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## SPORTS REPORT

9 June 2023

### S1 and S2 Girls' Cricket Match (v Medina College), Newclose Cricket Club, Wednesday 7 June

#### Team:

S1: Adelyn, Bella, Millie, Melaina, Lilly

S2: Bluebell (C), Nina, Caris, Daisy, Jess, Millie

**Result:** 66-43 loss

**Report:** The U13 Girls' cricket team had the pleasure of playing a cricket fixture against Medina College at Newclose Cricket Club on Wednesday 7 June. The team all commented on how lovely the grounds were and how grateful they were to be able to play there.

The team fielded first and had a discussion about where they should place their fielders. Lilly took the wicket and Nina stepped up to bowl the first over, getting us off to a great start with accurate and powerful bowling.

The team worked well in the field and Melaina, Millie W, Lilly and Bluebell all stepped up to bowl and showed incredible bowling skills; Lilly even hit the wickets more than once.

The fielding team communicated well and worked really hard to stop the ball from crossing the boundary and conceding runs. They only managed to let one ball slip past them, and Millie H, Jess and Daisy all chased after balls to stop them. Bella stood close to the stumps, managing to stop balls short and feed them straight back to the bowler. Overall, the team's fielding was very impressive, and they looked to be in with a good chance of winning.

The team then stepped up to bat with Jess and Bluebell in first. Jess started off strong, striking the ball well and retiring at 15 runs. Millie W was up next, and Bluebell and Millie continued with a strong run rate, with their confidence increasing with each bat. Bluebell was then bowled out and in stepped Caris. Caris really understood the need for batters to communicate, calling 'Run' or 'Don't' whenever necessary. The pair worked well together and confidently ran on many balls. Millie then retired and in stepped Lilly.

After settling in at the wicket, Lilly hit several amazing balls. Caris retired and in stepped Nina. Lilly and Nina worked well as a pair and took some risks with their running, which paid off and we started to gain more runs.

Lilly was bowled out and in stepped Daisy. Daisy and Nina were quick between the wickets and we gained a lot of runs. Nina retired and it was Melaina's turn. Melaina was not very confident in her batting ability but surprised us all with strong batting and running. Daisy then retired and Adelyn stepped up. Again, Adelyn was not very confident in her batting, but she should have been! Adelyn made some great hits and gained many runs for us.

Melaina was bowled out and up came Bella. Bella and Adelyn worked well to communicate runs and took lots of risks which really helped. Adelyn then retired and our last batter, Millie H was in.

Bella and Millie took every risk possible as they batted for the last over. They managed to gain a number of runs, but unfortunately Millie was bowled out and we could not catch Medina.

Despite the loss, the team should be very proud of their game. Well done to everyone.

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### **Y5 Mixed Cricket Match (v Newchurch Primary), Arreton Cricket Ground, Thursday 8 June**

**Team:**

Y5: Isla, Evie, Marley, Theo, Felicity, Georgia, Edinburgh, Huxley

**Result:** 96-52 loss

**Report:** Last Thursday, this mixed Year 5 team took on Newchurch Primary School at Arreton Cricket Ground. This was their first game, and it took them some time to get used to playing on a proper wicket with a boundary. Newchurch batted first which meant Priory fielded. Edinburgh got us off to a great start, bowling perfectly, and Evie chased down many balls to stop several 4s. Huxley also made a super catch, while Felicity, Theo and Isla met the ball well from the tee.

It took us some time to get into our batting rhythm but eventually the team got better at communicating, knowing when to run and where to hit the ball when being awarded a free hit. Evie and Georgia batted excellently and helped to bump up the number of runs but it wasn't quite enough on the day. The team played really well and considering it was their first game, it was a great result, especially against a more experienced all-boy team.

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### **Y3 and Y4 Mixed Cricket Match (v Newchurch Primary), Arreton Cricket Ground, Friday 9 June**

**Team:**

Y3: Neave

Y4: Hugo, Libby, Ruby, Asanka, Panda

**Result:** 93-66 loss

**Report:** Last Friday, this Year 3 and 4 team took part in a cricket fixture at Arreton Cricket Ground. Newchurch batted first which meant Priory had to field. Panda had a brilliant innings of bowling ensuring



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no wide balls and the rest of the team covered well. Newchurch did have some strong batters and they were able to capitalise on this when hitting off the tee when a no ball was given.

Priory started off batting strongly with Asanka and Libby scoring runs from every ball bowled. We had a few 4s from Hugo and Ruby, and they batted exceptionally as a pair. Neave did extremely well playing up against a whole team of Year 4 boys. They should all be very proud of themselves as this was a great result for their first game.

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### **Sports Star Awards:**

It has been a quiet week for the Sports Department due to GCSE and A Level examinations. So as not to disrupt examination preparation or the exams themselves, we have been exploring the area around the School. The Seniors have had some very sunny exploratory walks through the fields and woods behind the Church and down to the Folly Inn. The Juniors were lucky enough to have their Games lesson fall in a period of no exams so they were able to play cricket, albeit in very hot conditions.

We have had a couple of fixtures this week so the **Senior Sports Star Award** goes to **Nina Grzybowski**. Despite an initial lack of self belief, Nina batted and bowled very well, and visibly grew in confidence as the game progressed.

The **Junior Sports Star Award** goes to **Hugo Bradley-Brown**, and is also for performance in cricket. Hugo has worked very hard on his practice drills, and in the game he batted several 4s and his fielding was first rate.

More cricket and preparation for Sports Day coming this week!

Mr B