

# **Sports Update for the Week of March 15, 2021**

## **Boys' Golf**

The Boys' Golf team began the week by defeating the Lake Washington Kangaroos on their home course by a score of 189 (strokes) to 201. Top five scores for the Wolves were: Chris Zamani (40), Ashay Manocha (39), Bryce Johnson (38 and a PR) and the co-medalists were Nathan Yocam and Eshan Singh both shooting a 36. Personal bests from Johnny Fitzgibbons, Noah Finch, Nikil Nambiar and Kellen Lester!

The Wolves Boys' Golf team hosted the Kangaroos of Lake Washington and defeated the visitors 211-236 at Sahalee on the north course. The numbers were not as low due to a very wet day and soft course. Top five scores for the Wolves: Chris Zamani and Ashay Manocha (41) and the medalist (lowest score overall) was Nathan Yocam (39). The Wolves host the Juanita Ravens at Sahalee on Tuesday at 3:30pm. If you come to Sahalee for the match please make sure that you are meeting the Sahalee CC dress code.

## **Volleyball**

### **Varsity**

The Wolves Varsity Volleyball team completed its first week of matches by defeating the Redmond Mustangs for a second time on Thursday March 11. Once again the team won in 3 straight sets - 25-18, 25-15, 25-19. This time the Wolves offense was paced by Junior Grace Brandt's 8 kills, as well as Senior Madeline Flynn and Sophomore Nora Myre's 4 kills each. The Wolves offensive success was initiated by the solid serve receive of Freshman Jess Martin and Seniors Kate Burke and Dawson Flaker.

On Monday March 15 the Wolves suffered their first defeat of the year when they lost in 3 sets (24-26, 13-25, 20-25) against the Kangaroos of Lake Washington. Seniors Olivia Reid and Hope Thompson split the setting duties leading to 5 kills from Sophomore Derin Yilmaz and 4 kills each for Sophomore Nora Myre and Junior Grace Brandt. Junior Jada Mohammed and Freshman Jess Martin anchored the defense and passed a combined 2.0 on a 3 point scale. Thursdays rematch against Lake Washington was cancelled due to a power outage at Eastlake.

The Wolves return home for its next two matches - March 18 for a rematch against Lake Washington and March 22 to face Juanita.

## **C Volleyball**

C Team finished the first week of competition beating Redmond 2 of 3 sets. Scores were 25-9, 23-25, and 25-11. The wolves continue to improve in offense and defense. Strong serving by Allie Hunthausen, Kate Hillman, and Katherine Krueger helped set a fast pace. Kills were had by Jana Mansour, Allie Hunthausen, Audrey Grunke, and Tatum Wood.

This week the Wolves took on the Kang's. While at LWHS, C team had its first defeat, 0-2 in close sets. Strong net play found Annika Knopf, Julia Chen and Katherine Krueger with kills. In the back court, Eshani Razdan, Riley Weaver, and Haile Baber all rotated as liberos. The third, non-deciding set, had the wolves raging back with a 25-7 win.

The week finished with hosting the Kang's at EHS. The power was out and the ladies tried to play in the dim lit gym, managing a tight win 25-23, before the match was postponed. A rematch is scheduled for March 23 at EHS. That will be a full week with games Monday and Tuesday at home, and Thursday away. Go Wolves!

## **Girls Soccer**

### **Varsity**

The Wolves took it to the Kangs this week with two big wins. On Tuesday, Eastlake won 2-0 with both goals coming from Kelsey Kwon. On Thursday, the Wolves walked away with a big 4-0 win. Goals came from Morgan Young, Kayla Smith, Makenna Maxwell, and Kelsey Kwon. Sapphire Maguigad got the series shut out. The Wolves face Juanita next week.

### **JV**

JV girls soccer won their game on Tuesday against Lake Washington 2-0. Sierra Hanson (fwd) used her speed and force to score a magnificent goal and Payton Zahn (center mid) scored her first goal of the season! Sofia Robe (fwd) was aggressive and had many good runs to goal where she held her own against their defense.

