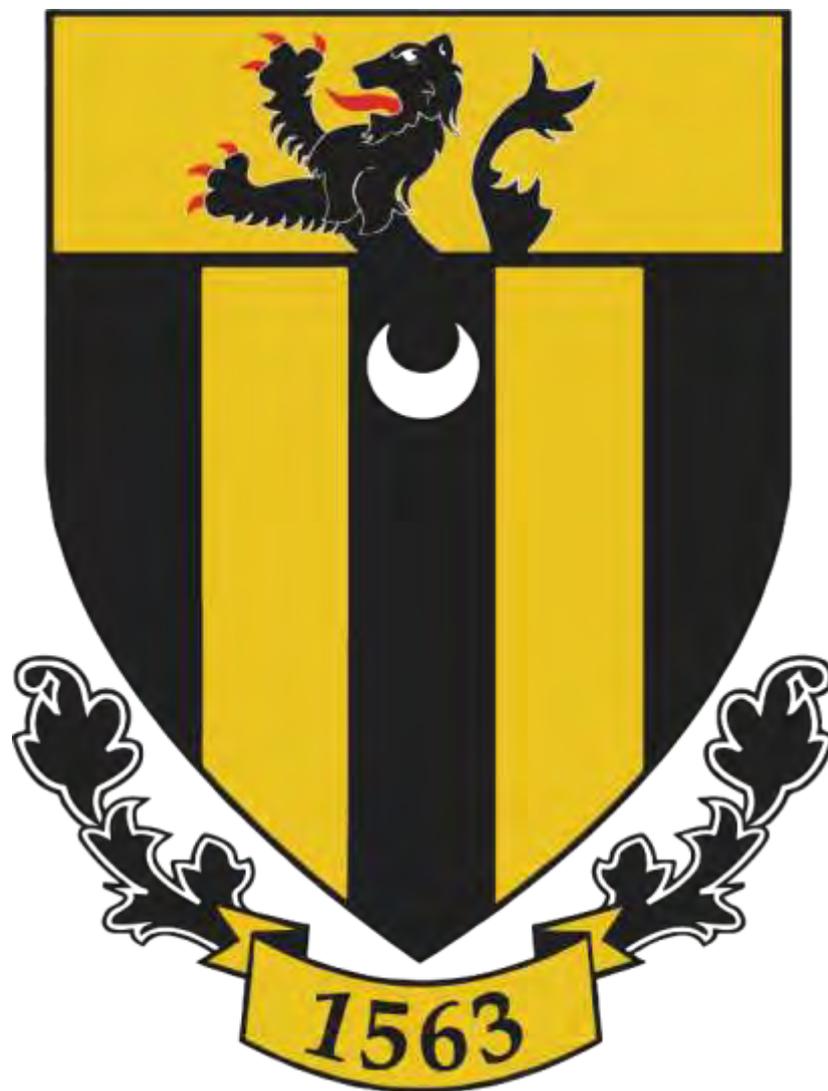


Sir Roger Manwood's School



Autumn Term 2019

PE Newsletter

Boys Rugby End of Season Reports - Autumn 2019

U12 Rugby

The boys this year performed very well even though the majority of the team had limited time to learn a completely new sport. Everyone developed a lot during the season. By the end of the term we were playing very good rugby, all the boys involved should be proud of themselves. Even though some of the results didn't go our way we put up a fight right to the end of every match. The highlights of the term were a heavy win over Herne bay high and a convincing win over a strong Kent College. We very nearly beat Chatham and Clarendon but the end resulted in a 4-4 draw. This happened again with Duke of York's ending with a 5-5 draw. The boys performed exceptionally well against a very good and very experienced Dover Boys Grammar, we got off to a good start but Dover came back. The end result was unfortunately 5-4 to them. I hope all the boys involved enjoyed playing this term and will continue playing.

Written by Jonny Irwin (Captain)



U13 Rugby

On the first training session back, I was amazed by how much better everyone had gotten over the past year. Each player was much more focused on rugby. The team had also become much more physical.

When the first game arrived against Duke of York's military school, I knew we were in for a tough game. When the whistle blew, and the other team kicked to us, our team responded with big runs tearing through the line. Unfortunately, even playing so well, we lost 9-4. I think everyone, including the opposition, was surprised about how well we played compared to last season, meaning that our team spirit shot up.

Chatham and Clarendon was our next game. Knowing that this team had many people who played for strong teams outside of school, we knew that out of all our games this was going to be hardest. After a very defensive first half we were 3-0 down. When the second half arrived, we decided it was our turn to attack. With a big push we managed to get 6 tries. However, we were still 2 tries short of victory. This was still a massive effort from Manwoods.

We won our first our first game against Herne Bay High. This kept our chins up for the next game against Oakwood park. Another win for Manwoods!

When we played against Norton Knatchbull it was our closest game with a 4-3 win. Again, this was a massive effort from the Manwoods boys as those Norton Knatchbull lads were huge!

