



Weekly Sports Report Thursday 2 May, 2019 - Term 2 - Week 2

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From the Head of Sport

After a full round of trials against Iona College last Saturday where 66 matches were played, we commence Round 1 of AIC competition for Term 2 sport this Friday with our chess teams taking on St. Peter's Lutheran College. Our 1st XV have already commenced their season with a 61-0 over St Peters last Tuesday afternoon. We would like to commend all students for the way they represented the College last weekend and to our staff for the time and effort that has been put into preparing for the season ahead. We wish all teams the very best of success for what should be an exciting season of sport ahead.

The lead into these seasons always involves a great deal of time and effort from a range of people and I would like to acknowledge the following staff who gave up their valuable time in the recent Easter holiday break to take care of our students:

- for our Football Tour – Mr Quain, Mr Lucas & Mr Lou Mazzoleni
- for our Marist Basketball Tour – Mr Lambourne, Mr Dean Aspland and Ms Murphy Baldry
- for the Rugby Tour – Mr Miles, Mr Kiernan, Mr Mathison, Mr Casey, Mr Filipetto and Mr Gilbert
- for our Cross-Country Camp – Mr Hants & Mr Connor O'Leary

Along with the leaders of our Term 2 programs in Mr Quain (football), Mr Hants, (cross country) Mr Bull and Mr Humphry (chess) we thank them for their commitment to our College.

Congratulations to our Open basketball team who represented the College at the recent Marist Basketball Carnival in Canberra. The team was exceptional as ambassadors for our College and we thank Mr Dean Aspland and Ms Murphy Baldry for the tremendous job they did in preparing and coaching the boys for this competition. Thank you also to Mr John Lambourne and Mr Mick Connolly for their smooth organisation and management of the team.

Our Chess teams are looking to continue their strong performances and after placing 2nd in the aggregate competition last year they will be looking to regain the aggregate championship under the guidance of Mr Bull, Mr Humphrey and their coaching staff.

This weekend, with St. Peter's not always fielding the full complement of teams we will have some internal matches so please check the schedules being posted today carefully as some teams are playing on Friday afternoon in both football and rugby.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 3 May

AIC Chess Round 1
v St Peters Lutheran College

Saturday 4 May

AIC Rugby & Football Round 1
v St Peters Lutheran College

Wednesday 8 May

Cross Country Meet at Runcorn

Friday 10 May

AIC Chess Round 2
v St Patricks College

Saturday 11 May

AIC Rugby & Football Round 2
v St Patricks College

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From the Head of Sport Continued...

Given the large number of teams that will compete for the College on the weekend, it is important to remind all boys of a few points which will ensure that the College is represented in the best possible way.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Marist College Ashgrove Sport comes first – no exceptions. As I know all students and families are aware, our College policy on all students at Marist College Ashgrove committing to their school sport first is and always will be in place. Please ensure you are maintaining your commitment to your school first throughout the upcoming season.

A few key REMINDERS regarding sport:

- Training – coaches spend a lot of time planning seasons and training sessions for our teams. It is only fair that students are organised, on time and ready to train for every session.
- Absence – students are not to send a message about missing training through another student. Please speak to your coach in person or email in advance about why you will miss training.
- Sport Contacts – Should you have any questions regarding Rugby, Football or Cross Country please contact the relevant staff coordinators in the first instance. For any specific information for your age group please contact the age coordinators listed below.

RUGBY

COORDINATOR	David Miles	
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COORDINATOR	Terry Quain	
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YEAR 7	Mr Andrew Ward	warda@marash.qld.edu.au

COMMUNICATION

With a busy term ahead, it is important that students and parents regularly check the main sources of information to receive updates and changes to draws, training timetables etc. Each week, information can be found in:

- The Buzz Newsletter (draws, training timetables, general information & contacts)
- College App
- Sports noticeboard (outside the gym)
- Morning and afternoon notices
- Emails (students are reminded to check these regularly!)

WET/EXTREME WEATHER

It is inevitable that the weather will cause some games and training to be cancelled.

Parents and students are encouraged to download the MCA App for the most up to date announcements regards training and games.

SPORT PHOTOS AND VIDEOS

The sports department are always looking for photos and videos of the Colleges sporting teams throughout the year. If you wish to share these for use in the Sports newsletter, Blue and Gold, as well as other College publications, we encourage you to please send them to mcasport@marash.qld.edu.au

From the Head of Sport Continued...

