W	b Keshav Singal	39	37	37	23	5	1		8				38%105.4
2 Ethan Eggleston	4..1.44...W	c James Barber b Henry Binks	13	11	12	7	1		3					36%118.2
3 Jazper Peacey	.....W	c Keshav Singal b Adrian Ng	0	6	3	6								0.0
4 Alfie Rendell														
5 Louie Dun (wk)	..1.1.2..1..4.....1....W	b Adrian Ng	10	23	40	17	4	1		1				26% 43.5
6 Alex Wilson (LHB)	..6..664.42...64.444	retired (not out)	50	19	15	8	1		6	4				58% 263.2
7 Kaie Lawrence	142.4.....4.4...	not out	19	16	16	10	1	1		4				38% 118.8
8 Henil Desai	..2.....3	not out	5	12	9	10	1	1						17% 41.7
9 George Hardwell														
10 Toby Rice														
11 Josh Songer														
20.0 OVERS			EXTRAS: 41 (25wd 4nb 0lb 12b 0p)			TOTAL 177			RUNS					
FOW	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
SCORE	21	27	82	160										
OUT	Ethan Eggleston Jazper Peacey Will Conroy Louie Dun													
OVER	3.4	4.6	10.2	16.3										
P'SHIP	21	6	54	15										

BOWLER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	O	M	R	W	WD	NB	ECON	
Alex Wilson	R 7 W 1 WD 1 NB 1	1														2		8	1				4.00
Toby Rice	R 9 W 5 WD 1 NB 1	5	6	1												3		20	1				6.67
Will Conroy	R 5 W 1 WD 1 NB 1	12														2		17					8.50
George Hardwell	R 3 W 1 WD 1 NB 1	6														2		10	1	1			5.00
Alfie Rendell	R 1 W 2 WD 1 NB 1	6	1													2.3		9	4	2			3.86
Kaie Lawrence	R 3 W 1 WD 1 NB 1	9														2		12	1				6.00
Henil Desai	R 5 W 1 WD 1 NB 1	1														2		8	1	1	1		4.00
Jazper Peacey	R 5 W 4 WD 1 NB 1	1														1		10		4	1		10.00
Louie Dun (wk)	R 1 W 1 WD 1 NB 1	1														2		2	1				1.00

U15 BOYS CRICKET V GORDANO

Boys enjoy fantastic afternoon of cricket down at Lake Grounds

On Wednesday 23 May the U15 boys were fortunate enough to be able to use the Lake Grounds, home of Portishead CC for a friendly fixture against local school Gordano. This was the second game in two days for this group of boys and they were looking to pick up where they had left off against Sidcot the day before. SK won the toss and chose to bowl first looking to restrict the number of runs that Gordano could accumulate from their 25 overs.



Will CONROY, Henil DESAI, Louie DUN, George HARDWELL, Kaie LAWRENCE, Alfie RENDELL, Toby RICE, Eli SMITH, Joshua SONGER, Logan WEST, Alexander WILSON

Will Conroy and Alex Wilson opened up for SK with the ball and they got off to a fantastic start when in his first over Will Conroy had the Gordano opener caught and bowled leaving the opposition 9-1 after just 2 overs. Credit to the Gordano boys as they didn't panic but instead built a lucrative solid second wicket partnership worth 81 runs. With two batsmen established at the crease Gordano were looking to set a really high total and at one point it looked as though SK could be chasing close to the 177 they had hit the day before!

The first change bowlers were two of the most economical of the group with Toby Rice in particular standing out. Out at Easton, Toby had gone for a few more runs than he would have liked but you can always rest assured that Toby will come back better and that was exactly what he did the next day. After his four overs Toby went for just 8 runs and although didn't pick up a wicket, really restricted the Gordano scoring at a time when they had two really established free scoring batsmen. In fact Toby bowled 16 dot balls out of his 24 which really pegged back the Gordano boys. It was this pressure that eventually led to the breakthrough when Alfie Rendell had Joe Harvey out after he nicked on to his wicket. Shortly after the wicket the Gordano 3 bat and captain retired with 51 after a really classy batting performance. With two new batsmen at the crease Kaie was able to tie up one end and finish with figures of 0-12 off of his 3 overs. At the end of the Gordano 25 they had finished on 152 and SK were confident that at roughly a run a ball, they could chase that down. If anything, they might have been able to restrict the home team even more if a couple of the boys who were going well had bowled out their overs but nobody was complaining at the total required.

