



#### Week Ending Sunday, 2 November 2025

#### **Directors Notes**

As the touch season draws to a close, it is great to see the teams continuing to give their best effort each week. With only a few rounds remaining (see below), we encourage all players to stay focused, support their teammates and finish the season strongly. It has been fantastic to watch everyone's skills and teamwork develop over the season and we hope all players have enjoyed being part of Touch@Grammar.

As a reminder, we ask that spectators please refrain from addressing referees during games — many are young and still learning and their role is essential to making each match possible. Let us continue to show respect and support for everyone involved as we finish the season on a positive note.

#### **Rounds Leading into Finals**

- Under 7 and Under 8 teams will play each Friday night right up to **Friday**, **21 November** (three more rounds including this week).
- Under 9 and Under 14 teams will play this week and next week. They will only play again after that if they finish in **first** or **second** spot.
- All other teams will play this week and then only play again if they are in the top four. Please check the ladder most teams are now out of contention.
- Grand Finals will be held on **Friday**, **21 November**.

Training will continue as normal for teams still playing.

#### **Kristal King**

#### **Director of Touch Football**

#### Round 10 Results and recap from coaches

#### Under 16 Girls | Grace Ironside

Defeated by Sharks Blue, 0-16

Despite a tough 0–16 loss, the under 16s showed real growth and determination on the field. Each week, we are improving our communication, positioning and teamwork — and it is starting to show in our play. The defence held strong under pressure and our attacking sets are becoming more structured with every game. The score does not reflect the effort, spirit and improvement this team is showing. Every match brings us one step closer to where we want to be — stronger, smarter and more connected as a team. Great effort all around.

#### Under 16 Boys | Rana Lobley

Defeated by Jots Tigers, 4-14

Despite the lopsided scoreline, the boys played one of their best games for the season so far. A bit more luck on our side and it would have been a much closer result. The team had much improved rucking sets and their sliding and shutting defence is progressing well. Hoping for a winning performance in the last game of the season. Let us qo, boys!

#### U14 Girls Grammar Black | Michael Berlin

Defeated by Grammar Gold, 0-17

The long-awaited clash finally arrived, with Grammar Gold taking the laurels on the night. Despite the blown-out scoreline, Grammar Black (who were short a couple of their star players) put up a tremendous fight. The improvement in Mr Berlin's girls has been enormous over the season. Ms Bartram's Grammar Gold has also improved and it was great to see the girls linking up in attack. Despite the scoreline, there was lots of laughter and good spirit between the teams, highlighting





exactly what it means to be a Touch@Grammar player.



#### **Under 13 Boys | Peter Holmes**

Defeated by Rum Runners, 2-10

With several regular players out (carving it up on the basketball court in Brisbane), the team called on our U12 boys to fill in. A huge thanks to those boys who did and to their parents, who committed to even more touch this week! The boys had a tough game against Redskins and despite the best efforts of everyone, were not able to cross the line. There were, however, many positives to the game and as the team gelled, they began to put some plays together and defend more consistently.

#### U12 Grammar Black | Tristan Mason

Results Unavailable - Rum Runners

The U12 boys played a great game on Friday, really showing their development. Their rucking was strong and it is great to see them excelling in the fundamentals of touch. We look forward to our final few games.

#### U12 Grammar Gold | Angus Richardson

Defeated by Redskins, 0-12

Despite their best efforts, Grammar Gold showed good spirit and worked hard throughout the match. There were some strong defensive moments and good teamwork in patches. The players are looking forward to improving and performing better in their next game.

#### Under 10 Girls | Matisse Reibel

Defeated by Brothers Pink, 0-17

The U10 girls put on a fantastic display of teamwork and determination this week. Despite being short on players, every girl gave her absolute best and played with real heart. They supported one another, communicated well and never gave up, even when the opposition had fresh legs. Their passing, defence and effort in every play showed how much they've improved and how strong their team spirit is. It was great to see them pushing through challenges and still having fun. The girls should be very proud of how they represented themselves and their team on the field.

#### **Under 10 Boys | Andrew McKinnon**

Defeated Sharks Blue, 11-1

TGS U10 Boys came away with a convincing win against Sharks Blue. Better ball movement across the field allowed Will King, Tim Sweeney and George Pont to run riot, utilizing space and converting opportunities into points. The team has really improved in defence, consistently pushing Sharks across the field and limiting their scoring opportunities. The boys are really understanding their role in this aspect of the game, which is pleasing to see.





