14th September, 2017

Online Registration for Junior School Saturday Sport in 2018

Dear Parents

At this stage of the year we must provide 2018 team and student information for those representing the College to our sporting association, IPSHA (Independent Primary School Heads of Australia). Whilst numbers for Term 2, 3 & 4 are indicative, the Term 1 sporting draws will be completed in October this year and so must be accurate.

Please only select a Term 1 sport if your son is available for Saturday morning games.

Trials are open to all students and begin on our Introduction to Sport Day at Oxford Falls (Thursday 1st February). If not participating in Term 1, your son must play winter sport in order to fulfil his enrolment commitments at the College. Please see the accompanying ‘Introduction to Sport at St Pius’ letter to assist you with completing this form.

Key points:
- Cricket is currently mid-season and so boys cannot play until Term 4.
- Basketball, Softball and Tennis begin in Term 1 and re-commence in Term 4.
- In Winter we cater to all students wishing to play Football or Rugby. For AFL we are limited to 1 team. Further, there is no pathway into the Senior School as the ISA does not offer AFL.
- Re: Tennis - boys must be able to play a bit (ie. get most serves in and hit a groundstroke) in order to make a team. Select a 2nd preference if necessary.
- Boys can only play one sport at a time (ie. One sport per Term)
- All students must complete at least two terms of Saturday sport in 2018.

Finally, to answer some common questions about rugby and dispel some misconceptions: Rugby is played under controlled conditions and under modified junior rules. St Pius are graded in a competition that reflects our player base, from novice to experienced. We field 2-3 graded sides per age group and some boys choose to play both school and club rugby. This is an ideal age for boys to try rugby in a safe environment with qualified coaches.

Future changes to your son’s sport choice for Terms 2, 3 and 4 can be made via email to myself.

Please copy the link to your browser to complete the online form by Wednesday 11th October. Completion of this form is compulsory. If you are unable to access the online form or have any questions, please contact myself ASAP.

https://goo.gl/NX1TSx

Thanking you in anticipation

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