TERM 2 SPORT UNIFORM

While we have been quite successful in wearing our correct jerseys for both codes, we are letting ourselves down with socks and shorts. No player will be permitted to take the field if they are not in the correct blue socks and shorts. If you are heading home after a game and you intend on returning to support other teams, please wear the College uniform. Boys remaining at the College after their games are welcome to support in their playing uniform provided they are well-presented. All coaches will be asked to not put a player on until they have the correct uniform so please organise this ASAP. Please see photos below as for correct Rugby and Football uniform.



HUMILITY

As was mentioned in the corresponding newsletter last year, it is extremely important to act with humility at all times. We are fortunate to have talented athletes supported by great coaching and we will often be in positions where we can win games very convincingly. We lose all credibility and respect from opposition schools, staff and parents if we cannot win with dignity and be humble in our victories. Cheering or jeering opposition errors is not representative of the character we pride ourselves on. We ask that high standards of sportsmanship are displayed regardless of the score.

RESPECT FOR OFFICIALS

Given that it is often difficult to find enough referees/linesmen to cover the large number of matches hosted each week, it is an expectation that all players are respectful towards officials whether playing or supporting. Dissent or misconduct towards officials will not be tolerated.

CANTEENS

Our canteens rely on the support of parents to assist our P&F in providing this service to you. The McMahon oval canteen is very busy on a Saturday and for those of you lucky enough to play Rugby on Hayden and McMahon there is a certain amount of responsibility involved in your support of the canteens. If we cannot get the parents of boys playing on Hayden and McMahon to assist in the McMahon oval canteen on Saturday's, we may need to look at changing the draws to support the teams whose parents are willing to help. If boys want the privilege of playing on these main fields, then we would really appreciate the support of our Marist families. With the opening of our renovated fields on the Flats, it will certainly be a busy venue once again. Therefore, we require support from our parents at our Flats canteen as well. Please check your emails, our College APP and Facebook page for how you can get involved.

IMPORTANT

Key Notable jobs in canteen involve:

- Setting up Area
- Prep and Cooking
- Service
- Pack down and Clean up

Help in these areas only require 1 hour before sons' games and will never overlap with your son's game time, any help within these areas would be greatly appreciated. If you need more information or interested in helping out please contact: Roberta Bannah on 0427 166 128 via phone or text.

From the Head of Sport Continued...

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the efforts of several staff members who have worked tirelessly to prepare teams or coordinate programs over the past month for the upcoming seasons of sport.

- Junior Sport – Mr John Lambourne
- Chess – Mr Daniel Bull
- Rugby – Mr David Miles (coordinator) - 1st XV coaches Mr David Miles, Mr Brendan Kiernan and Mr Anthony Mathison
- Football – Mr Terry Quain and Mr Zach Woodward - 1st XI coaches Mr Jamie Morgan and Mr Corey Lucas
- Cross-country – Mr Chris Hants with support from Head Coach, Mr Connor O’Leary

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all students on their selection in the 1st teams for 2019 (see later in The Buzz). These teams will be presented in front of the College at our May 2 assembly. It is always an honour to represent Ashgrove in any team across the school with the 1st XI and 1st XV seen as the pinnacle of their sports and we congratulate these students on their achievement.

1ST XV RUGBY

ASH 1st XV vs. ST PETERS 1st XV

Result: 61 - 0

XV 1ST XI FOOTBALL

ASH 1st XI vs. ST PETERS 1st XI

12:30pm Harts Road Oval
St Peters Lutheran College

****ALL SUPPORTERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO TURN OUT IN GREAT NUMBERS TO SUPP’ORT OUR TEAMS!!****

Mr David Miles
Head of Sport

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1st XV Rugby and 1st XI Football Team Selections

Congratulations to the following boys who have been selected for their respective 1st sides for Round 1 v St Peters Lutheran College this weekend. These boys have put in countless hours of training to reach this point and we wish them the best of luck on Saturday.

