



THE
BRITISH SCHOOL
IN TOKYO



SECONDARY SPORTS NEWSLETTER TERM 3

Sports Newsletter

Mr. Morris (Director of Sport) 1 of 2

Term 3 2018-2019



Official opening of the Nagasawa Sports Ground.



BST Staff v Students football match at Nagasawa.



Leon and Max with their winners medals for the U19 Japan National Cricket team.

As the academic year draws to a close it gives me an opportunity to reflect on yet another hugely successful term for PE and Sport in the Secondary School. Term 3 started with the official opening of our new sports ground at Nagasawa. Parents and students from across the BST community enjoyed a range of activities provided by Shibuya Rugby club, JCA and the BST PE department. It was also lovely to welcome many students from the local Kawasaki community to share in these celebrations.

Our High School Football teams have been busy this term and have enjoyed another successful season. I was most delighted though to see some additional fixtures added onto this year's calendar. Friendly matches against Setagaya Gakuen Boys School and Prometheus have further developed our links with the local community and helped to develop friendships far beyond BST. It was also great to see a BST staff football team take on the BST parents and students in two highly contested matches in recent weeks. I am sure there will be many more opportunities like this taking place next year.

Another team making excellent use of the Nagasawa sports ground is our Lions Cricket team. With the help of our dedicated parent volunteers, Mrs. Clements and Mr. Fordyce and Coach Holt the team have blossomed. Students from across both Primary and Secondary have enjoyed numerous weekend training sessions and tasted victory in their first few games of the season. It is also worth mentioning the excellent support we have received from the JCA in helping to fund a brand new portable roll out cricket pitch for the team to enjoy. Whilst on the topic of cricket I must take this opportunity to congratulate Max Clements (former BST student) and Leon Mehlig Y10 on being part of the U19 Japan Cricket team who recently qualified for the U19 cricket world cup in South Africa next year. What a remarkable achievement and we wish them every success in 2020.

As part of the schools hugely successful 19:20 project we have been lucky enough to have visits from many international athletes and experts in the sporting world this year. This term certainly did not disappoint as we were lucky enough to receive some professional coaching from Mike Gattling OBE, the ex-England cricket captain, and in recent days have had the opportunity see up close the Webb Ellis trophy. Certainly a great way to build the excitement for the upcoming Rugby World Cup in Japan which is only just a few months away.

It is always great to see our students enjoying sport outside of BST. Every Wednesday night at our Shibuya campus a group of parents, students and members of the local community have enjoyed pursuing their passion and enjoyment of netball. With the help of Ms. Philips the team entered the All Japan National Championships winning two out of their three games and finishing third overall. It was a great opportunity for some of our High School students to play

Sports Newsletter

Mr. Morris (Director of Sport) 2 of 2

Term 3 2018-2019

competitively and gain some excellent footage towards their IGCSE PE practical assessments.

Triathlon has gone from strength to strength this term. We've had the continuation of Sunday triathlon sessions at the Showa campus with coach Jotaki and have now expanded our provision to a weekly morning club with the support of Mr. Patterson. In recent weeks Ryan, Arno and Sean Y10 participated in the 33rd Nissan Cup Triathlon relay coming first and smashing their previous personal best time. Last weekend saw our triathlon team attend the Oiso Long Beach Family Triathlon. Despite the heavy rain and powerful winds everyone performed brilliantly and gave it their all. Well done to our medal winners on the day, Arno, Savannah and Jiho. A big thank you also must go to the BST parents that came to support on the day help make it a great for everyone involved.

Our BST swimmers have also gained some noticeable success this term. They enjoyed a successful competition at the Joly Roger swim meet held at St Mary's. It was also great to see many of our students competing at the All Tokyo Japanese Middle School swim meet in June. Congratulations to Ryan and Yuma Y10 on some very impressive results in the 50m Butterfly and 50m Breaststroke events.

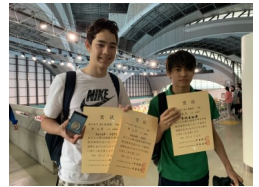
Futsal is always traditionally our main competitive sport in Term 3. With our High School and Middle School girls and boys teams competing in the ISTAA championships. 2019 proved to be another hugely successful season, Our High School boys came from 4-2 down at half time to beat KAIS 4-3 in the final, with the Middle School girls and boys comfortably winning their respective finals against KIST and TIS. Commiserations to the High School girls who performed superbly throughout the season but sadly lost in the final 4-3 to CIS.

The final few weeks of the year have been busy with a variety of inter house competitions. We have seen netball, futsal and even our first ever blind football competition. It was wonderful to see some friendly competition between houses and an abundance of House spirit.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all the PE staff, external coaches and parent volunteers who have all contributed to making this another hugely successful year for PE and Sport in the Secondary School. I wish everyone a restful and enjoyable summer and look forward to the opening of our new sports facilities on the Showa campus in September.



Our Triathlon team at Oiso Long Beach.



Ryan and Yuma with their swimming certificates.



HS Boys ISTAA Futsal Champions 2019.