SPC Sport Report – Term 1, Week 2

Welcome back

Hello to all and welcome back to the 2021 school year. It has been great to see all the students return eager to participate in Term 1 BAS and House Sport (and their studies of course!). The morning notices will be full of sport information (key dates, meeting times etc.) over the coming days.

In January, our annual rowing camps were held for Junior, Intermediate and Senior crews. I would like to thank Brendan Scott, coaches and the parents for all their help and organisation. The crews are looking strong and have already competed in regattas in the lead up to the Head of the Lake, which is on Friday, February 19.

Term 1 Sport

The majority of Ballarat Associated Schools (BAS) competition sports for Term 1 commence in week three. Students need to ensure that they listen to the morning messages and attend meetings so that they are organised know where they need to be. Always communicate with your coaches if you are unavailable or for general inquiries. Students can communicate with their coach via email or MS Teams.

SPORT	DAY	START WEEK	COACH/MANAGER
Lawn Bowls	Mon	3	Clare Kavanagh / Fiona Purcell
Intermediate Tennis	Tue	3	Peter Ryan/Tom Ferguson
Swimming Squad/BAS Swimming	Tue	3	Louise Macquire/Mark Stahl
Junior Cricket (Yr 7/8) Dual pitch	Tues	3	Luke Corden/Mitch Leviston/Mike Kent/Gerry Willis/Brendan McCarthy
Junior Baseball	Wed	3	Shane Murphy
Senior Volleyball	Wed	3	Daniel Sutton
SPC House Soccer	Wed	3	Barry Schurrs/ Pietro Angeli/ /Emmanuel Desfosses/ Brett Earl
3rd XI Cricket	Weds	3	Shane Armstrong
Senior Tennis (1st's & 2nd's)	Fri	2	Liam Young/Joe Magee
2nd XI Cricket	Thur	2	Michael Busscher
1st XI Cricket	Fri	3	Steve Biggin
Senior Golf (BAS Championships/ AGSV day)	Varies	-	Chris Gleeson/John Davey

There are plenty of opportunities for all year levels and abilities. The Junior House Sport in particular is a great way for Year 7's to meet new friends, get to know their teachers and participate in a sport they may never have played before.

SPC Athletics

The SPC Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday, March 24 here at the College. The House Assembly will be on Tuesday, February 23. After the completion of the SPC carnival, other BAS Athletics inquiries can be directed to John Richards (Coordinator of Athletics) or myself. Please note that the BAS Athletics Carnival is at Llanberis on Tuesday, May 4.

SPC Swimming

The SPC Swimming Carnival will be held on Wednesday, February 24 at the Eureka Pool. The Junior School carnival will commence at 9:30am with the Middle and Senior School commencing at 11:30pm. In preparation for this, the House Assemblies were held on Tuesday, February 2, where students were able to sign up for events. The BAS Swimming Twilight Carnival will be held on Wednesday, March 10 at the Ballarat Aquatic Centre. Any inquiries regarding swimming please do not hesitate to contact Louise Macquire (Coordinator of Swimming) or myself.

Communication

The best form of communication we have with parent/guardians is via the Parent Access Module (PAM). Students require permission to participate in all sport. Parent/guardians will receive the information through a PAM activity permission. Please ensure that you read the information prior to giving permission and that you also talk to students about the information.

The daily messages are one of the best ways we can distribute information to students about sports that are on offer and where sign up meetings will be held. Students should check the daily messages regularly.

Once students have signed up for a sport, we will be adding them into a MS Teams group where they can communicate directly with their coach. Students must communicate with their coach if they are unavailable for a match so we can find a replacement to ensure we have a full team for each match.

If students are unsure of how to sign up for a sport or want more information, they can visit sports staff in the gymnasium.

SPC Sport Uniform

All sport uniforms can be purchased at the College Shop. Students need to ensure they are in the correct uniform to participate. The general sport uniform is the navy blue polo top, navy shorts and white socks. Certain sports will require very specific clothing e.g. 1st XI Cricketers require SPC Whites, SPC cricket shirt and SPC cricket cap. Students should check with their coach as to what is required. Also remember to wear sunscreen at all times.

I wish all students and coaches the best in 2021. Always play the game in the right spirit, wear the correct uniform and respect the facilities, home and away. St Patrick's College is steeped in sporting tradition and you are encouraged to add more chapters to our past endeavours.

Please do not hesitate to contact me (tbenoit@stpats.vic.edu.au) or our Sports Administrator Ms Carly Twaits (ctwaits@stpats.vic.edu.au) at the College with any questions.