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Hunter Region Cricket Carnival

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Last Wednesday 23rd October the Irrawang Academy took part in the inaugural Hunter Region Clontarf Cricket Carnival which consisted of academy teams from Singleton, Toronto, Hunter River and last but not least, carnival hosts Newcastle High.

This carnival was held at the Newcastle Indoor Sports Centre and the decision to hold it indoors was well received by all and an excellent way to introduce a lot of our boys to their first experience with the great game of cricket.

I really enjoyed watching all the different natural style of cricketing skills shown by our boys - some really good, others not so affluent and a few downright hilarious - but each and every one of them had a lot of fun getting in and having a go with their brothers from around the region.

After a quick lunch it was time for a recovery session, soak and swim at the Merewether Ocean Baths to cool off. If you haven't been there be sure to add it to your itinerary next time you're in Newcastle. It's definitely a must do activity, the boys will love it!

The Irrawang boys are already looking forward to the rest of the term getting into the nets to practice and develop their skills in preparation for a more competitive carnival next year and maybe even bring home the shield.

