

# Sports Report - Cloister Time 2024, Week 2

# Tuesday 23rdApril 2024 Cricket v Bradfield College

The 4<sup>th</sup> XI faced their opposite numbers from Bradfield on Meads, their first game of the season and their only home fixture. The weather was fickle in the usual April way, alternating between the sunny and the chilly, the dry and the drizzly. Bastone (c) won the toss and elected to bat. Spearing and Hoffman got things off to a solid start with five boundaries between them. When both openers were swiftly dismissed, it fell upon Lloyd-Owen to steady the innings. This he did with no outward sign of pressure even as wickets fell at the other end. He stayed at the crease to the very last ball of the innings, missing what would have been a well-deserved 50 by one run – and outscoring the next highest scorer: extras. We ended the innings with an eminently defendable total of 152—7.

Lloyd-Owen continued his star turn in the second innings. After a few wayward deliveries, he soon found his rhythm, bowling an impressive maiden and ending with strong figures (5-1-27-0). His fellow opening bowler Perks also put in a consistent performance, bowling good line and length (5-0-29-0). Unfortunately, Bradfield's openers were able to see out the good balls and take advantage of the odd loose one to keep their scoreboard ticking, leaving us desperate for a wicket. A slow one from Bhattacharva finally took off the bails of Bradfield's opener and topscorer and tempted one of their solid middle-order bats into a poor shot that was well taken by Perks' safe hands. He ended the match with excellent figures of 5-0-24-2. Other breakthroughs came from some poor running decisions by the Bradfield batters, which were immediately punished by some sharp throws under pressure from Lloyd-Owen and Perks and equally sharp takes by Hoffman. Spearing put in three impressively economical overs at a crucial stage of the innings but failed to break the partnership between their numbers six and seven. The breakthroughs didn't come often enough, as all the while the wides kept the Bradfield score ticking. The match went down to the last over, with Bradfield finally getting over the line with an unorthodox paddle shot over the keeper's head. A good afternoon's play between two wellmatched teams. Lost by 5 wickets. 152 for 7 against 154 for 5. (NGK)

An unfamiliar experience for 'Coach' Douglas as **Senior Colts 'B'** put together a terrifically resilient and positive batting performance before subsiding somewhat in the field. Despite a quick start from Hagger (8), "Coach" Douglas might have doubted captain McGregor's confident decision to bat after a Bradfield hat-trick left us 13-4. However, an exceptional partnership between opener Mehrota (51) and number 6 Alex Simpson (36) pleasingly shifted the on-field dynamic. Playing both pace and spin with well-balanced watchfulness and aggression (and the occasional slice of luck) they built a highly competitive total, with "Coach" Douglas's champagne moment being Simpson's straight six off the Bradfield leg-spinner. "Coach" Douglas has, it must be said, seen many batting collapses over the last 20 years but perhaps *never* a recovery of this nature and magnitude, of which Sen: Colts 'B' may feel justly proud.

There were some decent contributions in the second half, particularly from McGregor and wicket-keeper Spier, and yet a certain lack of confidence manifested. The Bradfield opening batter clearly had a successful day, yet seemed by no means invincible and took a while to overhaul our total; we might have put more pressure on them with a more powerful attitude of self-belief. "Coach" Douglas strongly urges the players to believe in their own fighting qualities and those of their teammates: the necessary mental matrix for success! Lost by 10 wickets. 118/6 v 122/0. [JJLD]



**U15C** (a): Won by 10 wickets. 125 for 0 against 120 for 4.

Golf 1st v Bradfield College (h): Winchester College 3 - 0 Bradfield College T Sood (X) & S Wells (G) - WON 2&1 A Hampel (B) & H Ho (I) - WON 2UP R Sanmathy (E) & S Andreasen (A) - WON 7&5

# Thursday 25th April 2024

**Athletics Lutra Shield: Yeovil Athletics Arena** v Sherborrne, Millfield, Dauntsey's, Canford, Bryanston, Clayesmore, Leweston, Bishop Wordsworth School

The wet and windy journey to Yeovil took slightly longer than expected for the Athletics team leaving Captain Gus Bowden (F) with about 2mins to prepare for the first event of the meet, the 100m Hurdles. Unperturbed, Gus gone things off a to great start with a fine 1<sup>st</sup> place. The rain continued to fall for the first hour of the competition making conditions extremely difficult for the throwers and jumpers in particular. Nevertheless, despite this there was another 1<sup>st</sup> place for Bowden in the high jump and in the Shot for Garlick (C). Importantly, as this competition was based on three competitors per event the B and C string athletes had a vital role to play in scoring and our depth of squad certainly helped us with more top three finishes. Valuable points were secured by Lui in the 200m (C), Ugalde-Tchinov in the 400m, Duggan in the 800m and Martin in the 1500m, Fangzhou in the discus, Larbie in the shot and Chan in both Javelin and Triple Jump.

