



SPORTS REPORT

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SPORTS RESULTS

Colours

Rugby - Jack N, James M, Nico J , Rob B, Will B, Oliver A

Hockey - Anna H, Poppy C and Tilly G

Special Mention

Running - Sedbergh Junior Girls Crowned National Silver Medallists!

Rugby

Boys U18A v Millfield School (H) Won 40-19

With the TSC Championship on the line for the winner, The atmosphere and anticipation built superbly, after a strong block of senior matches which created the perfect stage for another special occasion on busk.

Sedbergh started the match with outstanding intent, setting the tone from the opening whistle. Accurate execution, physical dominance, and composure in key moments allowed the home side to take control early, building sustained pressure across the field. Four well-constructed tries, each converted, saw Sedbergh head into halftime with a commanding 28–0 lead.

The second half followed a similar pattern initially, with Sedbergh continuing to dictate territory and tempo. Another strong spell extended the advantage to 40 points. Millfield, to their credit, showed real character in the final quarter. Their late surge produced three deserved tries, adding intensity to the closing stages and testing Sedbergh’s defensive resolve. The match finished 40–19, reflecting Sedbergh’s excellent start and overall control, while acknowledging Millfield’s resilience. It was a performance full of quality, and another valuable step in the squad’s continued development.

Boys U18B v Millfield School (H) Won 40-5

Sedbergh’s 2nd XV produced a powerful all-round performance to claim an impressive 40–5 victory over a strong Millfield side.

Millfield began the first half with real intent, showing hunger in attack and executing their plays with precision. Their early dominance was rewarded when a well-constructed driving maul powered over for the opening score. The try acted as a much-needed wake-up call for Sedbergh, who had been slow to match Millfield’s early intensity.

From that moment, the momentum shifted dramatically. Sedbergh grew into the game, asserting themselves through aggressive defensive sets and confident attacking phases. Their pressure told as they crossed for three unanswered tries before the interval, establishing firm control of the match.

The second half followed a similar pattern. Millfield continued to threaten with waves of attack, but Sedbergh’s defensive organisation and physicality repeatedly shut them down. Every challenge Millfield posed was met with composed, disciplined tackling and strong breakdown work.

In attack, Sedbergh remained clinical, adding further scores to push their tally to 40 points—a notable achievement at any level. Yet perhaps the most impressive aspect of the performance was conceding just a single try against such a talented Millfield squad. It was a clear statement about the strength, depth, and resilience of this Sedbergh 2nd XV group.

A commanding win built on character, defence, and precision.

Boys U18C v Millfield School (H) Won 42-21

The 3rds played one of their best games of the season against a good Millfield team who had a pacy backline. Millfield scored first when their left winger broke away and scored from his own half. The 3rds countered with a couple of tries of their own to go in at half time 14-7 ahead. Millfield tired in the second half and the 3rds bench made a huge impact to finish the game off and complete a convincing win.

Boys U18D v Millfield School (H) Won 33-0

The 4XV took on a physical Millfield side, and due to the conditions it became predominantly a forward dominated game, with lots of carries. However, when the ball did reach the wings, Sedbergh made good ground. By remaining patient and looking after the ball, Sedbergh were able to score several well-worked tries in the first half, taking an impressive lead, supported by some consistent conversions. In the second half, Sedbergh remained the dominant team. With some unusual kicking strategies also employed, Sedbergh were able to finish the game with a 33-0 win.

Boys U16Av Millfield School (A) Won 27-10

Sedbergh travelled to Millfield for their final fixture of the season, taking to the prestigious Sir Gareth Edwards First XV pitch with a clear sense of purpose. After narrow and frustrating defeats to Warwick and Wellington, this was a chance to finish the campaign in style.

Sedbergh started brightly, immediately applying pressure inside the Millfield 22. Their early dominance was rewarded when they converted a penalty to take a 3-0 lead. The opening exchanges were tight, with both sides showing strong defensive organisation, but it was Sedbergh who struck next.

