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1ST XV BLAZER PRESENTATION

Last Wednesday 22nd 23 boys were presented with their 1st XV blazers by Principal Peggy Burrows. Family and friends were there to celebrate with the players. Catering was done by the RHS Hospitality students.





1st XV manager Kerry Sullivan with Tamatoa Tangimetua, Travel Tuaputa and Strickland Tangimetua



1st XV players looking sharp in their blazers



A huge thank you to Sergios, Merivale Mall, Christchurch for donating the suit bags for the blazers.

UC CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND ONE: 1st XV v CBHS

It was a motivated Rangiora High School team that firstly attend the school's Anzac Service and headed into Christchurch Boys' to take on the 2014 champions.

Christchurch Boys' quickly lived up to their reputation, with slick midfield running which had the underdogs falling off tackles, allow them to score two tries wide out. However some solid forward play, scrambling defense and opportune exits prevented CBHS stretching a lead. In response, two penalties to Patrick McCallum, including one from 45 metres, had a 10-6 score line with just 3 minutes left in the first half. Unfortunately the host side's third try before halftime increased the challenge for the visitors.



The second half saw four more unanswered tries to Boys' High, but not due to a lack of effort from Rangiora. CBHS drove well over the ball to claim the "golden metre" at breakdowns which allowed them to break through out wide. Rangiora's backs cannot lose structure in defense or drop off one on one tackles against these class sides. The finals core was 39-6.

Jordan Gray was outstanding in cover defense and their best attacking back, which earned him Player of the Day.

Rangiora had started without Cook Island development player, and to lose Fletcher Newell after 25 minutes, tested the depth of their front row resources. However fear not, as Josh "Ducky" Duckworth stepped up to the challenge. His performance earned him runner up to Gray for Player of the Day points. Oscar Howat, Harley Robinson and Louis James also had strong games up front.

Although the result was not unexpected by many, it was still very disappointing for the Rangiora team. It is important this young team take heart especially for their first half performance. It is a long competition so this is a good time for a defensive lesson against the best.

"We will be analyzing this game thoroughly over the week because of the valuable lessons it can offer. There were a lot of positives which includes the ability to win our set piece ball and create turnovers. Our backs showed glimpses of their attacking ability against a good unit. We can still take confidence into games against the other sides in this competition" said co-coach, Kelvin Eder.



Hell Pizza Player of the Day was Jordy Gray

Principal's Pin went to Patrick McCallum



2nd XV/U18 vs Malvern Combined

Final score: RHS 19- Malvern Combined 46

Player of the Day: Korbyn Gray

Game this week: Rangiora HS vs Celtic, kick-off 2.00pm at Rangiora HS



Sign up now for the annual RHS Rugby Quiz Night

There are still a few team spots left for the RHS Rugby Quiz Night on Monday 11th May at Monteiths, Rangiora. Tickets are \$10 head. Teams of 6-8 people can be signed up/paid for at the Payments counter in the Student Office or call Sarah on 0274 306 153.



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