



# St Bernard's College Sports Department

**Character  
Attitude  
Commitment  
No  
Excuses!**

## Weekly Sports Results

### Touch

The second round of touch modules started with a game against HIBs. HIBs had won the junior competition in 2016 and had a good solid core of touch players. Our boys played extremely well, making good yards and defending stoutly. The final score 7-1 in our favour proved to our boys how well they can play when everything flows. In the second game against Silverstream we went away from our game plan a little and our defence was a bit shaky. At half time the scores were level. However, in the second half we went back to our game plan and won 7-4.

### Thursday's Tournament

This year's touch tournament promised to be both exciting and challenging for our boys with 5 pool games before hitting the Semi's. Our first game against TKKM Mokopuna was straightforward and provided little challenge for the boys as they won 13-1. However, the second game proved a challenge. We came up against the young and improving HIB's side who gave us a real scare in the first half, before we split away and won 4-2. Next up we came up against Naenae and we won 10-1. The final two pool games were against Paraparaumu and Taita which we won convincingly. We finished top of our pool and meet HVHS in the semi. This game was extremely tight, unfortunately the whistle seemed to go against us with penalties and a few errors on final plays. In the end we prevailed 7-6 but it was extremely tight. This



means we had achieved our first goal of attending Regionals again and put us against Silverstream. The final was played at a frenetic pace and we kept up with Stream for the majority of the game, sadly, towards the end, they took what proved to be an unassailable lead, at 6-4 and we could not capitalise on our chances to draw the game. The boys played extremely well throughout the tournament and represented the college with pride.

### Golf

Division 1 team of Daniel Searle and Joshua Furjes-Crawshaw had a very good game against St Pats Silverstream 1, beating them by 5 stableford points (Final results 42 – 37 to SBC)

Division 2 won by default against HIBS 2 who failed to show for this fixture.

### Softball

St Bernard's Softball team played against HIBS in the first round of the College Sport Wellington Competition. Unfortunately we went down 2-4. There were positives to come out of the game and will continue to train hard as we work towards Division 2 Nationals to be held at Fraser Park later in March. This Friday we play St Pat's Silverstream.

Congratulations to Jono Little and Dallas Clifton on being selected in the NZ Under 15 softball development squad



### Water Polo

SBC's Senior Water polo team played their latest game against Palmerston North Boys High School at Huia Pool on Thursday evening, in front of a large group of supporters (parents and several SBC students). The noise supporting the team was awesome thanks.

This was another tense close game from the start. The score was 2 all at the end of the 1st quarter, but we were one behind at half time (3 goals to 4), and then we failed to score in the third quarter (PNBHS scored a further goal, leaving us 3 goals to 5 behind). The last quarter was frenetic as the ball and players swept up and down the pool. We scored twice to level it at 5 all, and then PNBHS scored again. We set up the last play and scored again with just a few seconds left to draw the game 6 all.

Goals were scored by Jack Charleton (2), Braden Longstaff, George Barr-Brown, Paddy Roberts and Matt Quin (the equaliser). Eight players in all tried to score but had their shoots saved. SBC's goalie Sam Taylor made 15 saves in all, keeping us in the game.

### Futsal

The first team had a disappointing game against HVHS losing 4-3. The boys played with determination and passion but couldn't get the desired result to continue their winning streak. As always, Braden did an amazing job in goal.

Better luck next week. 3 – Braden, 2 – Caleb, 1 - Tom

The second team had a more convincing win 9-6 over Naenae.

Good team work, passing and talking pulled the team through. 3- Eli, 2- Jet, 1- Darrel

### Volleyball

SBC	vs	Upper Hutt College
Set 1	25	14
Set 2:	25	15
Set 3	25	8
<b>Winner</b>	<b>SBC 3– 0</b>	

Our game on Friday was against Upper Hutt College and a comfortable victory for us. To date we are sitting on a 4 win, 1 loss record in the competition as the boys continue to grow and develop as a team.

Next Friday/Saturday we attend Regionals at the ASB Arena.

Bring your whanau along to support our boys.



## Cricket

1<sup>st</sup> XI played Wellington College 5 at St Bernard's. Having won the toss put the opposition into bat we started well and had the top order out cheaply. Mistakes in the field and a lack of intensity mixed in with some good gritty batting from the opposition, allowed them to post a competitive total of 166. Tom Gillett was the best of the bowlers taking 4 wickets and he was well supported by Brandon Faatau and Regan McGee. Nick Marra took the catch of the season and one that would make any highlights real.

Our batting innings started poorly with our openers out in the first 2 overs and we never really recovered. Brandon Faatau once again stood out with a steely well fought innings. His maturity and discipline is an example for all to follow.

Execution was not great in this game. However if our enthusiasm and discipline were at the required level, the opposition would have been overcome. This is another game we let slip away and we were beaten by a better team on the day.

St Bernard's 2nd XI played away to St Pat's Town 3rd XI in Rongotai. St Pat's won the toss and elected to bat first, batting the full 50 overs and finishing on 277/9 with William Eastham taking 3/34 runs off 7 overs. St Bernard's in turn were all out for 117 off 19.1 overs with Josh Payne top scoring with 29 runs. Outstanding performer was William Eastham taking 3/34 and contributing 26 runs.

The junior boy's cricket team played at home on Saturday against Kapiti in perfect conditions for players and spectators alike. While the pitch was a little low and slow along with a lush outfield boundaries were few. Kapiti batted first and scored 100 off 37 overs, their innings ending courtesy of a long range run out by Josh Carey.

The run chase started with a solid opening partnership between Josh Graham and Zac Dorward and then the job was finished by Josh Carey scoring 35 and the team winning by 5 wickets with 101/5 off 25 overs.

We are very appreciative of parents coming along and supporting the boys when they can, and game-day assistance is also much appreciated.

"Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence win championships."

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