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YEAR 6 BOYS FOOTBALL VS ST MICHAEL'S MIDDLE SCHOOL

It was a game that tested our resolve, but we came out on top with a hard-fought 4-3 win. From start to finish, it was clear that St. Michael's were a formidable opponent, pushing us to our limits and making us fight for every inch on the pitch. Despite the challenges, we played some really good football and showed true determination to keep pushing forward.

The highlight of the match for the team came in the dying seconds, when Lockyer's scored the winning goal. It was an absolute moment of brilliance and a perfect culmination of the effort and grit we displayed throughout the game. For me personally, my highlight was assisting that crucial last-minute goal—a moment I'll cherish. The feeling of helping my teammate get on the scoresheet to secure the win was incredibly rewarding, and to top it off, I was honoured to be voted Star of the Day by my teammates.

What truly stood out was our spirit as a team. We never gave up, battling to the very end and always looking for ways to secure the win. After the final whistle, we made sure to shake every opponent's hand, acknowledging their efforts and respecting the great game they gave us.

Throughout the match, our ambition was clear—we were always looking to try our very best. It was a team effort, with every player giving their all. Lockyer's players were exceptional, and it was that collective effort that led us to overcome a very tough St. Michael's side. Together, we showed what it means to never stop fighting, always looking for the next opportunity and ultimately coming out victorious.

Report written by Star of the Day Archie C and edited by Mr. Greensmith



YEAR 5 & 6 GIRLS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT AT EMMANUEL MIDDLE SCHOOL

On the 20th of November, our Year 5 & 6 girls' football team traveled to Emmanuel Middle School to take part in a competitive tournament. The team faced some tough opponents but gave it their all in every match, showcasing their determination and school values throughout the day.

The highlight of the tournament came when the team scored a brilliant goal, a moment that lifted spirits and demonstrated their hard work paying off.

Despite the challenges, the players showed *respect* by shaking hands and congratulating the opposing teams after each match.

The girls displayed great *courage*, refusing to give up or let setbacks affect their focus. They remained positive and continued to encourage one another, even when the matches were tough. Their *ambition* shone through as they kept pushing forward, determined to keep improving and supporting one another, no matter the scoreline. One of the team's favourite memories was the journey to the event on the minibus, where they bonded as a group and enjoyed the experience together. While tackling the opposition was a challenge, especially against speedy players, the team refused to back down and played with great resilience.

We are incredibly proud of their efforts and teamwork throughout the tournament. Keep it up, girls!

Report written by Star of the Day Georgia H. and edited by Mr. Joyce.



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YEAR 7 BOYS DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT AT ST EDWARD'S SCHOOL

Our Year 7 boys' dodgeball team recently participated in an exciting new competition created within the PEDSSA community, held at St Edward's School. Competing against teams from St Edward's, St Michael's Middle, and Emmanuel Middle in a challenging group stage, the boys rose to the occasion with determination and teamwork.

The team demonstrated respect throughout the tournament, supporting one another and their opponents in this competitive yet friendly environment. They maintained excellent sportsmanship while engaging in high-intensity matches.

Their courage was evident in every game, as they faced some tough opponents with confidence and resilience. Even under pressure, the boys held their nerve and performed admirably in all their matches. The team's ambition shone brightly as they dominated on the court with outstanding teamwork and tactical play. Their hard work and competitive edge earned them a well-deserved 2nd place finish overall, showcasing their skill and potential in this exciting new sport.

We are incredibly proud of the boys' efforts and look forward to seeing how they continue to grow in future competitions. Well done, Year 7 dodgeball team!

Report edited by Mr. Joyce.

YEAR 8 BOYS DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT AT ST EDWARD'S SCHOOL

Our Year 8 boys' dodgeball team participated in the PEDSSA dodgeball tournament at St Edward's School, competing in a league where all teams were exceptionally closely matched. The intensity of the games created a thrilling atmosphere, culminating in a unique result where three teams, including ours, could not be separated at 1st place!

The boys displayed *respect* throughout the day, congratulating their opponents and maintaining a positive attitude in every match. Their encouragement of each other and their sportsmanship were a credit to Lockyer's Middle School.

In a series of nail-biting matches, the team showed *courage* by stepping up to every challenge with determination and focus. Their resilience in such a competitive environment was inspiring to watch. The boys' *ambition* was evident as they gave their all on the court, fighting for every point and adapting their tactics to stay in the running for top spot. Their hard work and commitment truly paid off in this exciting competition.

