



Dear Families,

It has been another action-packed week of cricket across the age groups, with drama, fine individual performances and no shortage of close finishes to report.

The U11s got things under way on Monday, taking part in a prestigious tournament at Lancing College and fighting hard across two incredibly close games without quite getting over the line. A solid 88 from 8 overs was tantalisingly close to victory against St Christopher's, who knocked off the runs in the final over to win a thrilling fixture by just 2 runs. Harry A put in an impressive display with Hamish B and Lochie S also contributing with the bat, as Reeve E kept things tight with the ball. Game two against Lancing Prep Hove was disrupted by rain, with resilient LPW ultimately falling 6 runs short of their opponents' 79. Amelie G put in an excellent all-round performance, with Reeve again on form with the ball and Hamish B and Lochie finding runs with the bat.

Wednesday brought a packed day of cricket with plenty more entertainment. The U12As were also desperately unlucky away at Sompting Abbots, losing by just 2 runs off the final ball, with Peaches C and Isabella C earning praise with the bat. The U13s put in a good shift at the same venue, with Freddie B bowling beautifully and Elodie G and Will E also catching the eye, despite another narrow defeat. The U11As, meanwhile, were in dominant form as Chloe R beat the boundary repeatedly, Reeve E impressed all round and Orlando B played an accomplished innings in what proved to be a very impressive victory. Back on home soil, the battle of LPW produced an extremely entertaining fixture with Hamish B, Amelie G and Emily E all striking sixes. Fatima C also excelled in the field and Madhavan R brought





real passion throughout, with Emily E rounding off a fine day as a deserved player of the match for her efforts with both bat and ball.

Thursday brought more of the same as Sompting Abbots this time made the trip to LPW. April L caught the eye with an impressive all-round display for the U9As, while the U9Bs showed encouraging bowling improvement throughout with Toby C and William J also both in good form with the bat. The game's most memorable moment, though, arrived in the field with a somewhat baffled Grace T unexpectedly losing a tooth - much to her and Mr Marshman's shared happy bemusement. The week's sport was rounded off with strong individual performances in the final U9 inter-school fixture, with Theodore L bowling excellently, Ella S striking multiple boundaries and Joshua L-B impressing all round.

Another brilliant week of competitive cricket with all of the children involved in fixtures - well done to all and have a happy Half Term break!