If the boys were quietly confident of their ability to chase down the total at the half way mark, then their confidence was only boosted by the first wicket partnership of 42 off of 6.2 overs between Kaie and George. The opening pair had got the boys off to an excellent start and set a solid platform for others to come in later on to go at a very comfortable run rate. In actual fact throughout their entire batting innings, runs were never the problem although getting the boys to recognise that

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they didn't need to come in and start merrily swinging was proving a little trickier! After George had departed things were looking positive as Toby and Alex put on a 25 run partnership. Toby looked in great nick and was scoring big runs in the arc between the covers and third man – anytime the bowler strayed wide of the off stump, Toby punished them and it was great to watch him seeing the ball so well. Alex was still at the other end and still very capable of taking the game away from Gordano in a few overs. After not quite catching a few Alex eventually got hold of one which went like a tracer bullet but unfortunately went straight down the throat of deep extra cover – the fielder had little choice but to catch it else it would have taken him into the lake! Toby hung around to notch up a few more but was caught out after top edging one he tried to turn off of his legs – it cut short a really promising looking innings and left the boys 4 down but still comfortably on track with the run rate.

Despite making it quite clear to each new batsmen that came to the crease the boys came, swung and went all in a short periods of time which eventually made it impossible to chase down the total for lack of wickets! Josh Songer and Alfie Rendell looked as though they might mount a small resurgence but eventually some sharp bowling put pay to any hope of a successful SK run chase. Credit should go to the Gordano bowling attack, they utilised their bowlers really well and learnt that pace off was the key from their time out in the middle. In fact the Gordano slow left-armed finished with a really impressive 5 for and the home team thoroughly deserved their victory.

Many thanks to Portishead CC for letting us use their facilities and to the Gordano boys for a really enjoyable game of cricket.

Well done everyone!

Mr Cook

BATSMAN	RUNS	HOW OUT	R	B	M	0s	1s	2s	3s	4s	5s	6s	SS	SR
1 Kaie Lawrence	. . 214.144 1.4. 1.1W	b Matty Gregory	23	22	24	12	5	1		4				45%104.5
2 George Hardwell (wk) (LHB)	. 2. .11111.111 . . . W	b Kieran Garret	10	18	25	9	8	1						50% 55.6
3 Alex Wilson (LHB)	. 1.4. .12W	c Harry Selwyn b Kieran Garret	8	9	18	5	2	1		1				44% 88.9
4 Toby Rice	. . . 4.4. .1.2.1. .44.1.11.42. .W	c Harry Selwyn b Euan Jones	29	28	34	16	5	2		5				43%103.6
5 Eli Smith	1.4.4W	c Joe Harvey b Euan Jones	9	6	7	3	1			2				50%150.0
6 Will Conroy	.1.W	b Euan Jones	1	4	4	3	1							25% 25.0
7 Josh Songer	.1.4. .W	lbw b Ethan Monks	5	7	13	5	1			1				29% 71.4
8 Alfie Rendell	4. .W	c Harry Selwyn b Euan Jones	4	4	5	3				1				25%100.0
9 Louie Dun	W	b Euan Jones	0	1	0	1								0.0
10 Logan West (LHB)	--	not out	0	2	0	2								0.0
11 Henil Desai	. .W	b Ethan Monks	0	3	0	3								0.0
18.5 OVERS EXTRAS: 24 (10wd 0nb 2lb 3b 0p)			TOTAL	113		RUNS								

FOW	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
SCORE	42	42	67	85	98	99	113	113	113	113
OUT	Kaie Lawrence	George Hardwell	Alex Wilson	Eli Smith	Will Conroy	Toby Rice	Alfie Rendell	Louie Dun	Josh Songer	Henil Desai
OVER	6.5	7.2	11.2	13.3	15.2	15.5	17.3	17.4	18.2	18.5
P'SHIP	42	0	25	18	13	1	14	0	0	0

