

General:

- Great job this season at practices
- Some were pushed harder than they had been in the past
- Strokes improved and became legal
- Swimmers got out of their comfort zone and competed in races they were not used to and then focused on there races for Sectionals/State

St. Paul's and Davidson Meet Highlights:

Everyone swam well (especially our swimmers new to the sport):

- Brooke Burroughs placed 8th and Bethany Kilgore placed 9th in the 100 yard Freestyle
- Luke Webster placed 2nd and Nick Reed placed 6th in the 100 yard Freestyle
- Freya Flint placed 6th and Victoria Daniel place 7th in the 100 yard Breaststroke
- Luke Webster placed 5th and Cameron Bartle placed 6th in the 100 yard Breaststroke
- Morgan Mangum placed 1st and Katie Shook placed 6th in the 100 yard Backstroke
- Austin Sullivan placed 2nd and Paul King placed 3rd in the 100 yard Backstroke
- Morgan Mangum placed 2nd in the 100 yard Butterfly
- Jordan Porter placed 6th and Julius Garrett placed 8th in the 100 yard Butterfly
- Brooke Burroughs placed 8th in the 50 yard Freestyle
- Houston Webster placed 6th and Nick Reed placed 7th in the 50 yard Freestyle

9th Annual Gulf Coast Classic Meet:

- Brooke Burroughs, earned a sectional cut in the 100 yard freestyle
- Houston Webster, earned a sectional cut in the 50 yard freestyle
- Morgan Mangum, placed 3rd in the 200 yard freestyle, earning a sectional cut as well as a state cut (although this time must be made at the sectional meet in November). She also won the 200 yard individual medley, also earning a sectional cut as well as a state cut
- Other swimmers qualified for this meet; however, it was our Homecoming

UMS Meet (7 teams competed – UMS, Baker, Davidson (2 teams), Satsuma, Bayside, and Murphy)

Baker Girls were 2nd behind UMS, Baker Boys were 2nd behind Davidson, and Baker Combined were 2nd behind UMS (by only 9 points!)

Boys 200 Medley A Relay (Houston Webster, Luke Webster, Jordan Porter, and Paul King) placed 2nd.

Luke Webster placed 2nd in the 200 IM earning a sectional cut.

Nick Reed placed 2nd in the 50 Free earning a sectional cut.

Morgan Mangum placed 1st in the 100 Fly (already has a sectional/state cut).

Jordan Porter placed 3rd in the 100 Fly.

Boys 200 Freestyle A Relay (Nick Reed, Houston Webster, Jordan Porter, and Luke Webster) placed 2nd.

Morgan Mangum placed 1st in the 100 Back (already has a sectional/state cut).

Cameron Bartle placed 2nd in the 100 Back.

Luke Webster placed 2nd in the 100 Breast.

Girls 400 Freestyle A Relay (Bethany Kilgore, Freya Flint, Brooke Burroughs, and Morgan Mangum) placed 1st and the B Relay (Katie Shook, Annadora Strom, Mikalah Waldon, and Kaitlin Simmonds) placed 3rd.

Boys 400 Freestyle A Relay (Cameron Bartle, Kevin McBeath, Andon Ellzey, and Paul King) placed 2nd.

Most swimmers dropped time (meaning they swam faster than the last meet) – a few swam 5 seconds or more faster – Humzah Almashni, Tommie Henry, Haylei Pineda, Kaitlin Simmons, Clark Wheeler (both events), and Luke Webster.

5th Annual Spooky Splash Highlights:

The Girls team was 6th out of 10 schools, the Boys team was 5th out of 12 schools (1 point behind St. Paul's), and 5th out of 12 schools combined. Sectional cuts were made by:

- Cameron Bartle, Houston Webster, Luke Webster in the 50 yard freestyle
- Andon Ellzey, Nick Reed, Wilson Ricks, Luke Webster in the 100 yard freestyle

The following swimmers won their heats and were awarded highly coveted Spooky Splash caps:

- Cameron Bartle, Brooke Burroughs, Andon Ellzey, Tommie Henry, Paul King, Thomas Patterson, Nick Reed, Kylie Rester, Wilson Ricks, Austin Sullivan, Houston Webster, Luke Webster Clark Wheeler

Diver, Stella Byars placed 6th out of 9 divers in her first competitive dive meet earning 9 points for the team.

Battle of the Bay Highlights:

Against Fairhope, Daphne, Davidson, St. Michael, and Spanish Fort. The team's focus had shifted towards qualifying for the Sectional Meet, therefore, we did not score as many points as we had in previous meets. Sectional times/cuts were made by the following swimmers:

- 50 Freestyle: Cameron Bartle, Thomas Patterson, Nick Reed, Austin Sullivan, and Houston Webster
- 100 Freestyle: Nick Reed, Luke Webster, and Brooke Burroughs (4th place)
- 100 Butterfly: Morgan Mangum (3rd place)

Other impressive swims were by Bethany Kilgore (3rd in the 500 Freestyle and 7th in the 100 Breaststroke) and Jordan Porter (8th in the 500 Freestyle and the 100 Butterfly)

Fairhope Invitational Meet:

The girls team placed 2nd out of 13 teams and the boys team placed 3rd out of 14 teams. Combined the teams were 3rd out of 15 teams.