We are incredibly proud of the team for their outstanding performance and can't wait to see what they achieve next. Congratulations, Year 8 dodgeball team!

Report edited by Mr. Joyce.



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LOCKYER'S MIDDLE SCHOOL LAUNCHES THE JOIN IN AWARD SCHEME

Lockyer's Middle School Launches the Join In Award Scheme
We are excited to announce the launch of the Join In Award Scheme (JAS) at Lockyer's Middle School! This initiative is designed to inspire students to engage in a variety of activities, develop new skills, and contribute to their school and local community.

The JAS challenges students to complete activities across four key sections:

1. Adventure – Take part in an outdoor activity or adventure experience, such as the Year 6 Okehampton residential or hiking with family on weekends.
2. Skill – Develop or enhance a specific skill, such as playing a musical instrument, cooking, painting, or coding.
3. Community – Engage in acts of service, whether within the school, their families, or the wider community.
4. Physical Activity – Commit to regular physical activities, including sports teams, fitness challenges, or after-school clubs.

Students will track their progress in a personal logbook and work towards one of three levels:

- White Award: 1–2 hours per section (4–8 hours total).
- Green Award: 4–6 hours per section (16–24 hours total).
- Gold Award: 8–12 hours per section (32–48 hours total).

The JAS encourages students to step out of their comfort zones, foster ambition, and build resilience while strengthening their ties to the school community. By completing their awards, students will gain not only a sense of accomplishment but also valuable experiences that will help them in the future.

We can't wait to see our students embrace the challenges of the Join In Award Scheme and celebrate their fantastic achievements. Let's get started, Lockyer's!



YEAR 8 BOYS PEDSSA LEAGUE MATCH VS. POOLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

On the 25th of November, our Year 8 boys took to the field in a challenging PEDSSA League game against a very experienced and skilled Poole Grammar School team. Despite facing setbacks, including injuries and unavailable players, our boys demonstrated exceptional determination, resilience, and team spirit throughout the match.

The opposition teacher took the time to commend our team, sharing how impressed he was with their ability to pull together and give everything they had, despite the difficulty of the game. It was a true testament to the character and heart of our Year 8 players. They played with courage and never gave up, battling until the final whistle.

A special congratulations goes to Alfie, who earned the Star of the Day award for his outstanding performance, leadership, and effort on the pitch. While the result wasn't in our favor, this game was about so much more than the scoreline. The boys represented Lockyer's Middle School with pride and showcased the values we hold dear—respect, ambition, and perseverance.



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YEAR 6 MIXED FOOTBALL CUP MATCH VS. BROADSTONE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Our Year 6 mixed football team took on Broadstone Middle School in a highly competitive cup match. The team gave an exceptional effort, showing determination and teamwork throughout the game. Despite facing strong opponents, they played with great spirit and left everything on the pitch.

It was fantastic to see parents and supporters at the game, offering encouragement and sharing in the pride of our team's performance. Their presence made the event even more special, and we hope every player left feeling proud of their contribution and representation of Lockyer's Middle School.

Congratulations to Bradley, who was named Star of the Day for his brilliant play and leadership on the field. His effort reflected the values of respect, courage, and ambition that we strive to instill in all our students. A big well done to the entire team for their performance—we are proud of your hard work and can't wait to see what you achieve in your upcoming matches!

YEAR 7 BOYS RUGBY VS. OAK ACADEMY

Our Year 7 boys made history, competing in Lockyer's Middle School's first-ever contact rugby match—and what an incredible debut it was! From the moment the team arrived, they impressed, organizing a thorough warm-up with natural leaders emerging across the group. Not only were their efforts recognized by Mr. Joyce, but Oak Academy staff also praised their leadership and preparation. The match itself was nothing short of remarkable. The team took control early, scoring within the first five minutes and maintaining dominance in possession, tackles, and rucks throughout the game. Their teamwork and determination resulted in a fantastic 25-5 victory.

With so many outstanding performances, the Star of the Day award was shared among five players:

- Luke, for his incredible agility and gaining the most meters on the pitch, scoring two tries.
- Will, for his powerful play, consistently breaking defensive lines and also scoring two tries.
- Max SM, for his inspiring leadership, setting the tone for the team both on and off the field.
- Henry G, for his fearless tackling and rucking, preventing numerous scoring opportunities for the opposition.

This was a landmark moment for rugby at Lockyer's Middle School. The Year 7 boys' passion and skill have laid the foundation for an exciting future. We cannot wait to see them in action again in 2025 as they continue to develop and grow!