BOWLER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	O	M	R	W	WD	NB	ECON		
Alex Wilson	R 5 W 7 WD 7 NB 4																		5	29	6		5.80	
Will Conroy	R 2 W 1 WD 2 NB 2	9 2 2 2	6 2 2 2	2 2 2 2	7 1 6 6														5	42	2	14	2	8.40
Toby Rice	R 1 W 1 WD 1 NB 1	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	3 3 3 3															4	8	2		2.00	
Eli Smith	R 2 W 4 WD 2 NB 7	2 4 2 2	1 1 1 1	4 1 4 3															4	19	1	8	2	4.75
Kaie Lawrence	R 7 W 6 WD 1 NB 7	2 1 1 1	3 16 1 2																3	12			4.00	
Alfie Rendell	R 7 W 1 WD 4 NB 4	6 1 1 1	16 2 2 2																3	31	1	2	10.33	
Louie Dun	R 4 W 4 WD 4 NB 4																		1	4			4.00	

U15 BOYS BASKETBALL V PCSA

Boys enjoy lots of court time in impressive display against new opposition

On Thursday 24 May the U15 boys faced Priory Panthers in a friendly basketball fixture. Our U15 boys have been in desperate search for new opponents and have been really lucky to enjoy games against Gordano, the Stars, Nailsea, Clevedon and now Priory this year. The travelling team were very much unknown so SK weren't too sure what to expect. Nonetheless the boys were looking forward to another basketball game.



Kyle BARRETT, Hamza BULALEH, Tom EVANS, Bailee FARLEY, Ashya GRAY, Charlie HAYWARD, Sharmarka MATTAN, Charlton MILLIGAN, Zakaria MOHAMOOD, Reece PALMER

The Panthers started strongly and it was clear right from the outset that they had a good skill level and could shoot the ball. Saints were first on the scoreboard but it didn't take the Panthers long to reply. Their ball handler fought his way through a fairly ragged defence to leave Reece Palmer with little option but to foul. Saints played some good basketball on offence but were a little uncharacteristically sloppy at the basket and left too many points on court during the first period. Defensively they were a little slow to organise too and there were a couple of occasions where the Panthers caught them off guard with much of their play going through their main ball handler. He wasn't their only offensive threat by any means but was instrumental in their offense. At quarter time the game was close with Saints up 10-6.

In the second period personnel were changed and Saints settled into their playing rhythm. Boys were much closer on defence and looked to restrict the Panthers options with the ball. The turnovers soon came and Saints ran in the points at the other end and started to finish much more clinically. Ashya and Reece scored the majority of the points in the second period but that didn't stop Sharky and Charlton contributing too. Reece came alive in this period of the game and really started to have a big impact on the floor particular on offense. Reece is an extremely clever basketball player and it was his movement to the basket that was the reason for Saints stretching out their lead. In the third period the pattern was the same and with a healthy lead there were opportunities for lots of boys to enjoy court time. At the halfway mark Saints were up 22-8 which they extended to 33-8 after the third period.

It may look as though all of the changes disrupted the play in the final quarter of the game but in actual fact Priory just enjoyed a very effective period in the game and seemed to have the ability to score from anywhere on the court. Basketball is such a game of momentum and it is easy to feel powerless out on court when the opposition are running in



points almost at will. Credit to the SK boys as they weathered the storm and slow the Panthers scoring spree. The best way of halting offensive dominance is to get down the other end and post some points of your own and that was exactly what SK did. The final score finished Saints 48 Panthers 24.

MVP has to go to Ashya Gray for his double points and double rebounds – Ashya also went on a blocking spree in the fourth and final quarter and swatted away 3 efforts from the same player in the same phase of play – a brutal defensive display from a phenomenally talented athlete!

Well done to everyone involved and thank you to Priory for travelling up to us.

