# NEWSLETTER

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CULNC wishes you a very happy holiday!

# BLUES CAPTAIN: IZZY HOWSE



The second half of Michaelmas has seen the Blues continue growing as a team both on and off the court (an 8pm centre pass away in Worcester really bonds you!). We had a couple of very tough fought matches, seemingly all against Loughborough teams (who we have played a total of five times this term!). An exceptionally well contested away match against Loughborough 4s saw us lose by only 1... but the following week, in our final match of the season, we came out all guns blazing and beat Loughborough 3s! A phenomenal effort from everyone and an incredible way to finish the calendar year and things are looking hugely positive going into next term! Merry Christmas from the Blues (and Lenny the Lion, our new mascot!).

The Jays have had such a strong end to the term, both on and off the court. As a team we have grown even closer than we already were, and that really reflects in our cohesion and passion when we play. Highlights include our emphatic cup match win over De Montfort 1s, and our incredibly tense draw against Leicester 1s in our final match of the season, which really showcased how our fitness and ballskills have improved. Special mention must go to Camille Phelps, who has been voted Player of the Match in every match she has played, and to Ellie Vaughan, who moved up into the Jays at the end of this term and has already made a huge impact! I am super excited for what next term will bring, and cannot wait to take on O\*ford at Varsity!

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### JAYS CAPTAIN: ISSY DAVEY





### SWALLOWS CAPTAINS: FRAN SHUTT AND ANNA THOMPSON

The Swallows have continued on their fine form from October throughout the rest of term - remaining unbeaten in our BUCS league. Despite an extremely unlucky extra time, one goal loss in the cup, we bounced back to beak Oxford Brookes 2s (again), and finished the term with a massive 55-32 win against Coventry 1s at home. We will keep working to improve our fitness over the Christmas holidays and look forward to our remaining BUCS matches and of course Varsity in Lent term.



The Wrens have gone from strength to strength with continued success throughout the second half of Michaelmas term, both in BUCS and in the Midlands Conference Trophy. In the first round of the trophy, CAPTAIN: LYDIA KHAN we played Birmingham City 2s on home territory, winning 48-41 and Sophie Hardman gaining POTM. The following week we travelled to Lincoln to plays their 4s in another BUCS game, comfortably winning 53-31, Liv Fitzpatrick winning POTM. The following Wednesday brought a long journey West for the Wrens to play Harper Adams in the next round of the Trophy. The journey proved worth it as the Wrens came away with a huge win of 71-30, with Bella Grimes picking up POTM and the Wrens progressing through to the quarter final of the Trophy against Derby towards the start of next term. In the penultimate match of the term, we played Lincoln 3s at home and winning 71-17, another POTM for Liv Fitzpatrick. This huge win set us in good to stead for the final match of the season, away against Bishop Grosseteste. Ending the season on a high we won 70-34, with Lydia Khan picking up POTM, a fantastic end to another undefeated term for the Wrens. We hope to continue this success into next term and looking forward towards Varsity.

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#### 22-23 FEBRUARY 2025

Varsity Dates have now been confirmed for 2025 with two full days of action. This will include matches featuring our main CULNC squad, Robins, and a showcase Alumni match! We look forward to seeing you there!









Above: Pictures From Blues Match vs Loughborough 3s Photo Credits: Dik Ng



