

IASAS Basketball at Its Best



Gene Magill coaching his last IASAS basketball tournament with JIS. Gene will be at Taipei American School next school year.



The Cilandak campus had an atmosphere of high enthusiasm as fans packed into gyms were treated to the thrills and drama of an IASAS basketball tournament. Hosting the tournament for only the third time in the history of the league, the JIS boys and girls teams gave the fans their best as they played with skill and passion that lead both teams to the finals. For the boys it was for the first time since 1998. For the girls it was the eighth consecutive time they had reached the finals and the eleventh in the past 12 years.

On the evening of the final games, the New Gym was packed with a standing room only crowd as they rocked the house in support of their Dragons. The JIS boys put up a valiant fight against Singapore, but could not overcome an early deficit and fell 80 to 66. In the second game, the JIS girls took an early lead, but a tenacious team from Taipei American School refused to give up and fought back. Only two points separated the two teams with 24 seconds left. JIS had the ball, but failed to convert. Last second fouls gave TAS a 63 to 59 victory and the gold medal.

A disappointing end for our boys and girls but the crowd slowly departed the gym with an admiration for the hoopsters from JIS and with the knowledge that they had witnessed basketball at its best.

All tournament selections for 2008 were Brandon Kennedy, Joseph MacEwen, Alley Heffern and Milan Gaida.

Olga Osterlund
Friend of JIS
Photos by Scotty Graham





Some fans in full regalia cheering their Dragons.



Makin' some noize!