JV girl's soccer tied 0-0 against Lake Washington on Thursday. Our center backs, Claire Tolo and Courtney Knapick are like brick walls and let nothing through. Brielle Stuesse (outside mid) had several incredible runs to goal where she used her technical footwork to maneuver around their defenders. Aheli Dutta (center mid) did a remarkable job in getting to the ball first in the air. She beat her mark to ball every time and was able to control and play the ball to her teammates

## Slowpitch

Slow Pitch completed a third full week of practice having notched their opening Home Games against Redmond and Lake Washington on Saturday 3/13. After a rough loss to Lake Washington, the Lady Wolves regained their footing, scoring 15 runs to soundly defeat rival Redmond in 5 innings, sitting at 1 and 1 for the season. Focus for the week has been high, with the team committed to strong defensive play, in match of their already solid hitting performance. Eastlake is schedule to play back-to-back games beginning 9:00am on Saturday the 20th at Redmond HS.

## Swim & Dive

Girls' Swim and Dive competed in their first two virtual outdoor meets against Redmond and LW. Even though the swimmers had a lot going against them (36-degree mornings, ice on the blocks, ice forming on their eyelashes between heats, and no starter system because it violates the morning noise ordinances), in true Wolves fashion, they rose to the challenge! Best times were swum by Esha Bangur (100 back), Lex Carmosino (100 breast), Gia Carmosino (100 breast), Abby Ivie (100 free), Riya Kalra (50 free), Julia Lundblad (50 free), Josie Piel (100 breast), Gauri Srikumar (100 free, 100 breast), Kavya Srikumar (50 free), and Emily Taylor (100 breast). We had a lot of girls step up and swim their "off" events to fill out the meet: Alyssa Baker (500 free), Aydia Carmosino (100 fly), Emma Hansen (200 IM), Tavi Smith (500 free), and Emma Soininen (200 IM). Special shoutout to newcomers Tiana Dumitrescu and Roxanne Madden who had to swim back-to-back events on Thursday.

Across town, we are fortunate to have senior divers Diya Rekhi and Sophia Thompson returning to the board. 9th grader Olivia Bock dove in her first meet last week and learned 6 new dives to compete at the varsity level this week!

## Cross Country

### Eastlake vs Redmond (Mar 10<sup>th</sup>)

The Wolves XC team toed the line in the first meet in 16 months against cross district rivals Redmond XC at Hartman Park. Ever the strong competition the Wolves came ready to contend with the Mustangs.

Across the 5 races the Wolves XC team won every race including the Varsity girls race defeating 2019 State Champions Redmond. Led by freshmen **Abbey Van Valkenburg** in her 1<sup>st</sup> XC race as an Eastlake Wolf finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in a time of 20:24.

Going 1-2 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> girls race senior **Nia Marwaha** and freshmen **Salma Abdelale** led the Wolves to the team victory.

Not to be overshadowed by the girls squads, the Eastlake boys ran with grit and courage. Led by super sophomore **Ethan Pedersen** the boys defeated Redmond 19-42, bringing in 6 runners ahead of Redmond's #2 and 9 runners before their #4. **Pedersen** battled shoulder to shoulder (at times elbow to elbow) with Redmond's super fast top runner until pulling away with 300m to go, breaking the Hartman course record in 16:02.5.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> boys race continued showcasing the speed of our freshmen class with **Daniel Montano** winning the race in his EHS debut, followed closely by junior **Sean Clark**. They lead the Wolves to another resounding victory, with the trio of sophomores **Cal Johnson, Hayden Daniels, and Logan Cantrall** finishing 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> respectively in the race. All 3 posted life time personal bests (PRs) on the notoriously slow Hartman course!

In the final race of the day, more underclassmen dominance ensued as freshmen **Ethan Overstreet** raced to victory followed closely by sophomore **Scott Schmidlin** and freshman **Denys Davydenko**. **Schmidlin's** time also marked a 7 second PR!

Great job Wolves XC!