

## **FRIENDS' GIRLS TENNIS**

### **2025**

Your daughter has expressed an interest to play Tennis in the SSATIS roster in Term 4.

#### **Details for Tennis**

Matches are played on the following days:

Years 9/10 – Mondays from 20 October to 24 November

Years 7/8 - Tuesdays from 21 October to 25 November

A final will be played between the top two teams the 1st week of December

All games will start at 4.15pm. Games will be played after school at various venues around Hobart including the top Tennis courts on Commercial Rd and the Domain Tennis centre for home games.

**Year 9/10 Girls** will train on **Monday** mornings beginning 13 October. Training will commence from 7:15am – 7:55am on the same day every week for the duration of the roster.

**Year 7/8 Girls** will train on **Tuesday** mornings beginning 14 October. Training will commence from 7:15am – 7:55am on the same day every week for the duration of the roster.

There will be no training during the holidays. Training will be held on the Commercial Rd courts.

David Tunbridge – a qualified Tennis coach will conduct the training sessions.

The roster will be emailed to students when available. The roster and results can also be checked on the SATIS web site:

<http://www.satis.com.au/sports/tennis/> (please click on the Southern SATIS tab)

#### **Uniform Required**

The Friends' School sports uniform – **polo top, navy shorts or skirt, white sports socks, suitable sports shoes, school cap or visor.**

**Students will need their own racquet.**

#### **Format:**

**Players:** 3 per team

**Courts:** 2 courts required

#### **Format of play:**

- Each player will play 1 singles match and 2 doubles matches
- Each match will be played to 4 games, with no tie-breaker or two game advantage (i.e a player can win 4-3)
- As per current regulations short deuces will be played. Players play advantage at the first deuce. If the game returns to a second deuce then one deciding point is played from the deuce court to determine the winner of the game.

Students who do not wear the correct Friends' sports uniform will not be allowed on the court. This will be enforced by the School and SSATIS. As a part of building team culture and representing the school with pride and respect, players must also wear the correct Friends' sports uniform to and from games. This is a requirement when playing for The Friends' School.

There are a number of conditions that need to be satisfied in order for teams to be finalised and entered in rosters. It is important that the Commitment Form is read carefully before signing. By signing the form both parents and students agree to fulfil the expectations of the School's Sport Commitment Policy.

**Sport Commitment Policy:**

Whilst the School will endeavour to provide opportunities for students to participate in the sport(s) of their choice this is dependent on there being sufficient numbers to make up viable teams and the support of parents in assisting as team managers.

**In order to provide a balance across the different types of co-curricular activities we strongly recommend that students choose only 2 sports per season as an absolute maximum.**

If a student has made a commitment to a School team, their first obligation is to play for the School for the full duration of the roster. Where a student withdraws from a team to which they are committed, the student may be suspended from further participation in School sports for a period of time.

Once students have committed themselves to a sport they will be required to attend training sessions regularly. Any student who does not attend weekly training of their team without a valid reason and without notifying the coach and/or coordinator(s) will not be considered for the following rostered game. **It is vitally important that students notify the coach and/or sports coordinator if they are unable to play.**

As it is not possible to enter teams into rosters without parental support we require a parental manager (or co-managers) for each team, to both support our coaches and provide adult support to students.

The responsibilities of the team manager include:

1. attending all matches as the adult supervisor or arranging for another parent to do so.
2. taking the First Aid kit to each game.
3. ensuring that the score sheet is completed and returned to School the following day.

As it is now a legal requirement all volunteer coaches and managers of teams/activities must have working with vulnerable people (WWVP) registration. **If helping for just one event this is not necessary.**

Information about the application process and the online form can be found at [the following link here](#).

The fee for the WWCC is \$22.44 for volunteers and will be met by the School. The following link gives you more info on the WWVP and access the remuneration form <https://goo.gl/X30FJx>

The School's Volunteer Registration process is now in place, where all volunteers will need to complete a registration and screening process before volunteering. Any person over the age of 16 who volunteers at Friends' will be required to complete an online volunteer registration every 12 months. Friends' School students volunteering within the School will be exempt from this requirement. This may be in the classroom, with co-curricular activities, or on excursions, to name a few activities. The Volunteer Registration Form is available here, and information for those wishing to volunteer is available on the School's website.

With regards to SSATIS Tennis, it is a requirement that an adult must be present to supervise each team playing at each venue and that they have a First Aid kit with them. If we do not have an adult supervisor present we will have to forfeit games.

**In the past we have covered the manager role with a collaboration of parents sharing the load and doing one or two weeks each. Our tennis coordinator will organise this for you if we cannot find one person who is able to commit for the entire season.**

**If we do not have enough parents volunteer their services, we will be unable to enter as all teams require parent supervisors.**

**\*Parents and students are asked to sign the commitment form by 18 September.**

**TEAMS CANNOT BE ENTERED IF FORMS ARE NOT RETURNED BY THE DUE DATE.**

Details for all sports are available in the co-curricular handbook. Students will be informed of further details for this sport including training times. Coordinators will circulate information as early as possible and will maintain the overall coordination of the sport to a high standard.

Girls Tennis coordinators

Kim Bouchier 7/8

Theresa Werner 9/10

John White

Head of Secondary Sport

## **SATIS CODE OF ETHICS (Short Form)**

The following is a description of behaviour and attitudes at sporting competitions consistent with the spirit of the SATIS Code of Ethics:

1. All conventions of courtesy associated with a sport are emphasised in the coaching and management of a team.
2. Schools show courtesy to visiting players and spectators. Visiting teams will be punctual and are welcomed by the host school.
3. Visitors respect the host school's premises and rules in relevant matters such as parking, tidiness and access to buildings, playing areas and change rooms.

4. Competitors wear the recognised uniform and use the accepted equipment for each sport. Correct school colours are worn.
5. Coaches and/or managers of teams introduce themselves to opposition coaches or managers prior to the commencement of any fixture.
6. All behaviour, including language, on and off the field, by players and supporters is of the highest standard. School and match officials are expected to take action should this not be the case.
7. Decisions by the umpire are accepted without dissent or comment by players, coaches and spectators.
8. Only those designated by schools as coaches or officials are permitted to coach during the game. They must do so within the regulations of the particular sport.
9. The use of noise or comment which intimidates is unacceptable.