

# TARARUA COLLEGE

SPORTS



## A Week of Sport - 17 August 2020

Due to COVID restrictions, Our Week of Sport is short this week. Basketball, Rugby and Netball didn't play, and our Girls' Football team had a bye.

We are back to normal (well as normal as we can be) with games playing this week, but we have a lot of guidelines to follow. Please support us in implementing these.

The Manawatu Cross Country has been postponed, a date for this has not yet been confirmed.

### **Senior Boys' Basketball – Masterton League**

The boys continue to do well in this league. The teams are very competitive and most of the games are close and go down to the wire.

Last week (5th August) we played Kuranui A. The team had some familiar faces and spirits were high. Right throughout the game, the score was close, the score was tied on and off throughout the entire second half. With 90 seconds to go, we were 3 points up, and both teams were pretty exhausted. Kuranui snuck a rebound, and scored, leaving us only 1 point up, with 30 seconds to go. It was a tussle right to the end and Tai literally wrapped himself around the ball for the last 3 seconds until the buzzer went.

We were absolutely stoked to come away with the win and the pizza tasted particularly delicious on the way home.

This week just been (12th August), we played Chanel College. With Palmerston North Basketball and Rugby both not

going ahead this week, it was great to have the YMCA pull out all stops and work so hard to allow the Masterton league to continue (at least while we remain in Level 2).

A huge thank you to them, especially Nicole, for this, the boys really appreciated being able to play, and we had a couple of spectators cheering us on (thank you Logan and Sophie!!).

This was another great game, the first quarter was pretty close, we stayed ahead for most of it although at times we were only one point in front. The second 10 minutes was just as tight, and at the end of the half we were down 29-30.

The boys called on a great tight defence and concentrated on good passes, incredible rebounds, and with 10 minutes to go, had turned it around to be up 45-38. We started with only one sub, and with an injury in the last 5 minutes, we had no subs, the boys were giving it their all. Digging deep and working hard the full time score was a win 54-42.

Next week we play Waicol A's. This will be the hardest game of the league as WaiCol are also undefeated and have some huge win margins.

I am incredibly proud of this team. The enthusiasm, team spirit and support they show each other is what sport is all about. The officials constantly comment on how nice it is to have us in the league and how lovely our boys are!!! Last night in particular, the coach of the Chanel team came up to me and said what a great team they were, and how well they had played.

## Girls' Hockey

Our Hockey Girls had a very hard game on Thursday against St Peter's College. The opposition scored two early goals in the first quarter which took our girls awhile to bounce back from. We finally scored after some hard attacks with the final score being 1 - 3 to St Peters. It now makes us 4th on the table. We will need to keep this position to make the semi-finals later in September. Players of the day went to Abby Bailey and Lily McLeod.



## Boys' Hockey

The last two weeks have seen two very different games, with the boys playing both the bottom, and top of the table. A fantastic win of 9-1 over PNBHS 4ths gave the team confidence, and they were able to consolidate what they'd learnt at training.

They went on to play PNBHS 2nd XI who are top of the table, the boys fought hard and worked together as a team, and kept them to 1-5. Whilst this was a loss, it felt like a win against a very sharp side. Well done boys for showing great fortitude.

