



Netball



Vinehall School
2002-2003

Report on Vinehall v Ashdown House *Annabel Madewell and Sophie Auld.*

On Wednesday 12th February, Vinehall played Ashdown. We started off well, restricting many of Ashdown's attempts at goal; although they went on to win the quarter 5 -2. At the start of the second quarter the ball became slippery, but this was not an excuse for all the balls we gave away. We began to fault and again they scored a great many goals. By the second half we were all out of breath and Ashdown used this to their advantage. After this quarter Mrs Callard gave us a very strong word, and said that we should win the last quarter. We wanted to prove to her that we could do it and we scored 10 goals! This was an achievement!! Obviously they won, but we knew what to work on for the next time.

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The tournament this year was played at Roedean. Even in the height of summer you can experience a cold day on their seafront games area, and March 7th proved to have a weather system all of its own. The day started bright but cold and by 2 p.m. we all looked as if we had been in the sea!

We played 6 matches throughout the day, losing to Handcross 2-7, Ashdown House 3 -15 and Newlands 4 - 7. We drew against Junior Kings, 4 all, just took a win against Amesbury 4 -2, and saved our best performance of the day for our game against Great Walstead, where we took control from the start, not allowing the opposition to gain possession of the ball at any time. What a win, 10 -0!

U12 NETBALL REPORT

P: 13 W: 6 D: 1 L: 6

This was a season of ups and downs for the U12 team which struggled to find consistency in form. The first match against Skipper's resulted in a convincing 21 - 1 win. The girls then faced a tough Ashdown House team and lost in a tight, well fought game 10 - 15. Benenden were our next opponents and without our usual Goal Attack, Vinehall suffered an 11 - 19 defeat. Away at Marlborough House the team failed to make effective passes, played too quickly and were defeated 16 - 8 to a team we should have beaten. With this in mind, the next match against Newlands saw much better form from Vinehall and a more considered approach which gave the team a deserved 15 - 11 win. Confidence restored, the girls seemed to be "on a roll", beating St. Bedes 13 - 8 and Bethany 11 - 3. An exciting match against DPSC resulted in a 9 - 9 draw with both teams showing great determination in difficult windy conditions. The away match with Ashdown brought the girls back down to earth with a bump, as they suffered a heavy 10 - 26 defeat. A late afternoon outing to Kent College did not revive sagging spirits, the Vinehall team looked lack lustre and missed Christabel Edgar, losing 5 - 23. A good win over Holmewood House the following week boosted confidence, but was not enough to avoid a second defeat by Benenden in the final match of the season.

Regular team members were Sophie Petzal, Molly Buchanan, Georgie Mair, Christabel Edgar, Claudia Weston, Charlotte Mursell and Shreena Suchak. Ginny MacLean, Natalya Chapman and Olivia Jeffes played as reserves.