Report written by Mr N. Joyce



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YEAR 8 BOYS FOOTBALL VS. ST EDWARD'S

After a challenging few games, the Year 8 boys' team turned things around in their league match against St Edward's with a new sense of confidence, composure, and a tactical switch to a 3-5-2 formation. This change came after several training sessions focusing on adapting to new positions and building confidence in possession, and it paid off in a fantastic 2-0 victory.

The team set the tone early, showing purpose and composure with possession, with players stepping up and actively demanding the ball. Johnathan, making his debut as goalkeeper, was exceptional. His calmness at the back, ability to read the game, and some incredible saves were pivotal in achieving the team's first clean sheet of the season. His performance earned him the well-deserved Star of the Day award.

There were also many other standout performances:

- Toby, for his brilliant defensive display, holding the backline steady.
- Layton, for his attacking awareness and ability to create chances.
- Jacob V and Jacob M, for their fantastic combination plays that opened up the opposition's defense.
- Joe, for his relentless threat on the width, consistently troubling the opposition's backline.

This match was a testament to the hard work and adaptability of the team. The new formation and mindset not only helped us take control but also showed our determination to bounce back stronger. Well done to all the players—you've set the standard moving forward!



YEAR 6 FOOTBALL COUNTY CUP

Lockyer's football team faced off against Longfleet in the highly anticipated Round 2 of the County Cup. The team delivered an impressive performance, creating plenty of chances and ultimately winning 6-1.

Though we scored an own goal, it didn't deter us from trying our best. Instead, it fueled our determination to keep pushing forward and showing resilience. Despite this setback, everyone on the team continued to encourage one another, reminding each other to keep their heads up and stay focused on the goal.

The spirit of teamwork and mutual support shone through as we constantly cheered each other on with chants like "Come on Lockyer's!" and "Keep your heads up, boys!" There was no room for negativity when mistakes happened – we focused on supporting each other to do our best.

Our ambition to qualify for the next round of the cup was clear throughout the match, and the determination to secure the win was evident in every play.

Some of the game's standout moments included Noah's incredible goal, which flew into the top corner of the net, and an amazing save I made in goal. I dived to my left, just in time to stop a shot that was heading right next to the post!

With this victory, we now look ahead to the Quarter Finals with excitement and confidence. We can't wait to continue our journey in the County Cup!

Let's keep it up, Lockyer's!

Written by Star of the Day, Harrison P and edited by Mr Greensmith





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YEAR 7 FOOTBALL TEAM MARK 50TH MATCH THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

This match was a significant milestone for Lockyer's Middle School, marking the 50th sports match of the academic year! The Year 7 football team took to the pitch with determination, aiming to continue their impressive form, and they did not disappoint.

The game started positively, but the team initially struggled to convert their opportunities in front of goal. However, a moment of brilliance from Raymond, who set up Luke with a perfectly timed pass, broke the deadlock and made it 1-0. This goal gave the team a much-needed confidence boost, and from that point onward, they dominated the match.

Luke went on to have an outstanding game, completing a hat trick with clinical finishes and earning the Star of the Day award. Freddie added to the scoreline with a fantastic goal on his LMS debut, while goalkeeper Harrison N made several vital saves to ensure the team kept another clean sheet. The defensive solidity and teamwork have been key to the team's success, as they remain unbeaten and yet to concede a goal in two matches.

This was a fantastic performance, showcasing the progress the Year 7 boys have made so far this season. A huge well done to everyone involved, and congratulations on playing with such confidence and resilience. Here's to many more successful matches as we head into 2025!

Report by Mr. N. Joyce

YEAR 7 & 8 GIRLS RUGBY VS OAK

Lockyer's Middle School proudly marked a historic moment yesterday as our Year 7 & 8 Girls Rugby Team played in their first-ever rugby match, taking on Oak Academy's Year 8 girls in a friendly fixture. This game was an exciting step in preparation for the upcoming rugby season and tournaments in 2025.

The match began with an introductory format, transitioning from tag rugby to contact rugby as both teams eased into the game. From the start, Lockyer's girls displayed impressive attacking knowledge and tactics, maintaining dominance in possession and showcasing their understanding of the game.

For much of the match, the score remained 0-0, with both teams demonstrating immense heart, character, and a commitment to the sport. However, when contact rugby was introduced, the game truly came to life. Bay broke the deadlock with a stunning individual performance, bursting through the defensive line not once, but three times, scoring our first tries of the match.

