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Christ Church Grammar School continues PSA Chess title streak

Last week, the Christ Church Grammar School PSA Chess team put in an outstanding effort to take home the PSA Chess title, the 13th in a row for the School.

The team, consisting of Year 10 students Jeremiah Wang (Chess Captain), James Renouf (Chess Vice-Captain), Max Pearce, Andy Wu, Jack Poulson and Year 7 student Oscar Gao, played against teams from six schools to win a remarkable 27 out 30 individual games.

The competition consists of 'fixtures' against each of the other six participating teams, with one point awarded for each fixture won.

The Christ Church team went into the final round against Wesley with both schools having won all 5 fixtures played, resulting in a blockbuster final round showdown.

Despite the stiff competition, the Christ Church team beat Wesley 5-nil, and secured another title for the School.

Christ Church Grammar School Principal Alan Jones said the School had a special culture of loving Chess.

"Chess is proven to benefit memory, problem-solving and creativity, and develop skills to stay calm under pressure, so we are grateful to have so many of our students embrace the game," he said.

"We run a lunchtime Chess club four times a week and it is always well attended, we also have House Chess and a senior and junior competition each year."

Christ Church Grammar School Teacher in Charge of Chess Jack Damon said the win was well-deserved.

"This victory was notable as the entire team was Year 10, except Oscar who is Year 7; it is the norm for the bulk of the PSA teams to be made up of Year 11 and 12 students," he said.

"By the luck of the fixture list we played Wesley in the final decisive round, who had also won all five fixtures, resulting in an exciting final round."

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