Following a spell of determined defending in their own 22, Sedbergh turned defence into attack. Excellent work from George M, who broke the line and produced a well-timed offload, sent Reuben C over for the first try of the match. With the conversion, Sedbergh extended their advantage to 10-0.

However, a loose pass deep in Sedbergh territory handed Millfield an opportunistic try, bringing the score back to 10-7 and shifting momentum temporarily. Sedbergh responded superbly. In the final minutes of the half, they pieced together a patient, multi-phase passage of play that stretched the Millfield defence. The pressure finally told when George M finished smartly in the corner, giving Sedbergh a deserved 15-7 lead at the break.

Sedbergh came out firing in the second period. A sharp early move saw Reuben C cross for his second try of the afternoon, extending the lead and reinforcing Sedbergh's control of the game.

The next phase of the match saw Millfield launching sustained attacks inside the Sedbergh 22, but the visitors' defense was excellent. Wave after wave was repelled, with tireless work from the pack and sharp organisation across the pitch. Eventually, Millfield did manage to break through for a try, keeping themselves within touching distance.

Any nerves were settled, though, when Reuben C completed an excellent hat-trick, finishing another decisive Sedbergh attack and widening the gap once more. From there, Sedbergh managed the closing stages effectively, securing a well-earned 27-10 victory.

Alongside the try-scorers, special mention must go to Henry H and George H, whose relentless work rate in both defence and attack was instrumental throughout.

It wasn't a perfect performance—there were moments where accuracy slipped and pressure invited—but in the spells where Sedbergh played their brand of rugby, they looked sharp and dangerous. More importantly, it was a memorable and fitting finale for this U16 group in their last 15-a-side outing together before stepping into JBS and senior school rugby in the new year. A huge congratulations to all the players involved. This season has been a positive and progressive one, building strong foundations and valuable lessons that will serve the group well as they move into the next chapter of their rugby journey.



Boys U16B v Millfield School (A) Lost 19-14

A2 suffered a tough loss against Millfield on the Sir Gareth Edwards Pitch. Despite dominating possession and field position, A2 could not quite get the win against a prosaic Millfield side. The penalty count was stacked high against A2, particularly in the opposition 22. Some life lessons will have been learnt by the side, admirably captained by F Bruce. R Stephens' work rate at the breakdown and hard carries was phenomenal, and C Bentley was the standout player of the match.

Boys U15A v Millfield School (A) Lost 26-12

Colts B were second best away at Millfield and did not play to their potential, having known that they would need to repeat the quality of their performance at St Peter's in the cup to compete with one of the strongest sides in the country.

Millfield found space too easily from set piece and the running lines of their athletic back line led to line breaks and scores. The hosts' defensive efforts were also superb, gaining in confidence and energy every time they repelled the stronger Sedbergh ball carriers. The Brown storm that had ripped through York a week earlier never materialised for more than a few minutes at a time and Millfield dominated proceedings in the first period.

Millfield led 12-0 at the break and then extended their lead with another score before Sedbergh began to play with greater fluidity and intensity. A Rorke A line break led to a score for Harry P and then a later excellent solo effort from Rorke reeled Millfield in to within 7 points. With a few minutes remaining, Sedbergh had hopes of stealing a draw, but fluffed their lines at the kick off and Millfield capitalised, ultimately scoring from the resulting possession.

Boys U14A v Millfield School (A) Lost 42-26

Sedbergh travelled to Millfield after a strong cup win the week before. The side started strongly with a try almost immediately from KO. The two teams then exchanged scores throughout the half. The half time score shows how finely balanced the contest had been with Sedbergh just in the lead.

Half time - Millfield 25-26 Sedbergh

The second half saw Millfield spread out in defence and Sedbergh go flat in attack. This led to much of the game being played in the Sedbergh half and the young team doing much of the defending. Although Millfield scored a number of tries in this half to take the game away from the Sedbergh team it really was a great contest.

The development of this team has been a pleasure to watch, and the performances have grown and grown over the season. While result may have not reflected this development the performance levels and team spirit certainly have. We now look forward to our Cup game with Scarborough College on Tuesday.

