

## Kangaroos v Wimborne 21-May

### Kangaroos 119-5 Wimborne 76-6

We won the toss and chose to bat first. Having only batted for ten overs in our previous game, the challenge for this match was to bat out our 18 overs and aim to give Wimborne a target of 90+ runs. The boys responded to this really well. A key change in our batting order was to promote Sterling to number three and he really took the opportunity and delivered a key performance for the whole team. The first thing to report is that he did not give up his wicket easily but showed real shot selection, choosing the balls to defend and the balls to score runs from. He can be very proud of his innings of 26(including 3 boundaries) before having to retire. Robert was our other batsmen who retired but more of that later. The rest of the team contributed runs with Alfie being our next highest scorer on 9. There was some excellent running between the wickets with very clear calling and few indecisive moments.

Having set Wimborne a total of 120 to win our bowlers had to make sure that they were accurate and not give away too many extras on what was a lively pitch. Gareth and Alex bowled our first four overs and only conceded 12 runs between them. Oliver and Alfie followed and both bowled well with Oliver distinguishing himself by only conceding two runs and taking our first wicket(Thomas taking a good catch). Robert and Thomas came next. Robert claiming a wicket and Thomas only conceding 5 runs from his two overs. Cameron and Ben were our final pair with Cameron making up for the disappointment with his batting by taking two wickets. Ben also bowled really well, in his final over only conceding two runs and was really unlucky not to take a wicket with a ball that just missed leg stump. It was left to Alex to bowl our final over and once again having been disappointed with his batting took two wickets to seal a really good team performance.

Have I forgotten anything? Oh yes Robert's batting. This was the sort of innings that if you had gone to the loo for a comfort break you would have missed half of it.

Robert scored 27 runs and did this while facing only 11 balls. he scored four boundaries and also provided this week's-

**Champagne moment**-having narrowly missed scoring a six the previous over-Robert then hit the ball in the same direction, not only did he clear the boundary but he very nearly hit the ball out of the ground. A fantastic shot!

Next game Parley in the League.