





## CIS BOYS FOOTBALL CUP - ROUND 1

Round 1 Victory

On Monday, the THAC First XI Football team took to the pitch for the school's inaugural match in the Combined Independent Schools (CIS) Cup against Broughton Anglican College at Blacktown Football Park. While the skies looked ominous, the boys seemed up to the challenge, with an intense warm up and a strong pre-match talk from inspirational coach Sonny Makko. The start was energetic and dominant, with the highly fancied THAC boys pressing hard and dominating position. The early nerves settled when Michael Ruhs struck from the far post to put Thomas Hassall ahead on the five minute mark. The goals kept raining for the boys in the first half. The midfield engine of our leonine Captain, Adrian Viggiani and the workhorse, Mandlenkosi Ndlovu set a great platform for our boys to exploit gaps in the defence's exposed line. Further Goals to Adrian Neoklis, Gabriel Safi and the Captain saw Thomas Hassall take a commanding 4-0 lead at half time. The precipitation started reeking true havoc in the second half, with two awkward concessions from set pieces by Thomas Hassall to give Broughton the sniff of a comeback. Any dreams of glory were short-lived however, as another goal to Michael Ruhs and the tower of power, Stefan Todorovic buried Broughton's hopes. The match finished 6-2 to Thomas Hassall. The

next round of the knockout awaits!

Thank you to John Williams (Manager) and Sonny Makko (Coach) for your support and assistance with the team.

The team now await their opponents for Round 2 coming up shortly.