The final event of the afternoon saw the rarely run  $4 \times 400$ m relay take place, Although the Millfield team broke away early the battle for  $2^{nd}$  place was nip and tuck between Wincoll and Dauntsey's. The lead was taken by Cloke-Brown (B) at the end of the  $3^{rd}$  leg as he handed over to Kawada-Williams (F) for the anchor. The Dauntsey's runner took the lead with 250m to go but Kawada-Williams didn't panic and with 60m to go he started his attack and timed it perfectly to claim a fantastic  $2^{nd}$  place for the team.

The overall results saw Wincoll finish a clear 3<sup>rd</sup> position behind Millfield and Dauntsey's respectively. Considering these two schools both have a full track & field complex on campus the third place finish ahead of six other schools was an excellent achievement. (MSB)

## Chess - National Schools Repechage (h):

In a really tough field of 22 teams, we finished =2nd, with all players winning 2 games from 3, and Edison drawing his third. A really highly-rated performance from a strong A team against top quality opposition. [DIF]

Golf 1st v Charterhouse (a): Charterhouse 0 - 3 Winchester College T Sood (X) & H Ho (I) - WON 5&3 I Haines (I) & A Hampel (B) - WON 9&7 J Redfern (A) & S Andreasen (A) - WON 7&5

#### Tennis v Canford School:

The **First VI** started the season well with a 7-2 victory on a cold and rainy day in Canford. Cao (E) and Latimer (X) looked very sharp as a new first pair, winning all 3 sets; Park (F) and Sawbridge (K) teamed up to take 2 of theirs; and Garrett (G) and Oldenhove (X) showed good signs of



clicking as a pair, winning two of their three matches, including some incredible rallies. Two sets were won 6-0, and during closer encounters the team showed their mental strength by taking 3 of 4 tiebreaks. [M Park, F]

The **Second VI** found themselves in some tight battles. Gueguen (H) and Tait (G) presented a strong team performance, starting off with a solid 6-2 win. However, in the other two matches, the pair was struck with a loss of consistency, resulting in two losses. JP Cheng (E) and S Liu H) had some ups and downs. Initially, they first faced Canford's 1st pair, whose consistency in rallies and serves rewarded them with a 6-1 victory. However, against the 2nd pair, JP's powerful first serve and Sophia's dominant baseline game clinched a decisive 6-1 victory. At this stage the weather conditions deteriorated and this led to declining performances from both sides. However, after some long games and multiple breaks, the final result unfortunately ended in a 6-2 defeat. The stars of the Second VI were Remers (I) and Sadie (I) who won all 3 of their matches. They had a tight start to the fixture where the opponents managed to force a tie-break, in which they won the set 7-6 by just two points. Next, against the 1st pair, with some stunning serves from John and excellent net skills from Ludo, they were quickly 5-0 up. Despite Canford winning six consecutive games and forcing another tiebreak, our pair still managed to secure a 7-6 victory. They then locked in during the last match and produced a solid 6-1 win. The final result was a 5-4 Winchester win. Overall, some good tennis played on a rainy, cold, windy day. [S Liu, H]

Overall, the **3rd VI** team played well during their first match of the season, winning eight out of a possible nine matches. Inglis (B) and Moreno de Barreda (I) had a particularly strong performance, winning all of their games convincingly through the rain, and dominating the net and serves respectively. Despite an almost year-long absence from tennis, this was a fine start and no doubt the team will get better as the term progresses. [W Chipperfield, F]

An encouraging start to the season despite the early spring conditions. Will H-J (A) and Phon (H) managed to notch-up all three wins in the **Senior Colts** match with Tang (X) and Coles (A) completing two out of three, as did Vorobev (F) and Duckworth (H). Final result, a resounding 7 - 2 victory. [TERC]

