

Willetton's Got Talent

Emma Weng – Year 2 Area 6





Kalamunda Slam Series Basketball Tournament

The Year 5 and 6 girls' basketball team entered the Kalamunda Slam Series Tournament in hope of coming out on top, but mainly achieving practice for Bendat, which we are proud to announce that we have qualified for. Although, we didn't quite finish as winners we are still very fond of our efforts and very grateful for Mr Close and Mr Sessoyeff for taking us to this for preparation! We are very much looking forward to attending Bendat, and hopefully becoming one of the top schools!

Game 1:

Starters: Jada, Cassidy, Freya, Jessica, Jaide

Opponent: Gooseberry Hill

Thoughts: This game we think that we started off very well, we got back in defence, stuck to our players, passed the ball well and many other fantastic things! In defence we tried our House trap, which turned out to work quite successfully a few times! After that we got lots of people making layups and each getting points scored! Even Jenna came on for a couple of minutes (post-injury) and scored quite a few points herself! Altogether, our first game was a big success!

Score: 24-2

Game 2:

Starters: Jada, Cassidy, Kishaany, Jessica, Jaide

Opponent: Midvale

Thoughts: From putting all our efforts in to the first game to get a good start, we were slightly fatigued during this game which let us down quite a lot, though our tiredness surely did not stop us from trying hard to score many points! This team was pretty hard to beat, though in the first quarter we were head to head with them until we took some exceptional steals that scored us heaps of baskets which managed to get us 6 points in front of them. When on the other hand the second quarter for either teams, there was only 1 score for each team, even though our team certainly worked hard to get the baskets, it was just our unlucky shots that let us down, but conclusively we had another great game!

Score: 9-3

Game 3:

Starters: Jada, Cassidy, Kishaany, Jessica, Jaide

Opponent: Greenmount

Thoughts: Throughout this game we weren't tired, we just kind of Chill-toned out, because we thought that this team was going to be easy-peasy lemon squeezy. We though wrong! They scored many fast-break layups from hospital passes and poor offense on our behalf. Fortunately, we eventually got used to their game strategy and just managed to survive the game and come out on top by 5 points. Greenmount used all their energy in the first half, and started to get tired in the second, where we showed how skilled we can be, and had our amazing comeback!

Score: 15-10

Game 4: (Semifinals)

Starters: Jada, Cassidy, Kishaany, Jessica, Jaide

Opponent: Helena College

Thoughts: Unfortunately, we were too ahead of ourselves thinking we could probably get in the Grand Final. So when we came up against Helena College we didn't realise how much they wanted this tournament more than us. As the game began we got completely flogged in the first half, letting them play like netball, up and down the middle of the court! Where as in the second half, we had a massive comeback and scored many points on them without them scoring much at all. In the end, it came out as a draw, but sadly we weren't through to the Grand Final because Helena College had a better percentage.

Score: 8-8

Overall as Captains, we think that our team did just as well as we did in the last tournament, although we just weren't expecting the teams to be harder than the last tournament. We will come up versing Helena College at Bendat, so we can show them how good we can be and beat them. It has been a lovely experience so far this year, and we are both very upset that Bendat will be our very last basketball tournament for Primary School! We absolutely adore the girls we have got to play with this year, and are hoping to see them in high school in a couple of years or around the town!

We have loved this year and don't want to leave this memorabilia team and school!

Written by 2020 Captains Jaide Friday and Jenna Bass

Willetton Climb Hill to the Title

By Samuel Coulson

The Willetton Primary Year 5/6 boys' A basketball team were never troubled as they cruised to another championship at the School Slam Series, this time, held up the hill at the Ray Owen Sports Centre in Kalamunda.

The day started with a dominant display against the Helena College B team, Willetton winning by a whopping 31 points.

In the next game, Willetton continued their hot start running out winners by 23 against Greenmount Primary School A.

Game 3 proved to be much tougher. Midvale Primary School suited up a giant who made scoring near the basket and rebounding difficult. In the end, Willetton was able to control the game and won 15-4.

The games just kept on coming, next up was Gooseberry Hill Primary School. In the end another strong win for Willetton, this time by 22 points.

The final pool game saw Willetton square off with Greenmount Primary School B. Willetton raced out to an early lead so Coach Mr Close gave the green light to use the game to practice 3-point shooting. Willetton came away with a gigantic 33-point victory and finished top of Pool A.

