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1st XV

06 July 2011

Glenfield College

Vs.

Northcote College

Time: 3.30pm

Venue: Northcote College

3rd Grade

09 July 2011

Glenfield College

Vs.

Westlake

Time: 9.30 am

Venue: Glenfield College

5th Grade

13 July 2011

Glenfield College

Vs.

Kaipara College

Time: 3.30pm

Venue: Kaipara College



Brothers in Arms

Last weeks games were dedicated to the Unga Family. It is with great sadness the passing of Mrs Eseta Unga the mother of William and Steve Unga. Our prayers and thoughts are with William and Steve and the Unga Family as we all mourn their loss.



1st XV PAGE

Date: 02 July

Glenfield—29

Whangaparaoa—10

MVP vs. Whangaparaoa

3. Riki Alapati

2. Tyler Kena

1. Dean Brown

Scorers

Tries

Sililo (2), Jackson, Dean,
Dean.

Conversions

Willy, Jackson

Two unbeaten sides in the 1B second round the First XV travelled away to Whangaparaoa on Saturday. The previous week had seen us perform poorly in a winning effort against Kaipara so a lift in effort was required to ensure a result. Training this week was hampered by a number of players sitting out with niggling injuries and star First Five, Willy Unga, in doubt for the match as well. The character of this team was going to be put to the test for this game and fortunately that character came through in spades. Willy Unga was declared fit to play immediately prior to the game which really lifted the team. Right from the kick off we put pressure on the opposition forcing a turn over from the opening phase. Glenfield forwards and backs combined with accuracy and aggression to score the first try of the match to Second Five Sililo Palei. From the resulting kick off the Glenfield Forwards applied immense pressure to the Whangaparaoa ruck fringes and halfback Jackson Leaf turned defence quickly into offence by charging down an opposition box kick and scoring in the corner. A third try was added on the wing after a sweeping backs movement that saw Dean Brown score his first try at First XV level. The half time score was 17-5 to Glenfield. The second half saw much of the same with a young Glenfield front row dominating the set piece and the live wire backline punching holes throughout the Whangaparaoa defence. Impressive counter attacking play was rewarded with two more tries. Centre Stephen Katterns scored after chasing an Adam Neale chip kick and Sililo Palei finished off a patient build up to score a brace of tries. This game was easily the most complete team performance of the season and there were some really pleasing individual performances within the match. 14 year old loose head prop Riki Alapati was outstanding in all aspects around the field. He had a hand in a huge scrummaging effort that saw four tight heads produced in this game. Willy Unga again played a big hand in guiding the team around the field tactically. He is a very talented player that performed admirably through adversity in this game. Dean Brown played aggressively and confidently in a rare start on the wing. If we can keep building on Saturdays performance spectators will be rewarded with some scintillating rugby this week. This weeks game has been brought forward to Wednesday 11th July 2011 with kick off at 3.30pm at Northcote College.

Che Muller—1st XV Head Coach.



Date: 02 July

Glenfield—0

Orewa—62

MVP vs. Orewa

3. Dylan

2. Sean

1. Josiah

3rd Grade Page

The 3rd Grade boys had a home game against Westlake and believe it or not we struggled to start with a full team again! A big thank you to Shivneel from 5th Grade who stepped up and made up the numbers for us. The Westlake team had us on defence from the moment we kicked off. Our forward pack felt the pressure and worked non stop at the breakdowns. Our flankers Dylan and Sean had a massive game and in combination with Josiah found themselves involved in every phase. When we had the ball and managed to feed it to our backs Kesomi did his best to kick us some ground and provide a little breather from the relentless Westlake attack. Both Bradley and James Solomona displayed good ball carrying and tackling but just when we had good momentum going a simple handling error or lack of concentration caused us to lose the ball and return to our fight on defence. Westlake capitalised on every mistake we made and we enabled them to make a couple of run away tries. It must be said however the Glenfield boys didn't give up the fight or their composure throughout the game – so a pat on the back for that boys!

Nicky Primrose—3rd grade Manager.



5th Grade Gladiators

Date: 02 July

Glenfield—48

Orewa—12

MVP vs. Rosmini/ASHS

3. Caleb Kahotea

2. Steve Unga

1. Tucson Mariri

Scorers

Tries

Jayden J. (3) Shivneel
(2), JV, Jordon, Ben

Conversion

Jed (2) Steve (2)

5th Grade started the second round of the 5b completion in 3rd place. This time we faced Rosmini/AJHS at home on a clear and dry day. A few changes were made to the team where Xavier Blakeman was given the captains role and switched position to No 8. Xavier has been an inspiration this year and his leadership on and off the field has been outstanding. Dean Allan was placed on the wing for his first start there this year while Jayden Johnson for the first time this year started at centre. Shivneel Narayan covered the fullback position due to William Fonokalafi being sick. In the forwards Isaac Nonoa started in the front row for the first time this year. Caleb Kahotea made his starting debut at lock and did not disappoint. Caleb is a former half back. His ball carrying skills in recent weeks have been impressive. A strong and hard runner who is coming into his own which has been very pleasing. He is a quiet young man who does all his talking on the field. He is certainly a player to keep an eye on for the future. With that performance Caleb was named man of the match. With all the changes the team did struggle to find their rhythm. The set phase continued where it left off from last week dominating a much bigger pack. The forwards continued to lay the foundation for the backs. The short line outs worked very well. Out of the 8 tries scored 7 came from the backs with Jayden Johnson scoring a hat-trick. Shivneel managed a double. Other tries going to Jordon Bolland, Ben Logan, and a typical front rowers type try going to JV Enriquez. Our next game will be against competition leaders Kaipara who are yet to drop a game this year.

