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AROUND THE GROUNDS

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Match Results:

Saturday					Sunday				
AG/Div	Home Team	H	A	Away Team	AG/Div	Home Team	H	A	Away Team
AA/C	Lugarno	1	1	Carlton Rovers	AAW/A	Sans Souci (1)	7	1	Lugarno
AA/D	Lugarno (1)	6	1	Sans Souci	O35/A	Lugarno FC	0	1	Banksia Tigers
AA/D	Carss Park (2)	7	0	Lugarno (2)	PWL/1	Dolls Point	2	0	Lugarno
AA/F	Glory FC	1	0	Lugarno (1)	U16G/B	Kogarah Waratah	1	3	Lugarno FC
AA/F	Lugarno (2)	4	3	Oatley FC					
AA/G	Lugarno	1	1	Forest Rangers (2)					
AA/H	Banksia Tigers	3	3	Lugarno FC					
AAA1/1	Lugarno	1	1	Penshurst West					
AAAR/R	Lugarno	0	1	Penshurst West					
PL1/1	Connells Point	5	2	Lugarno					
PLR/R	Connells Point	5	0	Lugarno					
U12/A	Oatley FC	0	6	Lugarno FC					
U12/B	Bexley North (2)	2	1	Lugarno FC					
U14/A	Connells Point	10	0	Lugarno FC					
U16/B	Lugarno	3	2	Bexley North	Friday				
U17/A	Lugarno FC	1	3	Connells Point (2)	O45/A	Lugarno	3	2	Oatley FC

Match Reports:

7B 2 v Connells Point

POTM: Riley Golesworthy

Game 2 and we're playing away vs Connells Point. The boys were on a high from last week's win and keen to play again this week.

It started off well with the whole team using their ball skills in dribbling and were passing lots too. It was a tight match at the beginning with both sides playing well.

About 10 mins in we had a break with the ball and Samuel dribbled past Connells Point's defence and had a shot on goal and scored!!!

The team were playing well with the likes of Lucas and Riley solid in defense making it difficult for our opponents to pass them.

Ethan was right in the thick of things and was causing problems for the Connells Point team to play their game. Both Leo and Samuel also had a great game with plenty of passing and dribbling past opponents.

Jett was all over the park, in defense and in attack and did well with passing to his team.

Connells Point then stepped it up a gear and scored a goal at the end of the first half and a couple more in the second. Although the score didn't do us justice the boys played really well and I was happy with their performance.

Another job well done!!



7B 3 v Connells Point

POTM: Aidan

We had a full team of 7 to take on Connells Pt this weekend at Poulton Park.

We were quick out of the gates thanks to some strong early work and goals from Zach L. The player of the week Aidan also came to play in a big way, with some crucial touches and narrow misses. Connell's then mounted a brief resurgence, claiming a few goals of their own. But... our boys were up to the challenge with Jarvis and Hunter combining on several occasions to further extend the lead.

Lucian starred in the second half with control, skill and poise to help set up a few more goals. Boyley was aggressive throughout as well, and he was rewarded with a classy goal of his own... Sam was also heavily involved, and in the 2nd half he starred as an impenetrable defender at the back. One of our last goals was built from a play where all 4 players passed the ball to create the opportunity... which was telling of the work the boys have been putting in at training. With several different scorers, excellent defense, some positive passing and an overall positive vibe... I would say after 2 and a bit years, that was our most polished overall team game.

8B 1 v Forest Rangers

POTM: Leni

In our round 2 match this week we versed Forest Rangers. With school holidays just starting we were short players but thankfully had some help from little legends Chelsea, Lilly and Jett this weekend!

It was a great game this weekend with everyone putting in 100% - we had some great savings in goals by Elijah and Jackson and great play on the field from Leni and Victoria. Luca and Kale were fantastic running and chasing after the ball with both having great runs up the field towards Rangers goal! Elizabeth was also on fire and did not hesitate with some great kicks against the boys. Jett was our Mr Determination this week, just wanting to play at all times, and finally Lilly and Chelsea our little rockstars who wouldn't give up against the boys!

We had a great goal from Elijah that even surprised the spectators – IT WAS AWESOME!!



This week's Player of the Match went to our little Energizer Bunny in her first year of soccer who DOES NOT STOP! Little Miss Leni always gives 110% and doesn't stop even if she loses the ball! Excellent work Leni!

A great game by all and thanks to our little helpers in this weekend's game.

98 2 v 9B 3

POTM: Harley

A super hot day but the team ran hard, Emerson threatened the goal and Eloise was keen as mustard to chase the ball.

Harley was strong at the back and lived up to his big boot reputation with some great goal kicks, taking out player of the match. Miles and Zoe ran like hares all over the pitch and Hugh and Ashton contributed strongly in the middle with Emma having some great moments.

Saturday 7th April



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Oli and Charlie must have been training in the off season as they have returned with focus and a great improvement in play.

Let's focus on positions and ball skills in training and we will continue to improve.

98 2 v Hurstville Minotaurs

POTM: Eloise

Great improvement this week, we started to stay in positions and pass the ball with terrific results.

The ball seemed to be glued to Eloise's foot as she dazzled with some great turns and tackles, taking out player of the match. Hugh and Ash must not have had breakfast they were so hungry for the ball with some monster shots on goal.

Miles was disappointed with being quiet in goal, but Emma, Charlie and Harley kept everything away in the first half, Emma was on overtime in half two at times holding the back on her own.

Oli was focused throughout the game and with Zoe gave us a strong midfield. Emerson was thinking all the time and with Miles in the second half gave us some great shape up front.