Despite the all too familiar weather conditions, both the **U15A** and **U15B** matches were played with great enjoyment and sportsmanship by both sides. In the end, Winchester won through convincingly, by 18-0, and although many of the matches were reasonably comfortable, Oscar/Geza and Kourosh/Xander showed good composure to come through tight matches and secure a clean sweep for both teams, while top pairs Dima/Alban and Freddie/Gregory immediately found their form, only dropping a single game across their three matches. It is set to be an exciting season with some tough opposition to come later in the term! [TDF]

An enormously enjoyable day of tennis, with Winchester **U14A&Bs** facing Canford at home in sodden, and slippery conditions. Canford started off confidently, but the Winchester boys were responding to the opposition pressure with composure and confidence. Three very quick matches across As and Bs showed promising results including two 6:0 clean sweeps. Overwhelmingly good scores kept pouring in until a first loss of the second B pair against Canford's firsts blemished the scoreboard. Overall the boys played superbly, maintaining the upper hand across all Yearlings pairs. The Canford side had to leave early given some time constraints but overall the boys showed great sportsmanship and civility, despite Winchester's dominance and a total score of 14:4. A day



of successful tennis for the Yearlings: Fun and competitive throughout, despite what the overall score might indicate. [J]P]

# Saturday 27th April 2024 Athletics v Dauntsey's School

On Saturday, we took two full teams for Senior and Inter Boys up to Dauntsey's for our third meet of the season. The meet got off to a good start with Bowden (F) winning the Senior 110m Hurdles and F. Coleman (E) coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Inter 100m Hurdles. We had some wins from Garlick (C) returning to form and winning the Senior Boys Shot and coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Discus, S. Browning (G) picking up two 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes in the Inter Boys 200m and Long Jump, Coleman (E) winning the Inter Boys triple jump and Bowden (F) winning the Senior Boys High Jump. Other notable performances include O. Aighe (G) coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Inter Boys shot and I. Duggan (I) and I. Martin (G) both coming 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Senior and Inter Boys 800m respectively. E. Fangzhou came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Inter Boys Discus and the Senior Boys 4x100m relay team also came third. In all there were lots of good performances by Winchester and we finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the boys competition and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall despite not having a girls team!. We are looking forward to our next meet at Canford after the exeat. (G. Bowden, F)

#### Cricket v Harrow School:

On a damp and cold morning, **Lords** found ourselves batting first. It was quite trough going with slight variations in bounce and some movement off the seam, but both Charlie and Henry negotiated the first 10 overs well, leaving well, and looking to punish anything short or over pitched. It was a little surprising when Charlie was caught low down at mid wicket, having put on 32 for the first wicket.

Seb then joined Henry and a magnificent partnership of 166 followed. Harrow were forced to change the bowling at regular intervals searching for a breakthrough. Henry once again manipulated the strike well; Seb was particularly strong down the ground and through the off side. Seb was eventually out caught at point for a very good 85, including 9 x 4s and a six, and with 9 overs still to go a score above 260 looked within our reach. Henry was then caught and bowled, 9 short of a successive century, with a memorable six over mid wicket one of his stand out shots of a well constructed innings.

Aaron once again lifted the tempo with 19 off 14 balls and with little time left to bat, James, Jack, Stephen and Amaar all scored at around a run a ball, Stephen finishing 14\* and we closed on 254-6, a competitive total but probably 10-15 short of what we had discussed at lunch.

We knew Harrow had a strong batting line up and a good start was required. Hamish bowled a quick opening spell, Stan struggled slightly for rhythm bowling into the cold breeze, but we made a good breakthrough when Hamish having "bounced" the Harrow opener, then yorked him next ball, a superb piece of bowling. This could have been 2 wickets in 3 balls, when a difficult chance was dropped at third man.

We could not quite take full control of the game, but neither were we losing and at 90-1 off 20 at Tea, we were "in the game". Unfortunately, we just seemed to bowl a 4 ball most overs, mainly by over pitching. We had the perfect start after Tea when Charlie clean bowled their number 3. We also had a chance to remove their number 4 when he had reached approx 20 but a stand of 90 for



the 4th wicket meant that Harrow were always just around the rate required. Conditions then became very difficult when it started raining with 15 overs remaining and holding the ball when bowling was a challenge! However with just over 60 still required off the last 10 overs, the game was in the balance. Alas the Harrow number 4 who was very good through the off side played some excellent shots and it was his innings of 89 off 73 balls that eventually took the game away from us, despite us taking a couple of wickets late on.