Boys U18B v Loretto School Boys U18A (A) Won 43-7

The 2nd XV travelled up to Edinburgh for their final match of what has been a tough season. Riding a strong run of form, Sedbergh were determined to finish the year on a high — and they certainly delivered.

Sedbergh burst out of the blocks, scoring three unanswered tries within the opening 10 minutes. All three came from well-executed set plays and excellent contributions across the team. Loretto managed to hit back with a try of their own following some uncharacteristically poor tackling and discipline from Sedbergh.

After the break, however, Sedbergh re-established control. A defensively solid and dynamic attacking display saw them extend the score to 43 points while keeping Loretto scoreless throughout the second half — an impressive feat away from home.

It was fantastic to see all seven Year 13 pupils take the field in their final match in the brown jersey, and hopefully the Year 12s can draw inspiration from their leadership and commitment.

A big congratulations to:

Joe F (Winder House)

Lucas M (Evans House)

on receiving their 2nd Team colours.

Boys U15B v Loretto School Boys U15A (A) Lost 21-19

A trip to Scotland for an international final fixture.

Unfortunately Sedbergh made a poor start to the game. Poor defensive alignment and a couple of poor decisions saw us 21 points down in very short order.

Now to see if we've learnt some resilience. Sedbergh bounced back, found our attacking structure and began to ask questions. Likewise the defence went hunting and made some big tackles. We were back in the game and 2 tries before half time closed things up to 21-14.

Playing up a slope in the second half meant we had some big defensive stints again but found the chance to attack from deep when we had the ball. Finally we created an opportunity to score but too wide out for the conversion. In the end a narrow defeat but the result will be soon forgotten. The resilience and willingness to work as a team hopefully won't.





Boys U14B v Loretto School Boys U14A (A) Won 31-0

A fantastic performance for our final match of the season saw C2 run out worthy winners against a physically bigger Loretto 'A' Team. We were combative at the breakdown from the outset, retaining possession well. We moved the ball into the wider channels and were able to break down the Loretto defence with excellent support play. Though the game was tight at half time, the team showed great resilience and determination in the second half, and were rewarded with 4 tries after the break. A fitting way to end the season, and a huge well done to all the boys that played.

Hockey

Girls U18A v Millfield School (H) Lost 6-2

A very disappointing result that wasn't a reflection on the overall game. But, totally reflected the difference in chance completion between the two sides.

While Sedbergh squandered chances after chance Millfield were surgical in the D. Scoring from 4 of their first 5 penalty corners Millfield looked safe at 4-0 in the third quarter before a spirited Sedbergh fit back with goals from Evans and then Glover giving the home side the prospect of a comeback. However, in the final 6 minutes two more goals for the away side put a somewhat flattering score line on a game where Sedbergh more than held their own for long periods.

Girls U16A v Millfield School (H) Lost 4-3

The U16 clash between Sedbergh and Midfield proved to be a tightly contested and highly entertaining encounter. Sedbergh opened the match with strong intent, dominating the first quarter and capitalising early with a well-taken goal to seize a 1-0 lead.

Midfield responded with determination, gradually settling into the game and finding an equaliser to make it 1-1. Their momentum continued as they pushed forward to take a 2-1 advantage, but Sedbergh reacted swiftly, scoring soon after to level the match at 2-2. The second half was end-to-end, with both teams creating chances and both defences being heavily tested. Spectators were treated to fast transitions, committed challenges, and an exciting display of youth hockey.

Midfield managed to edge ahead again, eventually extending their lead to 4-3. Sedbergh mounted late pressure and appeared to have found the equaliser, but the umpires disallowed the goal, leaving the final score at 4-3 in favour of Midfield. It was a spirited performance from both sides and a match full of energy, skill, and drama from start to finish.

Girls U14A v Millfield School (A) Lost 8-2

The U14A girls started well against Millfield, managing to get the ball up the field a few times in the first 10 minutes. Unfortunately, after we conceded a couple soft goals Millfield took control of the rest of the first half. In the second half we managed to create plenty more momentum and managed to score 2 goals of our own, showing we could up our level to Millfield's.