Mr Cook

Player	Points	Assists	Steals	Rebounds	Blocks
Ashya Gray	18	1	2	10	5
Reece Palmer	12	3	3	5	0
Shamarka Mattan	4	3	0	1	0
Hamza Bulaleh	0	1	1	1	0
Zak Mohamood	10	2	0	2	0
Bailee Farley	0	1	1	1	0
Charlie Hayward	0	0	2	1	0
Charlton Milligan	4	0	1	1	0
Tom Evans	0	0	1	2	0
Kyle Barrett	0	0	2	1	0

GIRLS ROUNDERS V BACKWELL

A mixed set of results against tough opposition

Year 7: St Kath's 8 ½ V Backwell 17

St Kath's travelled to Backwell for what was always going to be a tough fixture. Starting with fielding, the pressure and nerves appeared again with several balls being misfielded allowing Backwell to rack up on half rounders. Jemima German, Poppy Baldwin-Brooks and Ellie-Mai Herbert all worked hard on 1st, 2nd and 3rd base respectively to get the half of the opposition out, but in all they managed to secure a score of 11 after the first innings. Backwell's tight fielding made it difficult for St Kath's to match their score. Poppy successfully scored the first full rounder and with a few halves from Daisy Money, Mia Melias and Melissa Bartlett giving them a challenge in the second innings in order to catch up.

Fielding in the seconding innings was much tighter with some good stops in deep field from Hetty Cleaver and Melissa Bartlett, returning the ball to Bella Wake's safe hands as bowler. The second round of batting also brought more success for St Kath's with full rounders scored again by Poppy and also Daisy Medder and several halves from the other girls including Mia Melias, Helana Mills and Jemima. Unfortunately their hard work wasn't enough to catch Backwell and the game finished Backwell 17 - St Kath's 8 ½.

Player of the match was voted Daisy Medder.



Year 8: St Kath's 20 - 7 Backwell

Another convincing performance by the year 8 side allowed them to keep their 100% record in fixtures this year. Fielding first, their usual tactical strength had been removed by the weather conditions making running to 1st post dangerous so the post was taken out of play. The fielding was tight and stumpings by Chloe Weaden at 2nd and Issy Howie at 3rd

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gave Backwell a hard task. Further catches by Jess Stanley and Maya Matthews ensures they weren't able to face the given 30 balls. When batting for a second time, they had gained more confidence and St Kath's required some tight fielding by Izzy Prime and Molly Green on the left and Sophie Weaden and Leah Porter in the right deep. Jolie Breakwell made some important catches on 4th to stop full rounders being scored, in fact Backwell could not score anything themselves in the second innings.

The St Kath's side started their batting with a first ball rounder from Isobel Taylor, further halves were added by Sophie, Leah and Chloe, and as the innings progressed the entire team contributed to the total score. They took advantage of some nervous fielding by the Backwell side and scored plenty at second, whilst a number of big hits saw a number of rounders scored.

A thumping victory again and Chloe Weaden was voted as player of the match.



SK SPORTING STUDENTS

We are really proud of all of the sporting achievements of the individual students in our school. Below are some updates on some of our sporting students.

Charlie Rice (Rugby)

Wellington Festival and Bristol Academy U17s



Earlier this year Charlie represented Bristol Rugby Academy at the Wellington Festival, a Premiership standard competition for rugby academies. The week included lots of amazing opportunities including fixtures, coaching sessions with professional players and a Q&A with Eddie Jones!

Charlie was then asked to train with Bristol Academy U17s and played his first match for them on Friday 20 April - a derby against Bath Academy. Not only did Charlie making the starting XV, he also scored the first try of the game - a powerful and dynamic carry right through the heart of the Bath defence.

Charlie has been asked to train with the academy throughout July and we wish

Lucie Robertshaw (Taekwondo)

Lucie crowned UK Champion in Individual Patterns at UKITF Finals



On Saturday 24 May Lucie was busy competing at the UKITF Finals held in Reading. Only the top three competitors for each category are invited to the finals so the standard of competition is extremely high!