1ST XV RUGBY

1. Ben Adams
2. Floyd Aubrey
3. Nick Baker
4. Josh Billing
5. Harry Clements
6. Hunter Dreghorn
7. Darcy Hammond
8. Lachlan Howse
9. Lachlan Laffer
10. Dwayne Ludwick
11. Lachlan McDonald
12. Lachlan McKarzel
13. Tom McKinlay
14. Harry McVeigh
15. Max Mee
16. Luke Mekea
17. Will Michelmore
18. Matt Mitchell
19. Campbell Moller
20. Josh Radford
21. Gus Rosanowski
22. John Spencer
23. Sam Stephens

Coach

Mr David Miles

Asst Coach

Mr Brendan Kiernan

Asst Coach

Mr Anthony Mathison



1ST XI FOOTBALL

1. George Oates
2. Max Fryar
3. Stephen Hanson
4. Zak Payne
5. Flyn Bowden (C)
6. Sam Keogan
7. Ben Braunstorfer
8. Harry Skinner
9. Will Gullo
10. Sam Vosper
11. Zac Kierpal
12. Simon Mifsud (VC)

Coach

Mr Jamie Morgan

Asst Coach

Mr Corey Lucas

Manager

Mr Lou Mazzoleni



Rugby Training Timetable - Term 2, Week 3

DAY/TIME	MCMAHON	HAYDEN	FLAT 8	FLAT 7
Monday				
Morning 6:45am - 8:00am				
Afternoon 3:30pm - 5:00pm				
Tuesday				
Morning 6:45am - 8:00am				
Afternoon 3:30pm - 5:00pm	1st XV/2nd XV	Year 9	Year 7	Year 8
Wednesday				
Morning 6:45am - 8:00am	Year 10A/B	Year 10 C - colour		
Afternoon 3:30pm - 5:00pm	1st XV/2nd XV	Open rugby		
Thursday				
Morning 6:45am - 8:00am				
Afternoon 3:30pm - 5:00pm	1st XV/2nd XV	Year 9	Year 7B-F	Year 8
Friday				
Morning 6:45am - 8:00am	3rds/ 10A	7A	4ths/5ths/6ths	
Afternoon 3:30pm - 5:00pm				

Football Training Timetable - Term 2, Week 3

MORNING 6:45AM-8:00AM					
FIELD	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Cameron	Public Holiday	1st XI & 2nd XI Football	5th XI Football	1st XI & 2nd XI Football	
Flat 8		7 Gold Football / ISSA Cup Team	7 White / Year 8 football	8A, 8B & 8C football	
Flat 7		4th & 5th XI football	Year 8 football	Year 9 football	7 Green Football
Jack Eales		Year 6 football			
Hayden		Year 6 football			

AFTERNOON 3:30PM-5:00PM					
FIELD	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Cameron	Public Holiday	9A, 9B & 9C football	10A, 10B football	ISSA Cup v Grace Lutheran	4th & 6th XI football
Flat 7		Year 5 football	3rd XI, 7A-7C Football	Year 6 football	10C, 8 Gold & White football

AIC WEEK 1 RUGBY FIXTURES

MARIST COLLEGE ASHGROVE V SPLC & OTHER COLLEGES FRIDAY MAY 3 AND SATURDAY MAY 4, 2019

Rugby Coordinator: Mr David Miles

- All players to arrive at least 45 mins prior to game time OR when your coach has requested
- All students are expected to be in correct uniform at all times – Ashgrove Rugby jersey, BLUE playing shorts, and Ashgrove rugby socks

FRIDAY MAY 3, 2019			
TEAM	TIME	H/A	VENUE
ASH 10 GOLD v ASH 10 WHITE	4:00pm	HOME	Hayden Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
ASH 5A v ASH 5B	3:45pm	HOME	McMahon Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove

SATURDAY MAY 4, 2019 - YEAR 9 – OPENS			
TEAM	TIME	H/A	VENUE
1sts vs. SPLC 1sts	4:00pm	AWAY	Field 1, Mayer Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College (WIN 61-0)
ASH 2nds vs. ASH 3rds	1:00pm	HOME	McMahon Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
4ths vs. SPLC 3rds	12:00pm	AWAY	Field 2, Mayer Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College
5ths vs. SLC 5ths	9:00am	AWAY	Crawford Oval, SLC playing fields. Nathan Rd, Runcorn
6ths vs. IONA 5ths	10:00am	AWAY	Davine Oval, Iona College. 85 North Rd, Lindum
10A vs. SPLC 10A	12:00pm	AWAY	Field 1, Mayer Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College
10B vs. ATC 16A	9:00am	AWAY	Jack Bowers West, Ambrose Treacy College. Kate St, Indooroopilly
10C vs. VILLA 10C	9:15am	AWAY	Charlie Fisher Oval. Villanova Park. Wynnum Rd, Tingalpa
9A vs. SPLC 9A	11:00am	AWAY	Field 1, Mayer Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College
9B vs. SPLC 9B	10:00am	AWAY	Field 1, Mayer Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College
9C vs. ATC 14A	8:00am	AWAY	Jack Bowers West, Ambrose Treacy College. Kate St, Indooroopilly
9 GOLD vs. BYE	BYE	BYE	BYE
9 WHITE vs. IONA 9 GOLD	9:00am	AWAY	Harron Oval, Iona College. 85 North Rd, Lindum
9 GREEN vs. SLC 9 GOLD	8:00am	AWAY	Crawford Oval, SLC playing fields. Nathan Rd, Runcorn

