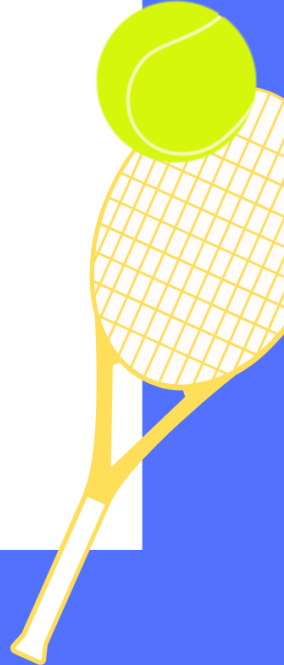
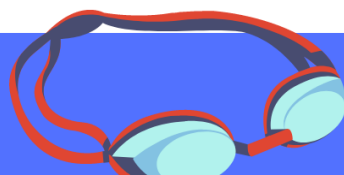
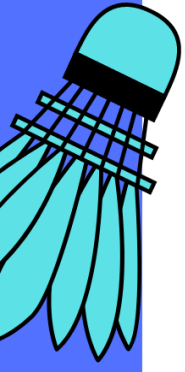


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Our school team matches against three other international schools (Sunway international, Tenby international and Australian international) on Tuesday ,12 September 2023. It was played on the home ground of the Australian international school. The AIMS fixture consist of a round robin system where each team would have a chance to play against one another. The match was witnessed by parents of the players and a large number of students. The team came onto the field approximately 3:15 to get all warmed up. Five minutes into the warm up the players got into their respective positions to the blow of the referee's whistle. The first match was against ' Sunway international school'.

From the start, our football school team played very well. Two minutes into the match, our team scored a goal (Yap Ooi Haw) 1st goal. Stepping up the game to our newly formed team. It was the first of goals in the tournament. This brought up a good start to the match, as we had the advantage over the opposition. The teams changed sides after the interval. One goal was conceded towards the end of the match . The first match ended with a draw.

After the first match came to a draw, our team grouped up beside the pitch to catch a breath whilst we waited for the next matchup against ' Australian international school'. Mr.Booth giving advice on our mistakes really helped open our eyes as we had a better game plan than before.



Stepping onto the pitch for the second round, we headed in more confident than ever. It was against the opposition's home ground. It was their turf, they had the advantage over us. The whistle blows, teams set into positions. We started off the game strong with direct passes , playing oppressive. We had much chemistry then , as calls were given and shots were on target. Australian intemational scored nearing the end of the first half. The score was 1-0. Heading into the second half, a team talk was given once again by Mr.Booth on certain improvements that could have been made. Unfortunately 5 minutes into the match , another goal was conceded by our school. Loosing hope the team continued with maximum defense, nearing the end of the match , our team still fighting . We have scored a goal just before the end of the timer(Yap Ooi Haw) 2nd goal. The final score adding up to a staggering lost of 2-1 against the home team.

Catching a break by the stand, our team looked tired and defeated. Mr.Booth setting an example of leadership as he motivates the team to not give up. " We are here to enjoy ourselves ", Mr booth stated. Keeping our heads up, mentioning everyone's improvement so far into the matches. The team mood lightened up again as we headed off to our last match of the day, against ' Tenby international school'.

Feeling confident and motivated, given our chance to prove ourselves. The team headed on the pitch with a goal in mind. We enjoyed ourselves! We started off the game playing defensive as much pressure was given. Everyone played as a team, the opponents were giving our team a hard time as they had a strong attack. Our school conceded a goal close to half time by a penalty in the box. We felt a bit devastated but we still had hope. Getting some hydration in during the interval. The team felt refres hed. We were ready! We started the game with minimal mistakes. Passing all around. Throwing in the ball from the sideline, we had a chance to redeem ourselves. We scored a goal just then. (Joshua) 1st goal. We had the opportunity to come back. Playing smart with much more confidence we were given hope. The game ended off with a score of (3-3) with the last two goals scored by our team. (Garron) 2nd , 3rd goal.

It was a great experience being able to play against such good teams where we were able to learn many things such as teamwork and communication. These skills were much needed for our school team to improve on, it really opened our eyes on how much work we as a team need to put in to see results. But overall, it was a great opportunity and a meaningful learning moment.

