

IT'S ALWAYS WRITING SEASON AT ST. MARK'S!
OUR ATHLETES GAIN INSPIRATION FOR POETRY
ON THE FIELD, COURT, AND TRACK.
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CLASS OF 2019'S ODES ON PAGE 17.



O' tennis racket
You are my shield and sword
You protect me and keep me from harm
You deflect the malicious yellow bullets away from me
Your glorious wires hit the ball at the speed of light
The ball cracks as you collide with it
Defender of the court
Protector of my doubles partner
You serve with pristine perfection
When you tap the ball, it soars
With gracious speed and accuracy
The ball will strike the court with the strength of a lightning bolt
Your intricate strings woven to perfection
Your grip wrapped to perfection
Your beautiful frame ever so perfect
You are a racket of perfection
Each point ends with a strike
Each set ends with a smash
Each game ends with a bang
O' but each tournament ends with you

- Garner Kelling, St. Mark's Class of 2019

From Top:
Georgia Bailey, 2020, serves the ball for a volleyball game; Oscar Lipski and Clive Kurtin, both class of 2020, playing soccer; Jack Hrachovy, class of 2019, takes a shot at a basketball game