Hamish bowled his 10 overs 2-39, Charlie picked up the other 3 wickets, Bowder on debut was promising and Seb bowling his off spin was economical particularly in his first spell. It was quite a tough day, but also enjoyable as there was some excellent cricket played at times by both teams despite the weather. Much to look forward to as we move onto our next 50 over match against Eton on Thursday at the Utilita ground. Lost by 5 wickets. 254 / 6 against 255 / 5. [PNG]

It was a hopeful start on Lords for the **2<sup>nd</sup> XI** with captain Harker (I) winning the toss, electing to bat first on a day where we knew rain would interfere. Alexander (B) and Kulkarni (E) opened the proceedings and they started steadily; however, they were tested by both the Harrow opening bowlers with tight line and lengths and we found ourselves 2 down with just 29 on the board. Wickets continued to fall at regular intervals until Husband (H) came in at number seven to score an important 27 off 74 balls, a crucial knock on a day when double digit scores were few and far between. We were bowled out for 113 in 37.3 overs, a respectable recovery from 62-7, but we knew we would have to bowl well to stay in the game.

After the interval, Claisse (B) and Davies (D) opened the bowling with hopes of some early inroads, but the Harrow openers looked comfortable leaving the ball well and putting away the loose ones. However, with the clouds overhead becoming gloomier and a good string of dot ball balls, the Harrow batsmen felt the pressure to score, and Davies picked up both the openers' wickets, snicking off the first into the gloves of Husband and pegging back the off stump of the second. However, despite our best efforts to continue playing, the heavens opened with the score on 52-2, and when we realised there was no chance of getting back on, we shook hands for a draw. On a day when rain was forecasted for the whole afternoon, it was pleasing to get a good 50 overs in, and despite a slightly disappointing finish to the match, the 2nd XI's hopes of an unbeaten season continue. (GWD)

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> XI** made the journey up to play Harrow's 4<sup>th</sup> XI unsure if the weather would let us play so we agreed a 20 20 blast. Harrow batted first and we made a strong start restricting them to 34 - 5 after 8 overs. Collison and Bhagobati taking 2 wickets each. They recovered and posted 100 - 9 with some excellent fielding and catching from the mighty 3rds XI.

Like the previous game at Bradfield we lost early wickets with some poor shot selections and found ourselves 12 - 4 after 5 overs. Hoffman then lead the charge with 27 but we ended up 34 runs short. I felt a little disappointed as the game was there for the taking but with some good bowling and catching Harrow deserved the victory. 66 ao against 100 for 9. [JRD]

The scorecard from the 4<sup>th</sup> **XI's** outing to Harrow makes uncomfortable reading. The sky overcast and rain seeming imminent, Bhattacharya (c) opted to field first after winning the toss. The next hour was a difficult one for the bowlers, with Harrow's confident openers putting on a strong partnership. Harrow made it to three figures before a short ball from Hairy dismissed one of their



openers; shortly afterwards, a well-judged catch at long-on by Lloyd-Owen dismissed the other to a ball by Bhattacharya. Alas, no further breakthroughs were to be had and Harrow had set us a daunting target of 187 in 20 overs.

Our innings began inauspiciously, with Spearing getting caught out first ball. There were a few moments of promise during Hairy's innings, but that too ended prematurely after an imprudent shot that didn't go where he had intended. With eight wickets down and Harrow now bowling to a test-match field, our honour had to be defended by a ninth wicket partnership. Bhattacharya played the closest thing to a captain's innings, top-scoring with 21\*, supported at the other end by Miers, who ended with 19\*.

There were a couple of things we could take solace from. Lloyd-Owen's four overs went – especially under the circumstances – for an economical 18 runs. Clark, taking the keeper's gloves for his first match, was a reliable (if talkative) presence behind the stumps. As we look forward to our next fixture at Eton, we would do well to focus on getting the basics right: not giving away wickets cheaply, safe pick-ups in the outfield and not dropping catches. Lost by 83 runs. 103 for 8 against 186 for 2. [NGK]

After a difficult first week, the **Senior Colts A** team rebounded in style. The stage was set when Harrow's opening batsman tried to hit Kingsbury's (A) opening ball for six, only for a towering hit caught by Mitchell who made the catch look easy. After this Winchester continued to pile on the pressure, even as Harrow tried to hit themselves out of trouble. Some fine bowling by Jin (I), Lawson (I) and Spearing (I) kept them tied down and all took wickets, while Margolin (E) proved to be almost unplayable with 4-24 off his 7 overs . All out for 97, Harrow looked shell-shocked, and after tea Winchester went about getting the victory their bowling and fielding deserved. Unfortunately, while cruising at 26-1 off four overs the rain became so heavy that the game had to be abandoned. In cricket one can never know who is winning, but on this day Winchester can feel they were robbed of an impressive scalp. (LNT)