Overall I think it was a very successful season, with all players within the team stepping up their effort and desire! Well done!

Written by Finley Wilson (Captain)



U14 Rugby

This season has been mixed for the U14s and filled with some amazing moments. A three game winning streak against Oakland Park, Herne Bay High and Kent College was testament to the high levels of effort put in by the boys. Charlie Holroyd scoring his first try for the school was one of the most memorable experiences of the season. A 32-17 win at Kent College stood out this season and beating the local rivals meant a lot to the boys. William Symes, Alfie Pearce, Elijah Odukoya, Harry Laslett, Charlie Holroyd and Henry Carruthers all registered points this season, but wouldn't have done so without the control of the game displayed by Jake Smith at Scrum-Half and the dancing feet of Josh Kitson at Fullback.

The boys put in a lot of effort this season and the results did follow. I hope we can keep up this momentum next season and throughout our time at Manwoods.

Written by Henry Carruthers (Captain)



U15 Rugby

The U15's played 8 matches this season, winning 3 of them. A small squad meant that unavailability towards the end of the season led to the cancellation of 2 fixtures. However, the boys played some very competitive rugby and enjoyed some close matches, including narrow defeats against Dover Boys (17-24), Duke of York's (22-29) and Oakwood Park (19-26). Deserved victories came against Folkestone Academy (68-29), Kent College (12-10) and Chatham & Clarendon (27-14).

Written by Mr Pearce



Senior Rugby

The Manwoods first XV rugby team have had a difficult season but started strong, winning one of three periods of rugby against King's Rochester away before smashing Kent College 59-0 at home. Despite vastly improving performances with each game and some second-half-wins, a pair of defeats to Duke of York's and 3 losses at the State Boarding Schools competition began a further string of defeats to strong sides including St Lawrence College, Chatham and Clarendon and Simon Langton 2nd team academy. The penultimate game ended as another win against Kent College seeing the boys drive home a 50-12 scoreline, but the final game for the Year 13s appeared at home against fierce rivals Dover Boys who clinched victory in the dying minutes leaving the score 14-19. An extra friendly was added to the end of the season, with year 10s bolstering the year 11s and 12s to help them to another home victory, this time against Herne Bay High, and also thanks to some incredible coaching. Exceptional players throughout the season include Mufti Richardson, winning the players' player and coaches player awards and Sam Rose, who seemed to score with every touch of the ball. The team want to thank coaches Mr Riordan and Mr Wakefield for their time and effort, as well as the crowds of students and parents that appeared to every home game.

Written by Will Morrison (Captain)



Girls Hockey End of Season Reports - Autumn 2019

U12 Hockey

The U12 girl's hockey team had a very successful season considering many players had never even touched a hockey stick before.

We started the season with a hockey tournament where we so nearly made it into the semi-finals but lost out to Kent College by one goal. In our first match we won against Chatham & Clarendon 4-0. All the players played really well especially the forwards - Manwoods came away very happy! We then went on to win against Wellesley House 3-1. It was a tactical game and the girls had to take on the challenge of playing on grass.

A hard fought match against Kent College left the U12 girls defeated 3-0. Our next match was a tricky one against St Lawrence where we lost 4-1 and the hardest match of all against Simon Langton left Manwoods defeated 5-0. Everyone played well but Esme, our goal keeper got a very well deserved player of the match.

The girls finished the season on a high with a 4-3 win against Kings Rochester. An enjoyable first season!

Written by Rose Carruthers (Captain)

U13 Hockey



The U13 girls had an outstanding season and displayed some brilliant hockey which shows good potential for our Senior team of the future. Their county tournament was very early in the season and the girls were not quite playing to their best at this stage and therefore didn't make it through to the latter stages of the

tournament. However, after this the girls were unbeaten in their matches and achieved some stunning results. They beat Chatham and Clarendon 16-1, Wellesley House 3-1, Dover



College 5-1, Folkestone Girls 5-2, Kings Rochester 4-1, St Lawrence 10-0 and finally drew 3-3 to Langton Girls. The U13 B team beat St Lawrence 6-0 and lost to Langton Girls 3-2. A very successful season overall!

Written by Mrs Bryen



U14 Hockey

This season the girls played extremely well regardless of the mixed results. Unfortunately, despite Elizabeth's best efforts and great saves we started with a loss to Duke of York's (1-0). The next match we were a lot stronger and managed to win 2-0 against Chatham and Clarendon. Both goals were from Olivia Upton and Lily Cullen who received player of the match. We then later had a tournament which we came 4th in, winning two, drawing two and losing one. With some great goals from

Olivia Upton, Lily Cullen, Sophie Ainsworth and Saachi Uppal. A further four loses against St Edmund's St Lawrence College, Simon Langton and a second game against Duke of York's. Finally, we managed to win our last match against King's Rochester U15B (1-0). Sophie A scored the goal and Saachi received player of the match. It was a great way to finish the season.