Looks like a great season ahead, keep trying hard at training and listening to George and we will continue to play well.



10B 1 v Forest Rangers

Goal Scorers: Charlie 2 / Josh 1 / Oska 1 / Malachi 1

Another gorgeous morning of Sydney weather and opponents Forest Rangers blissfully unaware of what lay before them.

Within the first 5 minutes, Michael scores the first goal.

After that it felt like they just kept on coming. Shortly after, Josh scores two in succession to make it to 3-0.

We continue to support each other and pass beautifully, Tristan scores the fourth and final goal for the first half... but not the final goals for the game. Look out!

Second half Charlie scores three in a row! Michael boots another.

Followed then by a brilliant goal into the corner by Abbie.

Another two by Michael to close...

Thank you to Emma from 10B2 for helping us out this week.



10B 2 v Forest Rangers

POTM: Daisy

Today was the local derby again against Forest Rangers at Gannons, and our first game of season 2018 as we had a bye for our first game. We went into the game with Anika and Zoe missing, however managed to get a few ring-ins from the other teams. You could tell the kids were raring to go for their first game - no doubt excited by the big new field they got to play on!

The team started off really well, putting some nice passes together and creating a few good opportunities up front. It was a tight game in the first half, and thanks to some good defending and good saves from our keeper, we were able to keep them from scoring for most of the first half. Only a simple error gave them the lead with a soft goal, but we managed to hit back with our import from Roma, Samuel, who managed to chase on to a through ball from midfield, and scoop it over the keeper for our first goal of the season! We also made some fantastic runs through midfield, showing that our dribbling practice at training was paying off!

Following some inspirational speeches from our coaches, and some finely cut oranges, the team came out again strongly in the second half, and continued to put pressure on the opposition throughout the game. It was nail biting stuff, and we again went down due to some sloppy defending. But we again managed to hit back with another fantastic strike from Samuel, who scored his second goal for the game. It was a great shot to the corner the beat the keeper, and put us level at 2-2.

We had a few more chances on goal that could have put us ahead, but were denied by some rushed finishing - we will be doing shooting practice at training this week! Unfortunately the kids started to tire, as they were not used to such a big field. This led to some tired legs and unfortunately we gave away 2 goals right at the end of the game, resulting in a 4-2 loss for our first game of the season.

The coaches comments for each player:

Zoe - we missed her presence on the field and hopefully she recovers soon from her foot injury.

Yushra - was only able to be there for the first half, but following on from her form for last year, she made some great tackles and was really strong in defence.

Daisy - probably the best game she has ever played in her entire soccer career. One fantastic run down the line in the first half in particular had half of Columbia screaming for her to score!

Emma - has moved into the midfield for the first time in her career and played exceptionally well. She made a brilliant run in the first half, beating a couple of defenders along the way and shooting with her weaker left foot, which was just saved by the keeper. Ran all game in defence and attack which made her coaches proud.

Anika - missing in action, but hopefully is inspired by the Commonwealth games when she returns next week.

Aydin M - made his debut today in soccer, but honestly you would have thought he had been playing for years. Tough as nails, he copped a ball square in the face and but just kept going. Second half he went in goals and made some great saves also.

Ari - another debut player, he did really well for his first game. He ran his lungs out and tried to get involved in everything. Keep up the good work at training and he will scoring a few goals in no time.

Bailey - welcome back! After a year away playing league, he has come back to the greatest game, with a notable toughness in his approach. He never gave up and made some fantastic saves in goals in the first half, and some vital defensive tackles in the second. Now where is your sister.....

Aydon W - another debut player for the club, Aydon did really well for his first game. We deployed him in the right midfield position, and he made some good tackles and gave some good passes. Keep up the good work.

Adrian - the surprise package today, Adrian started in the centre of defence and was very strong for us at the back. He also made a few good runs from defence which turned us on the attack, so great effort for today.

Samuel - What a fantastic effort in scoring 2 excellent goals - he was obviously watching the Roma match with his dad during the week! Well done in playing an excellent strikers game!

Charlie - Chop was chomping at the bit to get on the field, so eventually i had to let him off the leash. He played fantastically well up front, and setup some great scoring opportunities for us.

Josh - fantastic skills for a kid his age, he was bamboozling the defence whenever he got on the park.

Billy - excellent work in midfield, he ran all game and was strong in both attack and defence.

Our player of the match was Daisy, who received the McDonald's award for today with the best game I have ever seen her play. She made some fantastic runs and was involved in everything.

Whatever you did before the game, make sure you do it again for next week 😊

And special mention to Samuel, Charlie, Josh and Billy for helping us out when we were short of troops - you all played fantastically well and we appreciated the support, so thank you!

Great work 10B2's - fantastic effort from all players. Even though we didn't get the result, your coaches were extremely proud of your efforts, and we are looking forward to the season ahead!

PWL v Dolls Point

Lost 0 – 2

Extremely windy conditions for our match at Memorial Park this weekend. Coming up against last year's minor premiers was a difficult task for the 90 minute clash, as it was evident Dolls Point are certainly on a mission to make amends after losing to Banksia in last year's Grand Final.

The first half was a strong display from both sides as we were determined to reach the back of the net in terrible conditions.

The team really stuck together throughout the entire game. However, the second half saw us come up short when Dolls Point made a successful break and went 1-0 up. They quickly reformed and slotted another.

The score today unfortunately was not a reflection of how the team performed overall, however was a great learning experience for us as we look to improve for next week's game against Arncliffe Scots.

Great game girls despite terrible hot and windy conditions.