CRICKET MATCH REPORTS

SPX U13 Black - 23/09/17, Round 2

With high forecast temperatures and dry weather, the last thing we expected when turning up at Lionel Watts oval was a pitch under water! After a bit of work by the Dads sweeping the water off, the boys were able to get underway for their first game of the season against Wakehurst Green.

The boys batted first on a pitch that was still a bit wet and skiddy, and they did well to build a total of 59 off 19 overs, with a strong partnership between Patrick Frost (22) and Dante Raic (11) contributing just over half the runs in the back half of the innings. Wakehurst went into bat on a much drier deck, and although there was some tight bowling by St Pius Black (giving away only 18 sundries) the games was lost by one run on the last ball of the day. Some great bowling by Victor Mossman (2 for 2), Oliver Hunt (2 for 6) and Antony DiMaura (1 for 2, including a maiden) was indicative of great bowling all round, with almost all of boys only going for single digits in their two overs.

Whilst disappointing to go down by such a small margin, the boys did a great job in their first game together after missing the first two weeks due to a bye!