

Sports Report 05/05/2025

U14 Rounders v GSAL

Gateways 6.5 v 6 GSAL

Gateways 5 v 8 GSAL



On Thursday, the U14 girls' rounders team faced GSAL in a highly competitive and spirited fixture, playing two full innings of 30 good balls. After a short but focused practice session at school, the team opted to field first in the opening innings.

GSAL started well, scoring a couple of quick rounders early on. However, once our players settled into their positions, they demonstrated better spatial awareness and teamwork, closing the gaps and preventing the ball from travelling through the field. This restricted GSAL's ability to score full rounders, forcing them to rely on riskier runs for half rounders.

When it was our turn to bat, the team started cautiously, scoring several half rounders. As confidence built, so did momentum, with the players improving their running between posts and hitting into deeper areas to secure full rounders. This shift in play allowed us to edge ahead, ultimately winning the first innings by just half a rounder in what was an evenly matched contest.

The second innings proved more challenging. Despite our best efforts, we encountered some bad luck, with five of our players being caught or stumped out early. These dismissals were largely the result of sharp and well-coordinated fielding from GSAL, rather than errors from our side. Nevertheless, the girls showed great determination and sportsmanship throughout.

It was a pleasure to see the team play with such energy, competitive spirit, and mutual respect. A special congratulations goes to Neiva H, who was named Player of the Match by the opposition for her outstanding contribution.

Mrs Laura Braithwaite

U15 Rounders v GSAL

Gateways 10.5 - 10.5 GSAL



In a fiercely competitive match against a strong GSAL A team, our rounders squad showed incredible determination and teamwork, resulting in a dramatic 10.5–10.5 draw. The game was neck-and-neck from start to finish, with both sides pushing hard for every point.

Our fielding was exceptional. Liberty, Ella, Chloe, and Eloise made some phenomenal catches, with Eloise particularly dominant at second base — her quick reactions and game awareness slowed GSAL's momentum and stopped numerous half rounders in their tracks. Out in the deep field, Scarlett and Anya were unstoppable, cutting off long balls and firing accurate throws into third and fourth post.

With the bat, Tilly and Amy were on fire, finding gaps and consistently converting chances into full rounders. The team showed growing confidence and tactical maturity, especially in the final phase — taking calculated risks to squeeze out every possible score, pushing us to that final tally of 10.5.

Player of the Match went to Liberty for her rock-solid fielding on fourth post and dependable batting under pressure. An outstanding all-round performance from the whole squad — showing grit, growth, and real team spirit!

Mrs Hannah Nichol

Boys' Cricket



The U15 boys continued their match preparation this week with a strong focus on both bowling and batting. Two open net sessions allowed for maximum time and repetition, giving players the chance to refine their technique and build confidence in both areas.

The session progressed into match-play scenarios, where the focus shifted to running between the wickets, calling clearly for quick singles, and striking the ball cleanly down the ground. There were some excellent displays of intent and power hitting, with several players finding the boundary consistently.

A positive session all round, with great energy and commitment shown throughout.

Mr Tom Davidson

Sixth Form Padel



As part of the Sixth Form Games provision, a group of Sixth Form girls participated in a lively and competitive padel session at Wetherby on Wednesday. The players demonstrated a broad range of experience and familiarity with the sport, yet this did not diminish the competitive spirit and enthusiasm on display throughout the afternoon.

Despite some being new to the game, there was a clear willingness among all participants to engage fully and challenge themselves. I observed several excellent rallies that reflected growing confidence and coordination. Notably, some players began to experiment with using the walls – a key tactical element in padel – indicating both curiosity and a developing understanding of the game.

It was also encouraging to see an improvement in positioning and shot selection as the session progressed. There was a marked decrease in ball retrieval from other courts! Overall, the session was energetic, enjoyable, and marked by positive progression. I look forward to taking these girls to Padel in the near future.

Mrs Laura Braithwaite