

Student Sports Spotlight

This week we feature Boy's 1st XI Football player Taine Wilson. Taine is a year 12 student, who is a key member of the 1st XI. He was nominated by Director of Football and Boys 1st XI Coach Mr. Smith.

We asked Taine a few questions about his football journey at Mount Albert Grammar and what he has been doing during the lockdown:



1. How did you get into the sport/s you currently play?

Parents signed me up to play with my friends when I was 5. Enjoyed it, so have been playing ever since.

2. What do you like best about playing sport for MAGS?

Representing so many people that I see almost every day.

3. Who has been your biggest influence and why?

My Dad. He taught me how to play football and always helps me with football when I need it.

4. To date what has been your biggest highlight in your chosen sport/s?

Winning the 13 Knockout Cup for MAGS with my mates.

5. How did you feel when the football season ended suddenly and tournament week was cancelled for the second straight season?

I was gutted, especially last season as it was my first season in the 1st XI and it was stopped halfway through the season. On top of that, we had a really good team and I thought we had a decent chance of winning the league and doing well at Nationals. This season, as we only had one more game left in the league, it wasn't too bad, but I was disappointed that I couldn't go away with the boys to nationals for a second year running.

6. How have you managed to stay active during the lockdown period?

I have been recovering from an injury, so haven't been doing all too much, just mainly some strengthening exercises.

7. What has been the hardest challenge during the lockdown period?

Consistently doing schoolwork when there's so many other things I'd rather be doing at home.

8. What are you looking forward to the most after the lockdown period?

Seeing my friends and family.

9. What are your personal goals for the remainder of 2021 and beyond?

For the remainder of this year, I would like to finish with good academic success. Beyond 2021, I'm aiming to study in America after I finish school.