

Moate Community School show passion against Gallen

MCS 23, GCS 16

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Moate Community School Started their 3rd year basketball campaign off against a strong Gallen side in Gallen Community School of Ferbane, on Wednesday the Nov 19th. The throw in was at ten forty five and Gallen wasted no time putting pressure on the Moate defence, but with several missed shots, Moate respond well with a great three point play from Caroline Casey. Moate took full advantage of the lead and went straight down the court with Rachel Maguire adding another two baskets, making the score seven to no score in favour of Moate. Gallen showed their team strength and scored a sweet basket for two points. Gallen Community School started the second quarter the same as the first adding great pressure to the Moate side, but once again MCS showed great determination by adding a further two points. Likewise Gallen responded, bringing the score to an excellent nine points to four at the end of the half.

Moate were put under a lot of pressure as the home team score two baskets giving Gallen four quick points. Once again Moate showed great strength through Laura Woods and Nicole O'Connor creating a score. But their opponents refused to lie down as they took the lead for the first time as the score shoreline shows there is only three points in it. Gallen seemed to be in the driving seat by creating great chances, but Moate refuse to throw in the towel with great encouragement from the coaching staff Louise Costello and Aoife Halligan, they score another basket and at the end of the third quarter Moate seem right back in it with only two baskets in it as the score line stood twelve sixteen in favour of the Ferbane ladies. It was easy to see the belief in the Moate girls as they fought to the last with great baskets' from each team. With Laura Maguire scoring another basket MCS were preparing all present for a terrific ending, as Gallen scored two baskets which gave the away team confidence to go on and win by three baskets with a score line of sixteen to twenty-three. Moate third year basketball has never looked more promising as these young athletes showed great fighting spirit.

MCS Team: 4.Rachel Maguire 5.Laura Keely 6.Laura Woods 7.Caroline Casey 8.Laura Daly 9.Kelly Lei Lowery 10.Karen McManus 11.Michelle Costello 12.Nicole O Connor 13.Eimear Young 14.Lisa King 15.Sinead Holloway