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# **SUMMER IPSSO**

## **Summer IPSSO Sport**

The Summer IPSSO season has been completed and the Finals were played on Wednesday 22 November. It was fantastic to see the improvement of teams throughout the year. Congratulations to all students who represented the College in the Summer IPSSO teams.

A special congratulations to our 3 team who played in the Finals Day:

Senior Softball team - 1st place

Junior Girls Soccer - 2nd place

Junior Basketball - 4th place

#### Cricket

This was another successful year for IPSSO Cricket and the boys should all be proud of how hard they worked. Both our Junior and Senior teams came in third place with our Juniors only just missing out on making it into the finals. The boys made a huge amount of progress in their skills and by the end of this year, both teams became a force to be reckoned with. Earlier this term, our Senior team participated in the GALA day which ended up teaching the boys many lessons that they took into future games and even used to teach the Junior Teams some new tricks and skills with.

It has been a very good year with these teams and such an encouragement to see how well they represented our College each week with their behaviour and good sportsmanship!

#### Mr Shaun Walker

### **Oztag**

Our Summer season of Oz Tag was a mixture of rule learning, skill development, teamwork building, understanding of tactics, fitness and overall fun. Both Junior and Senior teams included a range of experienced and beginning players, providing us with a competitive edge and also a chance to improve on techniques each week. Junior Oz Tag showed significant improvement in their abilities, dominating some games throughout the season and showing outstanding sportsmanship during the losses. Their final result to finish in third place is highly commended. Even though our Senior Oz Tag team did not finish as high on the ladder, we all shared in the excitement of winning our final game of the season. The last game was our highlight as it clearly showed the accumulation of skill development, teamwork and understanding of the game achieved throughout the season. Overall, I'm thankful for the students' who represented our College with kindness, respect and an eager competitive edge during Summer Oz Tag.

### **Mr Austin Buckley**

### **Junior Soccer Girls**

After an amazing season of soccer, the junior girls really put in the 150% effort in their finals. It was a day that the girls should look back with complete pride. In the semi-final, the girls put up an incredibly good fight in a very tight match ending with a win which put them through to the final again Georges River Grammar – a team we knew would always be a challenge!

In the final, I was amazed at the grit and perseverance the girls showed of never giving up until the final whistle was blown. Despite the loss, the girls played with spirit all the way through and ended up in the second half with a goal, a bittersweet finish to a tough game.

As a football lover myself, this is what I like to say it's all about! Yes, winning a grand final always sounds great, but when you see every player on the pitch working as a team and never giving up - that's what I will always be most proud of!

Congratulations to all the girls! Looking forward to the season of 2024!

### Miss Georgia Beikoff

### **Junior and Senior Basketball**

The Junior and Senior Basketball teams had a great season this year, under the guidance of Coach Sheldon. They were keen to learn and improved both teamwork and skills throughout the year. They played with enthusiasm and displayed wonderful sportsmanship on and off the court. Our Senior team came 3rd in the Northern pool, narrowly missing a spot in the Finals. Our Junior team came 2nd in the Northern pool and advanced to Finals Day at St Greg's. In a nail-biting finish in the Semi Finals, our team were narrowly defeated by 2 points. They finished 4th overall, which is a fabulous result. I am very proud of the efforts of both teams this year!!

### Miss Brianna Evans

### **Teeball and Soft Ball**

What a joy to coach the Summer Teeball and Softball teams this year! Both teams worked hard at improving their skills, learning about the game and developing their communication skills and teamwork. The growth in these students across the year has been wonderful to watch. I am most proud that these teams always found ways to encourage each other and help to keep the team thinking positively. Throughout the season, the juniors have developed a love for the game and always played hard, winning many games throughout the season. The seniors walked away as joint champions in a tight match, filled with the highs and lows of two innings.



# **Mrs Cristy Abecina**

### **Mrs Sharon Evans**

P-6 Sports Coordinator