#### Under 9 Girls | Emily Nelson, Bridget Boyle

Defeated Frogs, 5-3

What an incredible game from our U9 girls on Friday! The team came away with a great win, starting strong with an amazing first try ever straight through the middle from Isla. Our defence was outstanding across the field, especially impressive given the heat. The girls communicated beautifully, supporting one another and showing real teamwork. Subbing was smooth and smart, with Evie leading the way to keep everyone fresh and focused. It was a fantastic effort from all — every player contributed to a well-deserved victory. Super proud of the determination and energy shown by the whole team!

#### Under 9 Boys | Lily Foreman

Defeated by Sharks, 0-13

The boys had a tough game. The other team had some fast players and beat us by a large score but watching them together as a team and hearing them talk about the point of the game — to have fun — showed that as long as they are out there playing, they are learning. Everyone played to their best and made sure to implement the "channels" we learnt in training to work on our defence. Coach's Player of the Match was awarded to Billy, who, recovering from a sore foot, still put in the effort to charge forward with the ball and help the team — he earned it.

#### Under 8 Girls v Sharks Grey | Kayla Bartram

The U8 girls were amazing this week, playing with only one sub and showing incredible effort from start to finish! Despite the challenge, the girls worked hard in defence, communicating well and showing great teamwork on the field. They are really starting to learn to slide and support each other in the line, which made a big difference in keeping the opposition out. Every player dug deep, showing determination, focus and a positive attitude throughout the game. Impressive team effort, airls!

#### Under 8 Boys v Brothers White | Tasman Paas

It was an exciting weekend of touch for the Grammar Under 8 boys. On Friday night, the team faced Brothers White in a thrilling and keenly contested match. The boys showed great teamwork, strong defence and plenty of determination throughout the game. A highlight was Vikram scoring his very first try of the season, a moment that brought huge cheers from teammates and supporters alike. Despite their strong effort, Grammar narrowly lost by just one try, but their performance was full of spirit and promise.

#### Under 7 Boys BYE | Ruben Singham

# Round 11 Results and recap from coaches

#### Under 16 Girls | Grace Ironside

Defeated by Rum Runners, 0-10

Playing with only one sub in scorching heat, our team showed incredible resilience and commitment despite the 10–0 scoreline. Every player dug deep, pushing through exhaustion to keep the game competitive and maintain formidable team spirit. Our defence worked tirelessly and we created some great attacking opportunities even under tough conditions. This match proved our team's grit and willingness to back each other no matter what. Every week the team is improving across all components of the game. Outstanding effort from everyone!





#### Under 16 Boys | Rana Lobley

BYE

#### U14 Girls Grammar Gold | Kayla Bartram

Defeated by Rum Runners, 1-3

The U14 girls showed incredible grit and determination this week, playing three-quarters of the game with no subs in the extreme heat. Despite the tough conditions, the girls held their own and put in a great effort against strong opposition. The final score was 3–1, with Bella scoring a well-deserved try after some fantastic teamwork and persistence. The girls defended tirelessly and communicated well and never gave up, even as fatigue set in. It was an inspiring display of resilience, teamwork and heart. Well done, girls!

#### U14 Girls Grammar Black | Michael Berlin

Defeated by Sharks Black, 0-10

On Sunday, the girls played Sharks Black for the third time this season. Although the team went down 10–0, it was their best performance of the year. In tough, hot conditions and with only six players, the girls showed incredible effort and determination. The score was just 6–0 at halftime and for the first ten minutes after the break, neither team managed to score. It was only in the final stages that the heat and fatigue began to take their toll. Overall, a fantastic effort from the girls who continue to improve each week.

#### **Under 13 Boys | Peter Holmes**

Defeated by Redskins Bears, 3-13

The U13 Boys played against the Redskins Bears this round and were defeated 13–3. The team worked hard throughout the match and showed determination despite the tough competition. There were some positive attacking plays and moments of strong defence. The coaches appreciated the effort and teamwork shown by all players. A big thank you to the U12 boys who stepped up to help the team this week. Thank you to Mr Smith, who stepped in to help out while Peter was away.

#### U12 Grammar Black | Tristan Mason, Angus Richardson

Defeated by Grammar Gold, 4-8

The U12 Grammar Gold team played against Grammar Black on Sunday. It was a competitive game with both teams showing strong effort and teamwork. Grammar Gold managed to come away with an 8–4 win, despite Grammar Black taking an early lead. There were some well-executed tries and solid defensive plays throughout the match. The coaches were pleased with the improvement and positive attitude shown by all players. Thanks very much to Mr Smith, who stood in while Angus completes his university exams.