The game opened up into a brilliant spectacle, with both teams playing at a high level. Although the final scoreline read 30-45 to Oak, it was a closely contested match that reflected the spirit of rugby at its finest.

At the end of the match, both teams embraced rugby's culture of camaraderie. Oak Academy named Leyla C as their player of the match, commending her for her outstanding determination, speed, and strength. Continuing Lockyer's tradition, our team voted Alisa as the Star of the Day, recognizing her for her technically perfect tackles that stopped 4 or 5 potential tries.

This was a truly special occasion, and we are incredibly proud of our mixed team for their passion, skill, and sportsmanship. The girls have set a strong foundation for the future of girls' rugby at Lockyer's Middle School, and we cannot wait to see what they achieve in 2025. Report by Mr. N. Joyce



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YEAR 7 BOYS FOOTBALL: A RESILIENT VICTORY AGAINST BROADSTONE MIDDLE

Our Year 7 boys' football team put in a fantastic performance in their league game against Broadstone Middle School. On a very challenging and bumpy pitch, the team demonstrated exceptional determination and teamwork throughout the match.

The game was tightly contested, with Broadstone breaking the deadlock and scoring the first goal. However, Lockyers showed incredible resilience, responding almost immediately from the restart with a well-worked goal. From that point on, the match became a brilliant display of tactical football, with both teams battling hard for control.

As the game progressed, Lockyers took their chances and managed to score the decisive goal, securing a well-deserved 2-1 victory. The boys' hard work, composure, and grit were clear for all to see.

The team couldn't decide on a single Star of the Day—a testament to how well everyone played. Special mentions went to Raymond, Luke, Will, Ethan, Enzo, Elwood, and Harrison, all of whom contributed significantly to the team's success.

A massive well done to all the players for their efforts and teamwork. This result highlights their progress and the strong bond they've developed as a team. We look forward to seeing what's next for this talented group!

Report written by Mr. Joyce



BREAKING NEWS

UPCOMING CLUBS – JANUARY 2025

We're excited to kick off the new year with an amazing lineup of clubs and activities for our students! Here's what's on offer:

- Monday Afterschool: Girls Football with Mrs. Capper – Open to all year groups.
- Wednesday Afterschool: Hockey for Years 7 & 8 with Mrs. Capper.
- Thursday Afterschool:
 - Years 5 & 6 Rugby with Oakmedians RFU.
 - Years 7 & 8 Girls Rugby with Oakmedians RFU.

Additionally, we're introducing the Join In Award Scheme (JAS) Lunch Support Club, offering students the chance to log hours and progress through their JAS levels while supporting school initiatives.

Come along, get involved, and start 2025 with a bang!

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KS2 GYMNASTICS SHOWCASE: A FESTIVE SPECTACLE LED BY YEAR 8 SPORTS LEADERS

The KS2 Gymnastics Showcase was a fantastic celebration of talent, teamwork, and creativity, all wrapped up in a festive theme. Our Year 8 Sports Leaders took the reins, choreographing a spectacular Christmas routine that captivated the audience and showcased the hard work of our KS2 students.

The routine was a perfect blend of gymnastics skills, including balances, rolls, and coordinated sequences, all brought together with festive music and holiday spirit. The Year 8 leaders displayed excellent leadership, guiding and encouraging the younger students through rehearsals to ensure everyone performed with confidence and enthusiasm on the big day.

The showcase was a true celebration of the progress our students have made, with each participant demonstrating their growing ability and love for gymnastics. A special thank you to our Year 8 Sports Leaders for their creativity, leadership, and commitment in making this event such a success.

Well done to all involved—you truly brought Christmas cheer to the gym floor!

Report written by Mr. Joyce

A MESSAGE FROM MR. JOYCE

As we reach the end of the term, I want to take a moment to say how incredibly proud I am of all our Lockyer's Middle School representatives. Whether you've been competing in tournaments, leading activities, or simply showing up with enthusiasm and dedication, you've made this term truly special. Your hard work, team spirit, and commitment to our core values have been nothing short of inspiring, and you should all be very proud of what you've achieved so far this academic year.

I hope you all have a wonderful, restful Christmas break filled with joy and time to recharge. I'm excited for what's to come in 2025, and I look forward to continuing our journey together as we take on new challenges and adventures in the year ahead.

Enjoy the holidays, and I'll see you all in the new year!

— Mr. Joyce

