

# HHFSS CLINCH U16 MIDLANDS PLATE FINAL VICTORY WITH 17-8 WIN



## **U16 Midlands Plate Final: Holy Family Secondary School vs. Borrisokane Community College**

The match got off to an exciting start. In the opening minute, Beth O'Donoghue scored a quick basket, assisted by a precise pass from Elaine Ihrue. Mary Uchendu made an important interception shortly after. Borrisokane CC responded strongly, leveling the score with 3 minutes remaining in the first quarter. However, HFSS quickly regained the lead. With great teamwork, Mary scored, increasing the lead by two points. Elaine then added another basket, bringing the score to 6-2. Beth quickly added another basket, pushing the lead to 8-2 with just 30 seconds left. The second quarter began with a substitution as Clodagh Fagan came in for Mary. Both teams continued to battle hard, showcasing strong skills and teamwork. HFSS extended their lead to 10-2. Solid defending by Clodagh and Elaine kept Borrisokane CC from scoring. However, the opposition managed to get on the board, narrowing the score to 10-4. As the second quarter came to a close the HFSS extended their lead to 12-4.

HFSS picked up the pace during the third quarter. The team worked together to move the ball up the court and Elaine brought the score to 14-4 after a determined effort. Borrisokane CC managed to score with less than a minute remaining, bringing the score to 14-6 at the end of the third quarter. The final quarter began with Borrisokane CC scoring a quick basket, narrowing the score to 14-8. The opposition was awarded a free throw, but HFSS regained possession immediately. With 4 minutes remaining, the supporters cheered on the hardworking HFSS team. HFSS extended their lead to 16-8. Ella returned to the court, bringing fresh energy to the team. Beth was fouled, and a free throw for HFSS resulted in a score, bringing the lead to 17-8 with just 1 minute remaining. Tess and Sophie came on to finish the match strong. The final whistle blew with HFSS winning the Midlands Plate Final with a dominant 17-8 victory.