Written by Saachi Uppal (Captain)



U15 Hockey

Our U15 hockey girls had a successful season. They finished their season with 3 loses, 1 draw and 2 wins. The girl's played fantastically in each match with close loses to King's Rochester and Kent College and winning 3-1 against St Edmund's, Canterbury mid-season. The U15's played against Duke of York's at the beginning of the season with a win (4-1) and then at the end of the season with a draw (0-0). It

was brilliant to see how much the girls developed over the course of the term and how much further they have come since their U14 days.

The girls are looking forward to their senior debut performances next year although several girls stepped up to help out on our senior teams this year. Another brilliant season, well done girls!

Written by Miss Deveson



Senior Hockey

Girls in years 11 to 13 represented the senior hockey teams, with occasional appearances from year 10 girls. The 1stXI only had 5 matches over the season, however there were plenty of tournaments to keep the team busy. These included the State Boarding School Competition and U18 Tiered Tournament, both of which saw unfortunate losses that didn't reflect how well the girls played at all. The final

tournament of the season was the Mel Clewlow Cup. This was the tournament's first year being run and was held at St. Edmunds School in Canterbury. This tournament was undoubtedly the best hockey shown by the 1stXI all season. They won 3 out of the 4 pool matches and got through to the quarter finals as 2nd in the pool. A win over Ashford School then got them through to the semi-finals, where they played Sevenoaks for the second time, unfortunately losing to them again, but this time with a much narrower score line. The girls should be very proud of the hockey they played that day, despite the extremely cold weather and numerous injuries, as they were very deserving of their 4th place.

The 2ndXI team won half of the 6 matches they played, with the matches they lost being against well practiced private schools. The team consisted mainly U16s, so considering they played mainly against teams full of older girls with much more experience, they did very well to get the results they did. Hopefully the girls will continue their hockey as they move up the school and hopefully into the first team.

A massive thank you to Mrs Bryen and Miss Deveson for taking the teams to fixtures all across Kent. A thank you to Mr Pearce as well, for running training for those not selected for matches every week.

Written by Anya Vellani (Captain)

Boys Football End of Season Report - Autumn 2019

The Kent Cup provided a great deal of drama this year across the age groups.

The U12's proved in friendlies that they were a very strong team but a tough first round draw against Simon Langton led to a 3-1 defeat. However, with a lot of depth

in the squad we are hopeful that this year group can go a long way in the future.



The U13's scored 13 in their first round match against Ursuline with Moduro scoring 5 on his birthday! In the next round the boys were leading 5-3 with 2 minutes to go when Mr Pearce gave a contentious decision in favour of Dane Court which led to them pegging one back and then equalising 60 seconds later. A stunning game finished 5-5, which then we lost 4-1 on penalties.

The U14's started with a 3-1 win against St Edmund's but then struggled to maintain a high tempo in an 11 goal thriller with Dane Court but we couldn't hang on for the victory.

The U15's lost in round 2 to St George's leaving our U16's to lead the way with a great cup run. Fin Upton scored both goals in a 2-1 win against King Ethelberts in round 1 before the squad travelled to the Strood Academy where we registered a 2-0 win. An excellent performance against Queen Elizabeth, Faversham in round 3 saw stunning goals for Max Niblett and Upton in a 4-2 win. The quarter final against Aylesford Sport College was a tight affair where we led on 2 occasions before fighting back to equalise late on for a 3-3 draw at full time. A high level penalty shoot-out saw us lose 5-4 and halt what was an enjoyable and impressive run from our oldest school side.

Individually, congratulations to Josh Bayliss (year 9) and Max Niblett (year 11) for their continued success at Gillingham FC.

Written by Mr Pearce



Girl's Football End of Season Report - Autumn 2019

Girls' football was very popular this term with 50 students signing up for training. Every week, at least 25 girls attended football club and there is some real potential amongst the year groups. The U13 team played a number of matches in a few competitions and despite, not having many wins, they were competitive in all of their games. They lost to Dane court 4-1, Highsted 5-1 (although the second half was 1-1), Dover Girls 2-0 and The Marsh Academy 3-1. The U15's played Dane Court in one friendly match but were definitely beaten by experience. All of the age groups sent 2 teams to the district football tournaments and in both u12 and u13 age groups, the A teams were finalists and the B teams semi-finalists. The U14A team reached the semi-finals at the district tournament and the U14B team finished 5th.



The SE Kent Cross Country Championships were a huge success this year for Manwood's. Both the year 7 and junior boys finished 2nd overall whilst both girls' squads won their events. Worthy of particular mention are the junior girls squad. With 6 places to count, all 6 girls filled the top 6 places which is a truly stunning achievement! As a result of our success, 16 students have qualified for the county cross-country championships which will take place in January.

Highlights of the swimming county relay championships saw the U12/13 Girls Freestyle team finish 5th and the Medley team finishing 4th. The U12/13 Boys teams finished 6th in both events.

In badminton, all of our squads enjoyed competitive days at the East Kent tournaments but we were unable to qualify with any team for the county finals on this occasion.

Written by Mr Pearce