SATURDAY MAY 4, 2018 - YEAR 5 – 8			
TEAM	TIME	H/A	VENUE
8A vs. SPLC 8A	12:00pm	HOME	McMahon Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
8B vs. ATC 8A	11:00am	HOME	McMahon Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
8C vs. SLC 8C	10:00am	HOME	McMahon Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
8 GOLD vs. SLC 8 WHITE	9:00am	HOME	McMahon Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
8 WHITE vs. IONA 8 WHITE	8:00am	HOME	McMahon Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
7A vs. SPLC 7A	11:00am	HOME	Hayden Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
7B vs. ATC 7A	10:00am	HOME	Hayden Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
7C vs. SLC 7D	9:00am	HOME	Hayden Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
7 GOLD vs. VILLA 7C	8:00am	HOME	Hayden Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
7 WHITE vs. VILLA 7 WHITE	8:15am	AWAY	Field 2, Villanova Park. Wynnum Rd, Tingalpa
7 GREEN vs. VILLA 7D	12:00pm	HOME	Hayden Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
ASH 6A vs. ASH 6B	11:00am	HOME	Flat 8, Des Connor Fields. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove.
6C vs. SPLC 6A	10:00am	HOME	Flat 8, Des Connor Fields. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove.
6 GOLD vs. SLC 6 GOLD	9:10am	HOME	Flat 8, Des Connor Fields. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove.
5C vs. SPLC 5A	8:20am	HOME	Flat 8, Des Connor Fields. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove.
5 GOLD vs. SLC 5 GOLD	7:30am	HOME	Flat 8, Des Connor Fields. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove.

AIC WEEK 1 FOOTBALL FIXTURES

MARIST COLLEGE ASHGROVE V SPLC & OTHER COLLEGES FRIDAY MAY 3 AND SATURDAY MAY 4, 2019

Rugby Coordinator: Mr Terry Quain

- All players to arrive at least 45 mins prior to game time OR when your coach has requested
- All students are expected to be in correct uniform at all times - Ashgrove Football jersey, BLUE playing shorts, and Ashgrove football socks

FRIDAY MAY 3, 2019

TEAM	TIME	H/A	VENUE
ASH 5ths v ASH 6ths	4:00pm	HOME	Cameron Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
ASH 7GOLD v ASH 7 WHITE	4:15pm	HOME	Flat 7, Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
ASH 5WHITE v ASH 5GREEN	3:30pm	HOME	Flat 7 (field 1), Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove

SATURDAY MAY 4, 2018 - YEAR 9 – OPENS

TEAM	TIME	H/A	VENUE
1sts vs. SPLC 1sts	12:30pm	AWAY	Harts Rd Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College. Harts Rd, Indooroopilly
2nds vs. SPLC 2nds	11:00am	AWAY	Harts Rd Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College. Harts Rd, Indooroopilly
3rds vs. SPLC 3rds	11:40am	AWAY	Stolz Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College. Harts Rd, Indooroopilly
4ths vs. SPLC 4ths	10:30am	AWAY	Stolz Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College. Harts Rd, Indooroopilly
10A vs. SPLC 10A	9:45am	AWAY	Harts Rd Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College. Harts Rd, Indooroopilly
10B vs. SPLC 10B	8:30am	AWAY	Stolz Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College. Harts Rd, Indooroopilly
10C vs. SLC 10C	8:00am	AWAY	Field 3, SLC playing fields. Nathan Rd, Runcorn
10 GOLD vs. BYE	BYE	BYE	BYE
9A vs. SPLC 9A	8:30am	AWAY	Harts Rd Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College. Harts Rd, Indooroopilly
9B vs. SPLC 9B	9:30am	AWAY	Stolz Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College. Harts Rd, Indooroopilly
9C vs. SPLC 9C	7:30am	AWAY	Stolz Oval, St. Peter's Lutheran College. Harts Rd, Indooroopilly
9 GOLD vs. SLC 9 GOLD	9:00am	AWAY	Field 7, SLC playing fields. Nathan Rd, Runcorn
9 WHITE vs. IONA 9 GOLD	7:30am	AWAY	Coghill Oval, Iona College. North Rd, Lindum