Lucie competed in Individual Patterns, Special Technique and Team Patterns winning silver in the Special Technique and earning the gold for Team Patterns after a very impressive team performance. Lucie didn't stop there and after beating the current World Champion in the final of the Individual Patterns won an amazing gold that saw her crowned UK Champion in Individual Patterns.

Congratulations Lucie - what a fantastic set of achievements!



Kanye Christie (Athletics)

Christie part of Avon team crowned National Champions at National Indoor Athletics Finals in Manchester



On Saturday 14 April Kanye competed for Avon U13 Boys in the National Sportshall Athletics Finals. Kanye competed in the standing long jump where he leapt 2 metres and 22 centimetres but was also part of the obstacle relay team that won gold - fantastic achievements given that Kanye still have another whole year to compete in this age group!

To make the experience even more special, the Avon U13 Boys team were crowned National Champions finishing with 1221 points, a whole 65 more than their nearest rivals Surrey.

Ashya Gray (Athletics)

Ashya equals third highest ever jump recorded in the UK!



On Sunday 15 April Ashya competed for Avon U15 Boys in the National Sportshall Athletics Finals. Ashya competed in the speed bounce and came fifth in the 2 lap race with an impressive time of 19.8 seconds.

Ashya's main event is the standing long jump and he put in a record equalling performance. Ashya came away with the silver medal on a day where the gold medallist posted the second highest ever jump recorded in the UK - not bad going! Not only did Ashya jump a PB he also equalled the third furthest jump ever recorded in the UK with a distance of 2 metres and 93 centimetres!

A silver medal is an amazing achievement in any National Final but given the standard of athlete at this final in particular, his achievement is even more special. Huge congratulations to Ashya - a phenomenally talented young athlete!

Toby Rice (Cricket)

Toby earns place in full U13 Gloucestershire County side



Toby's cricketing talent is no secret to the students at school who know him best but they may not be aware that Toby was recently selected for the County.

In the two years that I have known Toby I have found one of his defining characteristics to be the way he raises his level of performance when the competition demands it most. Toby has a real ability to come back with his best after a set back - a quality that has no doubt helped him achieve selection for the County.

We all wish Toby the very best of luck with Gloucestershire and are looking forward to hearing about his future success! Well done Toby!

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Does your son / daughter deserve to be recognised for their sporting achievements? If so we want to know about it! Email cookd@skdrive.org to tell us more!



CLUBS AND CAPS TERM 5

A look back at student achievements in the fifth term of the academic year

We are really pleased to be able to share some information about notable student achievements this term. So many of our students give such substantial and sustained contributions to our faculty and they deserve their recognition!

Top Clubbers

Congratulations to the top male and female clubbers for each year group below!

Effie Lomax	Year 7	Matthew Brennan
Isobel Taylor	Year 8	Toby Rice
Molly Jackson	Year 9	Tom Evans
Priscilla Lumoso	Year 10	Hamza Bulaleh, Zak Mohamood, Reece Palmer
Bo Marshall	Year 11	Caolán Pearce & Louis Stratton
-	Year 12 & 13	Tom Green

School Caps

Congratulations to the students below who notched up the most school caps during this term!

Poppy Baldwin-Brooks, Melissa Bartlett, Jemima German, Ellie-Mai Herbert, Mia Melias, Isabella Wake	Year 7	Seth Cook, Reggie Hayward, Charley Songer
Leah Porter, Isobel Taylor, Chloe Weaden, Sophie Weaden	Year 8	Toby Rice
Molly Jackson & Grace Newby	Year 9	Louie Dun
Ruby Webber	Year 10	Will Conroy, Ashya Gray, Eli Smith
-	Year 11	Dexter Mott, Matt Parsons, Caolán Pearce, Louis Stratton, Hao Hao Zhang
-	Year 12 & 13	Danny Conway

Congratulations to the students below who are currently the highest cap earners in the school!

Ruby Webber	95	Most Capped Students	Danny Conway	128
Bo Marshall	74		Caolán Pearce	119
Lauren Dun	72		Tom Green	111

Keep working hard - your effort, endeavour, dedication and commitment doesn't go unnoticed!

Thank you all for your contributions.

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