Here are some highlights from the meet:

- Girls 200 Yard Medley A Relay placed 5th (Morgan Mangum, Bethany Kilgore, Brook Burroughs, Freya Fline) and the B Relay placed 10th (Katie Shook, Amelia Dunn, Tatiana Avalos Kaitlin Simmons)
- Boys 200 Yard Medley A Relay placed 3rd (Aiden Earheart, Luke Webster, Thomas Patterson, Nick Reed) and the B Relay placed 7th (Landon Liles, Cameron Bartle, Jordan Porter, Houston Webster)
- Bethany Kilgore placed 4th and Brooke Burroughs placed 6th the 200 Yard Freestyle
- Luke Webster placed 6th and Nick Reed placed 9th in the 200 Yard Freestyle earning a sectional time
- Andon Ellzey placed 3rd and Houston Webster placed 4th in the 200 Yard Individual Medley
- Brooke Burroughs earned a sectional time in the 50 Yard Freestyle
- Morgan Mangum placed 5th in the 50 Yard Freestyle and 3rd in the 100 Yard Freestyle earning sectional times in both events
- Tatiana Avalos placed 7th and Thomas Patterson placed 9th in the 100 Yard Butterfly

- Bethany Kilgore placed 3rd and Luke Webster placed 6th in the 500 Yard Freestyle
- Girls 200 Yard Freestyle A Relay placed 9th (Mikalah Waldon, Amelia Dunn, Victoria Daniel, Tatiana Avalos)
- Boys 200 Yard Freestyle A Relay placed 3rd (Luke Webster, Paul King, Houston Webster, Nick Reed) and the B Relay placed 7th (Wilson Ricks, Cameron Bartle, Andon Ellzey, Thomas Patterson)
- Freya Flint placed 9th and Houston Webster placed 4th in the 100 Yard Breaststroke
- Girls 400 Yard Freestyle A Relay placed 3rd (Brooke Burroughs, Freya Flint, Bethany Kilgore, Morgan Mangum) and the B Relay placed 6th (Victoria Daniel, Tommie Henry, Kylie Rester, Mikalah Waldon)
- Boys 400 Yard Freestyle A Relay placed 4th (Andon Ellzey, Paul King, Wilson Ricks, Aiden Earheart) and the B Relay placed 7th (Kevin McBeath, Clark Wheeler, Landon Liles, Julius Garrett)

Sectional Qualifiers:

8th graders:

Andon Ellzey qualified 50 free, swam 100 free

Mikalah Waldon 200 Free Relay & 400 Free Relay

Freshman: Brooke Burroughs qualified and swam both the 50 free and 100 free, 200 Medley Relay, 400 Free Relay

Sophomore: Luke Webster qualified for the 200 Free, 200 IM, 50 Free, 100 Free, 100 Breast – swam 50 free, 200 Medley Relay, and 200 Free Relay

Juniors:

Freya Flint 200 Medley Relay

Bethany Kilgore 200 Medley Relay, 200 Free Relay, 400 Free Relay

Morgan Mangum qualified in all events except the 500 Free and 100 Breast – did not race these – swam 200 Medley Relay, 200 Free Relay, 100 Fly, and 100 Back

Thomas Patterson 50 Free, 200 Free Relay, alternate for the 200 Medley Relay

Houston Webster qualified for 100 free and 50 Free, swam 50 free, 200 Medley Relay, and 200 Free relay

Julius Garrett qualified 50 free

Seniors:

Cameron Bartle qualified 50 free and 100 free, swam 100 Free and 200 Medley Relay

Jordan Porter swam 200 Medley Relay

Nick Reed qualified 50 free and 100 free, swam 50 Free, 200 Medley Relay, and 200 Free Relay

Wilson Ricks qualified 50 free and 100 free, swam 200 Free Relay

Katie Shook swam 200 Free Relay and 400 Free Relay

Austin Sullivan qualified 50 free

Sectional Highlights:

Baker High School placed 9th at the Sectional Swim meet

State qualifiers:

Boys 200 yard Medley Relay team: Cameron Bartle, Jordan Porter, Nick Reed, Houston Webster, Luke Webster (7th)

Boys 200 yard Freestyle Relay team: Thomas Patterson, Nick Reed, Wilson Ricks, Houston Webster, Luke Webster (6th)

Individual qualifiers: Morgan Mangum 100 yard Butterfly (2nd) and 100 yard Backstroke (2nd), Luke Webster 50 yard Freestyle (5th)

Other notable FINALS races from Saturday: Nick Reed placed 7th in the 50 yard Freestyle and the Girls 200 yard Medley Relay (Morgan Mangum, Bethany Kilgore, Brooke Burroughs, Freya Flint) placed 6th and the Girls 200 yard Freestyle Relay (Bethany Kilgore, Morgan Mangum, Katie Shook, Mikalah Waldon) placed 7th. Also, swimming in the preliminary races on Friday – 50 yard Freestyle Thomas Patterson, Wilson Ricks, Houston Webster and the 100 yard Freestyle Cameron Bartle, Andon Ellzey, and Wilson Ricks.

State Meet Highlights:

Morgan Mangum placed 4th in the 100 yard Backstroke and 12th in the 100 yard Butterfly – earning enough points to place the one-woman girl team 20th out of 32 teams.

Luke Webster placed 20th in the 50 yard Freestyle.

The 200 yard Medley Relay team of Cameron Bartle, Luke Webster, Jordan Porter, and Nick Reed placed 22nd and dropped a second on their fastest time for the season.

The 200 yard Freestyle Relay team of Nick Reed, Wilson Ricks, Houston Webster, and Luke Webster placed 22nd.

Thomas Patterson earned an alternate place on both relay teams.