

RISING STAR PROFILE

Name: Sydnee Wilkins Yr: 13

NICKNAME – Skids

CHOSEN SPORT – Rugby, 7's, Touch, Athletics **SPECIALIST POSITIONS** – Fullback, centres (rugby)

CURRENT TEAMS PLAYING FOR – New Zealand 7's under 18 training squad, Motueka HS Girls 1st 15 and 7's, Tasman Women's 15's and 7's teams, Athletics Academy, MHS Mixed Touch team, Tasman u18 Mixed Touch team, Tasman Mako Women's 15's FPC teams.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS – MVP of National Sir Gordon Titjens 7's tournament and selected in NZ under 18's 7's training squad.

THE BEST THING ABOUT BEING A RUGBY PLAYER IS – playing as part of a team, meeting new people and learning new plays.

THE WORST THING ABOUT BEING A RUGBY PLAYER IS – sore body after games.

THE MOST STIMULATING MOMENT EVER EXPERIENCED WHEN PLAYING WAS - when our MHS team played against CHCH girls at sports park and the whole school came to support.

MY MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT WHEN PLAYING WAS – my pants got pulled down in a tackle.

THE BEST PLACE I'VE EVER TOURED IS – All over NZ but going to Gold Coast in September for rugby.

WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR PROUDEST MOMENT – Winning the 4x400m at athletics nationals twice

IF THERE IS ONE TEAM YOU WOULD LIKE TO BEAT WHO IS IT ? – Southland Girls or Hamilton girls in 15s and 7s.

WHO WOULD YOU LIKE AS A ROLE MODEL? – Beauden Barrett or Kelly Brazier.

THE HARDEST THING ABOUT TRAINING IS – getting up early for morning trainings or training late at night when you're tired.

THE BEST ADVICE MY PARENTS EVER GAVE ME WAS – to back myself and be a team player.

IF THERE IS ONE THING I REALLY HATE IT IS – injuries

I'D HATE TO BE WITHOUT – my friends.

I THINK A GOOD MOTTO FOR LIFE IS – work hard and the rewards will come

FAVOURITE FOOD – pizza

BEST FAVOURITE MOVIE EVER - Scooby Doo

WHAT DOES LIFE BRING AFTER FINISHING SECONDARY SCHOOL - Hopefully continuing my sport with either a gap year before studying at uni or going straight into it.