The **Senior Colts 'B'** saw some excellent bowling early in the innings from Street (2-20) and a couple of well-held catches in the deep by Hagger gave "Coach" Douglas some early hope before the Harrow #4 accelerated to a fine 83. On a small Lavender Meads pitch the total was not insurmountable and Gianni Garcia (16) and Simpson (12) scored rapidly at times, but wickets fell as the rain drizzled down and in the end we came up well short. Special mention to Gianni Garcia who bowled well without reward and maintained his efforts despite some nasty blows on arm, knee and leg both in the field and at the wicket. Harrow 169-5, won by 116 runs. [JJLD]

## U15A's (h): Match Abandoned

After winning the toss, the **JCBs** decided to bat against Harrow JCCs, favouring the dry conditions over the looming clouds. Winchester started strong, with Ned (B) showing intent with a quick 4, before an early run-out. Gabriel (B) showed skill at the crease with a speedy 32 runs, playing around the Harrow field nicely. After a solid 48\* from Bruno (E), and a rapid 18\* off 18 from Oskar (G), Winchester were looking in good shape to take on Harrow in the second innings.

The rain was holding off, and the bowling standard was set high with 2 maiden overs and a wicket from Ziao (E), accompanied by some economical bowling from Archie (H) and Nikheel (A). 8



overs in, and Winchester looked on top of the game, and with the help of some tight fielding from Archie and Thai (C), the JCBs were looking fairly comfortable by the 13th over. Fate, however, had its own plans, and soon the rain was coming in, bringing with it a wet wicket and slippery ball. Due to the new and unwelcome conditions, the runs started to gradually catch up, and the ball found itself crossing the white line more and more frequently. Winchester were quick to react though, and captain Oskar adapted the field impressively to suit the change of play, deploying some of the fielding techniques that had been practiced in training to good effect. By the 18th over Harrow needed 20 to win, and despite a valiant effort both in the field and in the bowling, Harrow narrowly slipped out of the JCBs hands to win with 5 balls remaining. An incredibly good effort from the entire team, and an unfortunate result that did not do justice to a great performance. Lost by 8 wickets. 129 for 2 against 134 for 2. [B Lewis (E)]

U15C's v Harrow U15D's (h): Won by 7 runs. 97 ao against 90 for 4.

On a rainy Saturday afternoon Winchester **U14As** walked out to bat first under ominous skies. Nawaaz (D) and Cresswell (F) emerged as the pillars of their innings, displaying commendable determination as they scored 37 and 54 runs respectively. Their partnership gave us hope in the pavilion, laying a solid foundation for a competitive total. Soon the wickets seemed to come and go without the strength of Winchester's tailender's who managed to keep the Harrow field at bay and we managed to end up with a respectable total of 131-7.

The Winchester boys felt energised in the field after some lovely Harrow tea and were very quick around the field with some quick wickets being taken. Franks (I) proved to be a formidable force, showcasing his prowess by picking up three crucial wickets, applying pressure on Harrow's batting lineup. Both Wilson (F) and Nawaaz (D) picked up a wicket each showing some very reliable off spin as usual.

However as the rain began to drop ever so slightly the Winchester boys lost morale and a strong middle order of Harrow were able to get to 100-6 very quickly. However a strong catch from Cresswell (F) manage to break up a solid partnership and hope was coming back. However after some relentless fielding from the Winchester boys Harrow were able to reach our total, however it was a very close game and came down to the wire in the end. Lost by 4 wickets. 131 for 7 against 135 for 6. We hope on Wednesday we can put these well learnt lessons into actions for our first T20 game of the season. (L. Husband, H)

Once again the **U14Bs** were not bowled out, but once again we did not make triple figures in 25 overs. Harrow **U14Cs** were too strong for us but if catches had been taken, the story could have been different. In the field, we lost our way after an early success, but I was impressed that we kept our motivation and finished strongly, taking wickets and restricting what could have been a mammoth total. Radcliffe, Nikandros and Phil were the pick of the bowlers.