#### Under 10 Girls | Matisse Reibel

Defeated by Rum Runners, Score unavailable

I couldn't be prouder of the U10 girls after this week's game. With no subs and the sun beating down, they played the entire match with incredible effort and positive attitudes. It was extremely hot, yet not one complaint was heard, they simply kept running, defending and encouraging each other. Their perseverance and sportsmanship were outstanding, showing true grit and commitment to their teammates. Every player contributed and kept the energy up right until the final whistle. They showed what it means to work hard and have fun, no matter the conditions. Such a fantastic effort from all the girls!





#### Under 10 Boys | Andrew McKinnon

Tied with Rum Runners, 8-8

In the game of the year, TGS pushed the undefeated Rum Runners Black all the way, coming away with a very commendable 8 all draw. Grit was shown by all boys under trying conditions to almost come away with a victory against a particularly good side. I was extremely impressed with how our boys conducted themselves, not allowing the niggle and tactics of the opposition to upset or unsettle them. I hope the boys take a lot of confidence out of this game as they have shown they are among the best teams in the competition.

#### Under 9 Girls | Emily Nelson, Bridget Boyle

Defeated by Brothers, 3-13

Sunday's match was another proud moment for our U9 girls! Despite the scorching heat, the team delivered an incredible defensive performance, working tirelessly to hold the line and support one another. The girls showed amazing spirit both on the field and from the sidelines, cheering loudly and encouraging every play. Subbing was quick, fair and well-organised, keeping everyone involved and focused right to the end. Even in tough conditions, their teamwork and effort never dropped — such a testament to their attitude and love for the game. So proud of every player for their commitment and resilience!

#### Under 9 Boys | Lily Foreman

Defeated by Redskins, 0-5

Today it was extremely hot and we had no subs, so we had to borrow some from the other team. They played amazingly; however, even though they were exhausted, there is a lot to take from the game. The boys were out there giving their best effort the whole time. Special shout-out to Arlo, who was awarded our coach's Player of the Match — he worked tirelessly in the sun, making the right touches and helping the team without wanting to sub off. He truly deserved it.

#### Under 8 Girls v Redskins Bows | Kayla Bartram

What a fantastic game from our U8 girls, playing in very hot conditions! Despite the heat, the girls gave it their all and showed amazing teamwork and determination. Delilah had a standout moment, scoring her first-ever try in touch. Charlotte led with confidence, making loud touch calls and chasing down players tirelessly, keeping the team organised. Summer was on fire, scoring a few great tries and giving an incredible all-round effort. Every player pushed through the heat with smiles and spirit. Awesome work, girls!

#### **Under 8 Boys v Sharks Grey | Tasman Paas**

On Sunday, the boys were back on the field against Sharks Grey. Building on Friday's performance, they played with confidence, passing the ball well and supporting each other in attack and defence. Their hard work paid off with a well-earned victory by one try. Overall, it was a fantastic weekend of touch, with every player contributing and showing significant improvement.

#### Under 7 Boys v Sharks Black | Ruben Singham

The U7 boys put in a great effort this week against Sharks Black. The team showed lots of energy and enthusiasm throughout the game. Every week their confidence and teamwork continue to grow. Well done to all the players for their hard work and positive attitude!





## Club Touch Football Awards Night

We are delighted to invite you to the 2025 Touch Presentation Awards, where we will celebrate the achievements, sportsmanship and spirit of our Grammar Touch players.

Please find the official invitation below, which includes all event details. We look forward to an evening of recognition and celebration with our players, families and coaches.

Please click here to RSVP for guests only (maximum of two per player) by Monday, 16 November 2025.



#### Draw

Please click here to view the latest draw

#### **Important Dates**

Term	Week	Date	Event
3	6	Thursday, 21 August	Touch Season Starts
3	7	Friday, 29 August	Co-Curricular Photos - North Ward Campus
4	3	Sunday, 26 October	Play Sunday instead of Thursday
4	4	Sunday, 2 November	Play Sunday instead of Thursday
4	6	Thursday, 13 November	Elimination Finals
4	7	Friday, 21 November	Grand Finals
4	7	Saturday, 22 November	Club Touch Football Awards Night - North Ward Gymnasium





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