In the decider, Willetton was up against winners of Pool B, Walliston Primary School, who interestingly like Willetton are celebrating the 50th anniversary of their school this year.

Before starting the Grand Final the team found out from the Willetton B team, who had just played Walliston, that the game had been rough. Walliston used some unusual tactics during the game to try and unsettle Willetton and limit their fast break points. In a tough game, Willetton prevailed by 11.

Willetton added the Kalamunda title to the Willetton tournament they won earlier in the year, and now look forward to the Champions Cup tournament to be held in November at the Bendat Basketball Centre.

Congratulations to Dermott, Eli, Lachlan, Michael, Mitchell, Rehan, Samuel and Xavier on another job well done. A big thank you to Mr Close for his continued support of basketball at Willetton Primary. Finally, a big thanks to the fabulous supporters who cheered for us during the day.

Willetton Primary Team B

Strike Fear into Competition

By Justin Pan

The Willetton Primary boys' basketball B team held on to achieve three victories and 1 loss, in the School Slam Series event held at the Ray Owen Sports Centre, in the City of Kalamunda.

After weeks of intense training with coaches Mr Close and Mr Sessoyeff, the team were finally ready to dominate the tournament.

Earlier in the day, Willetton started with a strong performance and won their first game. Continuing undefeated for three games, our final games was tough and tricky. With a hot start to the game, Willetton destroyed the first half with an 8 to 4 point lead. After a break, Willetton gave up, lending 10 points to the other team. We came back by using excellent teamwork, and led the game, until one of the players from the opposition swished a three. A tough and close game, Willetton came out with 12 points and the opponents with 14 points.

Well done to Hariish, Hayden, Justin, Ye Yint, Jy, Joshua, Liam, Shreyansh, M'jai and Josiah in Team B, and all the other basketball players who represented our school. Thank you to Mr Close and Mr Sessoyeff for helping us train hard and organising the tournament. Also, a huge thank you to Mr Ling (Joshua's dad), for coaching us on the day.

“The road to victory is teamwork.”



AREA 18 BOOK TRAILERS

As a part of their Media Arts studies, students in Area 18 were asked to create a book trailer for one of the books they had read this year. The project could be completed in small groups or as an individual.

The aim was to convince someone to pick up the book and read it. Please enjoy.

Asha & Hannah



Jai, Melvin, Michael & Lohitya



Brittney, Cassie, Jenna & Leila



Alexis & Megha



Delilah & Keira



Leo, Mitch M, Nethuka & Yeyint



Noku and Saara



David, Dermott, Jan Angelo & Neell



Sadana, Siena & Sophie



Samuel



Leslie, Mitch B & Xavier



Robocup Robotics Olympics

Raymond Hou & Samuel Coulson

The rise of the machines

ROBOTS danced, played soccer, navigated mazes and even performed rescues as primary and secondary students showed off their engineering skills at Curtin Stadium in the annual RoboCup Junior State Event on the weekend.

More than 420 pupils managed to overcome the disruption to extra-curricular school activities caused by COVID-19, building, testing and tinkering with their creations in time for the popular "robotics Olympics".

Lynwood Senior High School, Rehoboth Christian College and Willetton and Riverton primary schools were among 38 metro, four regional and eight independent schools to enter 124 teams.

Students competed in one of the four challenges — OnStage Performance (dance and theatrical), Soccer, Rescue and Maze — designed to provide a realistic link between what students learn in the classroom and real-world application of coding and robotics.

"RoboCup Junior is a



Willetton Primary School students Raymond Hou and Samuel Coulson with Frank Holdom (right) from Riverton Primary School at the Robocup Robotics Olympics. Pictures: David Baylis

highlight of the year for hundreds of students and this year is no exception, despite the challenges that COVID-19 has raised," Sci-tech chief executive Kalien Selby said. "It is a testament to the resilience and determination of our school communities and independent teams that so many have found a way to be competition-ready."

"They learn to solve

problems and build new skills while having fun being creative with robots and tech."

Rio Tinto provided two special awards for teams that showed determination and innovation in robotics.

The RoboCup Travel Scholarship was awarded to Nullagine Primary School to fund travel from the Pilbara to Perth.

The Promise Award will

encourage Leon Burger to continue his robotics journey.

Leon is from Queensland but has been stuck in WA due to COVID-19. His mum entered him in the competition, in the Rescue Line category, just two weeks before the event.

Rio Tinto Dampier Salt general manager Brendon Brodie-Hall said RoboCup Junior was a great platform



for young people to build their skills in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).