

Week 3 of the season featured some old-school football in the rain and mud for Team #2 of the Marsh Creek Eagle's 80 lb. football team against the perennially tough Methacton Wolverines. The boys came ready to play and didn't let the challenging environment stop them from playing an outstanding game and posting their second consecutive victory! The team captains for the "Mud Bowl" were Matt Pancoast, Aiden Harmon, Matt Vitali and Josh Domeier.

In a hard-fought first half of play the Eagles scored on 50 yard run by QB Connor Whalen on a 4th and long play with the help of some great blocking by the offensive line and a key block by RB Tyler Alston that set Whalen free around the right end. The Eagles were able to move the ball well in the slippery elements and saw some nice runs by RBs Tyler Alston and Brennan Kelly. The defense had a solid first half as well and the Eagles went into halftime with a 6-6 tie with the Wolverines.

The Eagles opened the 2nd half with TD by QB Will Howard, who called his own number after being set up with a great run by Albert Choi on a reverse to move the ball deep into Wolverine territory. Nathan Daller attempted the extra point but was tackled just shy of the goal line. On the next offensive series by the Eagles the Wolverines made a great interception and looked like they were about to tie the game. QB Howard was the last player between the runner and the goal line and made a great open-field tackle to keep the Wolverines out of the end zone. With their backs against the goal line, the Eagles defense held firm and with plenty of cheering from the sidelines didn't allow the Wolverines to capitalize on the turnover. The Eagles held their slim point advantage and continued to move the ball behind some muddy but determined running by RBs Cameron Feamster, until late in the 4th QTR when QB Howard took the ball around the left end for a long TD run to put the game out of reach for the Wolverines. RB Jett Lucas-Murphy made valiant effort to punch the ball over the goal line for the extra point but was denied.

Defensively, the Eagles played an outstanding game, with some key contributions by Jake Morrow (2 strips), Jack Riley (big hits), Aiden Harmon, Matt Pancoast, Chad Switzer and Steven Fulwider (fumble recovery). The special teams contributed as well, especially the kicker, Ryan Ulmer, who was the Marsh Creek Eagles Player of the Game for his hustle and hard work. In addition to being the Eagles' ever-reliable center, Ryan is the place kicker as well. Ryan did a great job leading the offensive line in blocking and, on a couple of kick offs, by being the first player down the field to make the tackle on the return. Great job Ryan!

Congratulations Eagles on a well-deserved victory against a tough opponent!