Our reply was too slow, but this was mostly because of tight bowling. However, Sid and Alfie put on 48 without loss. Then we decided to run ourselves out. A lot. This needs to improve. Lost by 74 runs. 91/8 against 165/5. We beat Eton two years ago, so let's go again on Thursday. [PAH]

The **Yearlings Cs** had a nailbiter of a match against Harrow on Saturday, only losing by a tantalizing 5 runs. Winchester lost the toss and Harrow elected to bat putting up a score of 99 for



9 from 20 overs. George Freeman (G) and Toby Hollard (D) bowled exceptionally, George taking a double wicket maiden and Toby with two maidens.

In the Second innings the run rates started off slow for Winchester, but Rupert Fletcher (I) scoring 31, Charles Cook (G) with 17 and James Hoskins (D) finishing the game off with 13 and a very respectable 100.0 strike rate, allowed them to stay in it right till the final ball. Lost by 5 runs. 94 for 4 against 99 for 9.(PM)

The **Yearling Ds** won by 8 wickets with a superb all-round team performance against Harrow U14Es. A special mention must go to D Singh (D), who led the run chase with stylish and aggressive batting. 100 for 2 against 99 for 4. [JL]

## Tennis v M.C.S. Oxford:

The **1st VI** adapted well to Littleton's hard courts, and the cold, and completed a comfortable 8-1 victory over MCS. The standout performers were Park (F) and Hammerson-Jones (A) who took all 3 sets while only dropping 2 games. However, their 6-1 victory against MCS's 1st pair began as a tight affair, with both other matches finishing before they reached the third game in the set. Garrett (G) and Oldenhove (X) had another successful outing, taking all 3 sets, including a close match against the first pair, eventually winning 6-4. Our third pair, Sawbridge (K) and Remers I), transferred their squash skills to the tennis court, winning 2 of 3 sets, losing only to MCS's strong first pair, 6-3. [M Park, (F)]

The **2nd VI**, despite having two newly-formed pairs, performed well in their 7-2 victory. The third pair of Inglis (B) and Williamson-Jones (A) won all their matches while the first and second pairs of Gueguen (H) and Tait (G), and Cheng (E) and Sadie (I) respectively, won 2 out of their 3 matches. Overall, a strong performance and optimistic outlook for the rest of the season [J.P Cheng (E)].

The **Senior Colts** played a tightly fought fixture which was on a knife edge until the final set. Coles (A) and Tang (X) impressively won 2 of 3 matches, with Suksriwong (H) and Duckworth (H) managing 1, as did Vorobev (F) and Bertheau (F). Although the standard of play at times was high, M.C.S's strong 1st pair just took the fixture away from us with the final result a close 4 – 5 loss. [TERC]

The **U15s** had a tough fixture against MCS on grass, an unfamiliar surface for most. Our first pair Dima and Alban beat the opponent's first and second pair with ease and just managed to hold on against the third pair in a tiebreak, continuing their unbeaten season so far. Third pair Oscar and Geza had no such luck, although they started strong against the first pair, as they were 4-0 up at one point only to lose 5-7 in the end. Greg and Freddie, our second pair, played excellent tennis all afternoon, highlights being Greg's electric volleying and Freddie's thundering first serve. Unfortunately, they only managed to defeat the third pair, which meant as a team it was a 5-4 loss, although the slippery grass courts was definitely a home advantage. The Cs played a great match. Despite only winning one set, all the games were hard fought and went through multiple deuces. The first pair played two incredible sets against their MCS equivalent and pulled of a convincing win in the second set. The second and third pairs did not have as much success, yet still played with gusto and great sportsmanship, especially from Neil Zhou who, regardless of the fact it was his first doubles match, managed to hit some wonderful winning shots. (JAT)



In the heart of the beautiful city of Oxford, Winchester **U14s** took on MCS at tennis. Conditions were consistently cold, and sometimes wet, but the Tennis was good. The A2 pair of B Li (X) and M Lassalvy (I) were invincible winning all their games. C2 pair of T Petrow (A) and M Jalaleddin (C) were also "cooking", including beating the MCS C1 pair 6-2, and another highlight was D3 pair of M Helliwell (B) and W Lee (E) beating the MCS D1 pair 6-5 on a sudden death point. Overall the fixture was a hard-fought 19:17 victory to Winchester. [JWS]

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Sporting quote for the week:

"Attitude is a choice. What you think you can do, whether positive or negative, confident or scared, will most likely happen." Pat Summitt Former NCAA Basketball Coach

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