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Sherborne International College 63 – 27 Sturminster Newton

The International College came away from the court pleased after a solid performance and victory against a young Sturminster side.

The young opposition gave Mr Clarke and Mr Dalton a chance to give starts and more game time to those players who have often been warming the bench. Although the away team was younger and less experienced, their determination and attitude coming in to the game was superb. From the outset Sturminster's willingness to attack on the fast break was evident, which caused problems for the slow starting and somewhat dazed International College boys. After a shaky start to the match The International College began to show their greater experience which, coupled with a height advantage proved to be a deadly combination. A lead soon opened up with some great rebound work offensively, most notably from Brian who notched up 15 points in the game. This now takes Brian's tally to 72 points for the season, consistently scoring well in every game.

As the away team began to tire, opportunities soon opened up for the likes of Christopher (9 points), Yete (18

points) and Phillip (13 points) to score a large amount of points driving to the basket and cutting through Sturminster's zone defence.

Notable mention must go to Alvin, Jason, Ken (who was playing in his first match for the school) and Terry who helped cement the lead, with some good movement and passing around the key setting up opportunities for others to score points. These boys responded well to the increased game time and responsibility, all putting in good performances for the team.

Overall the International College coaches and players were pleased with the performance in what was a thoroughly enjoyable game. It was great to see real improvement from both teams, since their last meeting, and one hopes that this improvement carries on in to next season to create mouth-watering matchups between these two sides.

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Team

Brian, Alvin, Phillip, Charles, Yete, Christopher, Jason, Terry, Ken