Girls U18A v The Grammar School at Leeds (A) Won 3-0

If Wednesday was disappointing for Sedbergh Thursdays Tier 1 match away at GSAL wasn't any better. Unfortunately, the game played out to a familiar script. Sedbergh creating chance after chance with out troubling the scorers only for GSAL to go down the other end and score with their first shot on goal.

Vincent as the stand in Goal Keeper made some great saves but it was in the other D where the game was lost, shots going wide, straight at the keeper or the final pass just going astray.

If Sedbergh want to get anything from the remaining matches they must start to link in the D.

Girls U15A v Scarborough College (A) Lost 5-1

The U15A team faced an exceptionally fast and physical Scarborough side in what proved to be one of the most intense fixtures of the season. The pace of the game in the opening minutes took Sedbergh by surprise and Scarborough capitalised quickly, scoring two early goals. Despite the challenging start, Sedbergh showed real grit and pushed forward with determination. Their persistence paid off when E McCollum found the back of the net, giving Sedbergh a deserved boost. The first half ended 4-1 to Scarborough, but the team's resilience was clear.

The second half told a very different story. Sedbergh regrouped brilliantly, matching Scarborough in both pace and physicality. The girls fought hard for every ball, displaying impressive teamwork, composure, and commitment across the pitch. It was an incredibly even half and arguably the best performance the U15A side has produced all season. A huge well done to all the girls for their hard work, determination, and refusal to give up. A tough match, but an outstanding team effort.

Girls U14A v Scarborough College (A) Lost 1-0

On Saturday the U14A's took on their final match of the season, against a decent Scarborough team. Scarborough went 1-0 up in the first half, with a very good centre mid running the show. The Sedbergh girls had created chances in the first half but really stepped it up in the second half. A performance that deserved a win for our U14's but not to be.

Netball

Girls U18A v Millfield School (A) Lost 47-26

Sedbergh and Millfield produced another thrilling encounter, living up to the reputation this fixture always carries. Sedbergh started brightly, moving the ball with confidence and applying early pressure, but a handful of key errors in transition allowed Millfield to swing the momentum. Once behind, Sedbergh found themselves chasing the game against a well-organised Millfield side who capitalised effectively on their opportunities.

Despite the result going Millfield's way, the performance offered plenty of positives for Sedbergh. The match highlighted valuable lessons and key areas for improvement as the team moves forward, ensuring this contest becomes a meaningful stepping stone for growth in the season ahead. A great fixture between the two sides and thank you to Millfield for hosting us so well.

Girls U18B v Millfield School (A) Lost 51-19

Sedbergh began brightly, showing real resolve in defence with sharp tips from Penny at GK and relentless mid-court pressure from Martha at WD. A handful of misplaced feeds, combined with Millfield's tight one-on-one marking, saw us trail 3-11 by the end of the first quarter. Our response in the second quarter was outstanding, Sedbergh converted five unanswered goals in the opening seven minutes, but Millfield's tactical rotation of five players disrupted our flow and allowed them to pull away, extending their lead to 21-9.

Sedbergh continued to produce some excellent through-court passages of play, with notable interceptions from Daisy at C and Eleanor at GD, but we were unable to sustain momentum long enough to close the gap, with Millfield asserting their dominance in key moments. Despite the score line, it was a thrilling game to watch, with optimism, energy, and unwavering support for one another evident throughout. Although it was not the result we had hoped for, the Sedbergh spirit and work ethic never wavered.

Girls U18A v Queen Ethelburga's ISNC Round 3 (A) Won 28-26

Sedbergh faced Queen Ethelburga's in Round 3 of the ISNC, eager to build on the lessons from Wednesday's earlier match. From the first whistle, Sedbergh set a strong tone — applying great defensive pressure, turning over ball, and linking smartly through the court into confident, accurate shooting. That early cohesion allowed Sedbergh to edge ahead and control much of the momentum, showcasing clear improvement and intent.