SATURDAY MAY 4, 2018 - YEAR 5 – 8

TEAM	TIME	H/A	VENUE
8A vs. SPLC 8A	8:30am	HOME	Cameron Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
8B vs. SPLC 8B	10:30am	HOME	Cameron Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
8C vs. SPLC 8C	11:30am	HOME	Cameron Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
8 GOLD vs. BYE	BYE	BYE	BYE
8 WHITE v SLC 8 GREEN	12:30pm	HOME	Cameron Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
7A vs. SPLC 7A	7:30am	HOME	Cameron Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
7B vs. SPLC 7B	9:30am	HOME	Cameron Oval, Marist College Ashgrove. Frasers Rd, Ashgrove
7C vs. SPLC 7C	11:00am	HOME	Flat 7, Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
7 GREEN vs. IONA 7 WHITE	12:00pm	HOME	Flat 7, Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
6A vs. SPLC 6A	7:30am	HOME	Flat 7 (field 1), Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
6B vs. SPLC 6B	8:20am	HOME	Flat 7 (field 1), Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
6C vs. SPLC 6C	9:10am	HOME	Flat 7 (field 1), Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
6 GOLD vs. BYE	BYE	BYE	BYE
ASH 6WHITE vs. ASH 6 GREEN	10:00am	HOME	Flat 7 (field 1), Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
5A vs. SPLC 5A	7:30am	HOME	Flat 7 (field 2), Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
5B vs. SPLC 5B	8:20am	HOME	Flat 7 (field 2), Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
5C vs. SPLC 5C	9:10am	HOME	Flat 7 (field 2), Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove
5 GOLD vs. SPLC 5 GOLD	10:00am	HOME	Flat 7 (field 2), Des Connor Park. Grevillea Rd, Ashgrove

AIC WEEK 1 CHESS FIXTURES

MARIST COLLEGE ASHGROVE V ST PETERS LUTHERAN

FRIDAY MAY 3, 2019

Chess Coordinator: Mr Daniel Bull and Tim Humphry

- All players to arrive at least 30 mins prior to game time
- All students are expected to be in correct uniform at all times

Venue: St Peters Lutheran College, 66 Harts Rd, Indooroopilly QLD 4068

Bus departs College at 3:30pm

Games commence at 4:30pm

Bus will return to College by 6:30pm

Strength and Conditioning - Term 2, Week 3

TIME		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AM	6:15am - 7:15am	GENERAL USER	OPENS FOOTBALL (FITNESS)	GENERAL USER	OPENS RUGBY (BOARDERS)	GENERAL USER
	7:05am - 8:05am	T&F DEVELOPMENT	OPENS BASKETBALL	T&F DEVELOPMENT	OPENS RUGBY (DAY STUDENTS)	OPENS BASKETBALL
	8:35am - 8:50am	YEAR 5/6 - M.A.D		YEAR 5/6 - M.A.D		YEAR 5/6 - M.A.D
LUNCH	BREAK 1					
	BREAK 2					
PM	3:25pm - 4:25pm	OPENS RUGBY	RUGBY DEVELOPMENT (YEAR 10)	OPENS FOOTBALL	RUGBY DEVELOPMENT (YEAR 10)	
	4:25pm - 5:00pm	OPENS FOOTBALL	GENERAL USER	GENERAL USER	GENERAL USER	

- SPORTS BASED S&C GYM SESSIONS ARE FOR EITHER DESIGNATED 1st OPENS (YEAR 11/12) PLAYERS OR NOMINATED STUDENTS ONLY
- STUDENTS IN YEARS 8 - 12 CAN ACCESS GYM AT DESIGNATED GENERAL SESSIONS (MAX 25 STUDENTS)

2019 New Zealand Rugby Tour

The 2019 New Zealand rugby tour was an experience that the entire squad will remember, with three tough games for both teams along with the amazing cultural adventures we had the chance to indulge in. Across the South Island we developed as both individual players and teams.