Queen Ethelburga's, however, refused to fade and kept pushing back, narrowing the gap to just two goals and testing Sedbergh's composure in the closing stages. But Sedbergh held their nerve, stayed disciplined in possession, and closed out a well-earned win. The result secures their place in Round 4 after Christmas, a great way to end the netball here in the first term as we look to netball term next.

Running

English Schools Cross County National Finals (A)

Sedbergh Junior Girls Crowned National Silver Medallists!

Four Sedbergh teams – a joint record for the school – travelled to Rugby for the English Schools Cross Country Cup National Finals after qualifying superbly from the North West Regional Championships. Following a long, rain-lashed journey south on Friday, the squad settled into Hinckley for a quiet evening before heading to Princethorpe College the next morning.

Conditions on arrival were testing but manageable: very wet underfoot, yet underneath the top inch of slime the ground remained surprisingly firm. The course walk revealed a rolling, technical route with a mix of long climbs, sharp ramps, fast descents and several tight bottlenecks. Positioning would be crucial; so too would nerve and pacing. With 28 schools competing in every age category (113 different schools in total), this was as large and high-quality a school XC field as it is possible to assemble.

Junior Girls – 2nd Place - National Silver Medalists

The Sedbergh Prep Junior Girls arrived with confidence after dominating their Regional round, and they rose brilliantly to the occasion on the national stage. From the gun the brown vests were prominent near the front, running with maturity well beyond their years.

Led home by Maggie R (23rd) and Gabriella F (24th), with Ella C (28th) and Maia D (34th) packing tightly behind, the team produced one of Sedbergh's best-ever XC Cup performances.

Their combined score of 110 points set an early benchmark—and for a tantalising moment, the girls appeared in contention for the national title.

When the confirmed results came through, Sedbergh had finished a magnificent second out of 28 teams, narrowly missing gold by just four points to Guildford High School—who astonishingly swept all three girls' national titles.

A stunning achievement, and a historic moment for Sedbergh.

Intermediate Girls – 28th

With Lucia C (10R) ruled out through injury and a last-minute withdrawal reducing the team's experience level, this was always going to be a steep challenge. Still, the girls approached the race with admirable determination.

In a field of 28 of the strongest school squads in England, Minnie R (10C) led the team home in 101st, with the others bravely handling the heavy conditions. Notably, Esme L (9R) rolled her ankle early on but gritted her teeth and completed the course—an act of commitment typical of the Sedbergh spirit.

The race will serve as valuable learning as this young group continues to develop.

Senior Girls – 23rd

On a course that rewarded aggression and smart early positioning, Juliet P-L (12L) raced with composure and placed 37th, leading the Sedbergh girls' team to 23rd overall. The result reflects steady progress and the team's consistency throughout the season.

Senior Boys – 22nd

With the Senior Boys competing in one of the deepest fields of the day, Hugo B (12Sc) delivered another strong performance but was unable to bridge to the leading pack. George M (11H)—in superb form throughout the term—worked hard to finish 34th, an impressive achievement against many runners nearly two years older.

Further down the field, the rest of the team battled well but could not quite post the low scores needed to challenge the leading schools. Sedbergh placed 22nd of 28, gaining vital big-race experience.

A Day of Mixed Emotions, But Immense Pride

Sedbergh left Princethorpe College with:

- National Silver Medallists (Junior Girls)
- One of only two schools with four teams competing on the biggest stage in schools cross country
- Countless examples of courage, resilience and team spirit

The atmosphere around the venue was electric—hundreds of supporters, teachers and parents lining the course, cowbells ringing, and muddy runners emerging from every corner of the estate. It was everything a National Finals day should be.

Target Rifle

Mixed U18A Casterton Friendly (H) Won

We hosted 12 budding shooters from Casterton last week where they all gained a new familiarity with the facilities, disciplines and shooters at the senior school. During this time, we held a friendly match, with Sedbergh A winning with 711/800 points, Casterton A Second with 555, and Sedbergh B with 519 in third place. The top shot from Sedbergh was Chiyo with a solid 96. Despite the impressive win, the real take away was the gain of real match experience for both sides.



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