We landed in Christchurch on Thursday and were immediately met with chilly weather. We came to a realisation that the conditions we would play in would be far different from the mild temperatures we were used to. Soon after landing we took part in the Maori cultural experience. Described as "eye-opening" by Josh Radford, we were lucky enough to have a small taste of the strong New Zealand heritage. On Friday morning we paid our respects at the Christchurch memorial before travelling to the St Andrews Playing fields for our first game.

The first game at 2:00 saw our very own Marist College Ashgrove 2nd XV take on St Andrews 2nd XV on an extremely muddy, slippery surface. The temperature was unlike any that we have ever played in, dropping to a low of 6 degrees. As Ollie Smith put it, "it was cold, wet and muddy, perfect footy conditions." The gritty first hit out had a final score of (insert score). Following this, our 1st XV were eager to play their first game together. With similar conditions, a dominant first half followed by constant defence in the second was enough to secure the victory with a final score of 22-12.

On Saturday we had a training session with the International High-Performance Unit Coach, Grant Keenan. In the training session, he explained how the Crusaders' high standards and work ethic are vital to their team's success and that we should endeavour to implement them into our teams. He also analysed and improved our attacking and defensive structure leading into our second games.

After billeting a night with the St Bede's families who were kind enough to let us stay in their homes, we travelled out to the Bede's playing fields for our second match. The 2nd XV played the 16As in a tough grind until the final whistle. This was the first 70-minute game played by the 2nds, which had a final score of 15-10. Following this, our 1st XV came up against St Bede's 1st XV in a very high scoring affair. Weighing up against a much bigger team, the hard-fought match ended with a draw of 40-40.

From the game, we hopped straight on the bus for a 6-hour trip to Dunedin. On Monday, we recovered from our matches with some sightseeing and a pool session. A highlight was walking up the world's steepest street, a challenge that some considered to be harder than the actual games.

Our final games were played on Wednesday at the beautiful grounds of Otago boys high. The 2nd XV came up against a strong Otago Boys 3rds team. The boys, battered and bruised from the previous games, showed great heart and come away with the victory with a score of 31-5, making their tour record 3 from 3. The 1sts then ran onto the field in one of the more hostile environments they have played in. The crowd played a massive part in the game, with no quiet moment; however the boys stuck to their strengths and managed to hold onto the victory with a score of 19-10, giving them a clean sheet record of 2 from 3, with one draw.

Finished off with a trip down to Queenstown and some amazing sight-seeing and luge rides, the 2019 rugby tour was a great success and one to remember for years to come.



Cross Country

Congratulations to all the boys who took part in the MCA XC Age Championships on Friday, there were some fantastic battles in each age group and it was great to see our consistent trainers rewarded with strong results.

10 YEARS – 2KM	
1	Harry Prole
2	Jack de Maria
3	Ky Campbell

14 YEARS – 4KM	
1	Ollie Barry
2	Archie Forbes
3	Parker Lovering

11 YEARS – 3KM	
1	Thomas de Luca
2	Oliver Peregrina
3	Taj Cook

15 YEARS – 4KM	
1	Thomas Prole
2	Liam MacCormick
3	Flynn Wiseman

12 YEARS (YEAR 6) – 3KM	
1	Callan Jenson
2	Lachlan Braithwaite
3	Elliot Aldridge

16 YEARS – 5KM	
1	Harry Hunter
2	Jordan Chugg
3	Baxter White

12 YEARS (YEAR 7) – 3KM	
1	Asher Parkin
2	Cian Cournane
3	Lachlan Berwick

OPEN – 5KM	
1	Tyler Borham
2	Morgan Smith
3	Flynn Bowden

13 YEARS – 3KM	
1	James Prole
2	Cooper Guise
3	Isaac Roach

The competition for places in representative teams for the AIC Championships is hotting up and there are going to be some very tough decisions to be made in the coming week. Following is the upcoming race schedule which will be the boys final opportunity to run their way into the squad.

- Saturday 4 May – QLD All Schools Championships @ Rivermount College, Yatala (nomination required EOD Tuesday 30 April)
- Wednesday 8 May – AIC Invitational @ Runcorn – 4:00pm-5:30pm
- Thursday 9 May – Ashgrove Rangers Primary School Meet – Dorrington Park

Please note that both race results, training attendance and individual circumstances will all be considered in selecting teams for the AIC Championships on May 13.