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No Port For Our Storm

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Oscar & Josef were away so Josh came into the team to make 19 players. Kick off was put back so we could all watch England hammer the French (hooray!) This was not the Portishead that we had played twice before, that team is made up of the players who couldn't get into this team...

The Home Team went first - The line up was:

Aaron

Mark Charlie

Joe Josh James

Ethan

Rolling Subs: Sam P & Sam K

Within a minute of starting the game, a throw came in, bounced past three players and a diving Aaron leaving their player an open goal **0-1**. They then won a corner, which was hit in high and hard. Luckily it was headed over the bar but it showed their ability from the start. Another corner soon followed. It was partially cleared to a Portishead player on the edge of the area. He jinked left & right past our defenders before burying it in the back of the net **0-2**. A throw was then missed and Tom Baker brought the game back as he went to pick up the ball. Unfortunately Joe never heard the whistle and hit the ball high and hard straight at Tom's head!

Portishead attacked again and a ball was played between our defenders into the path of an onrushing forward. Aaron came out one on one and took a knock in the face for his efforts. He did however win the ball. Soon however the ball was in the back of the net as Portishead passed the ball around us and left us chasing shadows **0-3**. Portishead were playing good expansive football ranging from left to right and then into the heart of our defence before a shot came in just wide. They attacked again and Charlie cleared the ball well outside of the area only for a Portishead player to hit it back high towards goal. With Aaron scrambling to get back we could only watch with relief as it dropped a few inches wide of the post.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 0 PORTISHEAD 3

The ball was played to Sam P, and he played it wide to Joe. Joe then ran down the wing but was crowded out for a goal kick – Our first attack of the game! Charlie played it forward to Sam P; he went past one player but was dispossessed. They countered quickly and a shot came in which Aaron saved but spilt loose in front of goal. Great effort by Charlie, Josh and Aaron who all dived in front of the ball and managed to deflect the rebounded shot onto the post and out. Aaron kicked out but only to a Portishead player; he took the ball wide and shot low into the far corner **0-4**. Next an attacker got past our defence, Aaron came out but he shot early **0-5**. Charlie then headed clear from a throw but the pressure was clearly on.

A Portishead player attacked strongly but Josh stayed with him the whole way hassling him and not allowing him time to control the ball, before Mark came across and between them they cleared. A corner came in and Sam K cleared well with his head, the first time we had cleared a corner with a header (well done Sam). A shot came in and hit Mark on the side. It rebounded, they shot high and Aaron managed to get fingertips to it. It ran loose and our entire team crowded into the box stopping a shot towards goal, and when it finally came in it was wide. Some good committed defending from the whole team. Mark cleared to Joe who ran down the left wing and shot across the face of the goal but just wide.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 0 PORTISHEAD 5

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play all round and non-stop hard work **– Mark Gratton**

Away Team - The line up was:

Jamie G

Jack Tom

Jordan Jamie C Max

Sam B

Rolling Subs: Zac, Luke & Dan

A Good run through my Max and Sam led to a shot by Sam which the 'keeper saved with his feet. Jack then ran down the line, crossed the ball in to the box where our players were trying to get it and score. The shot was saved by the 'keeper. It was cleared long and there were two Portishead players in our half and no Fry's players. Two on one left Jamie no chance **0-1**. The same happened a few minutes later, no defenders at all, two on one, same result **0-2**. Very little other action of note except for the fact that we had the lion's share of the play but couldn't convert it into a goal.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 0 PORTISHEAD 2

Luke took up a big kick out by Jamie. He passed to Dan and then to Max but it was cleared for a throw. Tom then ran across field with the ball, past two players but more came to crowd him out. We attacked into the corner and the cross came in which Luke shot, but it was saved by their 'keeper. The ball was loose and one of their players went for it, as did Sam. A body check occurred, Sam carried on as if nothing happened, their player was pole axed! The ball was played into the left wing where Zac chased. Two defenders ran after him and the 'keeper came as well. **Zac** shot with the outside of his right foot and it nestled in the back of the net **1-2**.

Sam won the ball at left back, hit the ball past two players to Zac, but as he shot in front of goal, the last defender just got his boot to it for a corner. The corner was cleared but only as far as Sam who leathered it back to Zac on the left wing. He chipped it up and blasted, but it was too high and too hard (must have been all that rugby in the morning getting to him!)

FULL-TIME: FRYS 1 PORTISHEAD 2

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for a great display of effort and good play – Dan Churches

OVERALL RESULT: FRYS 1 PORTISHEAD 7

Afterthoughts.....

Yet again in the first game we were beaten soundly, but as appears to be the pattern, we are getting stronger as the game goes on. Almost like we are slow waking up! Come the end, we were getting as committed and passionate about the game as they were and it made it much more difficult for them.

In the second game we absolutely dominated but lapses in concentration led to our downfall. If we can keep focussed for the whole game, pass the ball around and take our chances, we will beat a lot more teams than we have done so far.

U7's - Appearances and Goals

P = Played in the gameM = Man of the MatchG = Goals scored			
	Ρ	Μ	G
Aaron Sutton	12	1	
Callum Morris	1		
Charlie Glavin	7	1	
Daniel Churches	12	1	
Ethan Chilcott	11	1	
George Lewis	6		
Haydn Suffern	1		
Jack Burgoyne	1		
Jack Pegram	1		
Jack Yeoman	11	1	3
James Baker	11	1	
James Moore	1		
Jamie Charles	8	1	
Jamie Godwin	11	1	
Jay Ashwell	1		
Joe Carreyett	12	2	11
Jordan Harris	12	1	1
Josef Hill	8	1	
Josh Batt	4	1	
Luke Andrews	11	1	
Mark Gratton	11	2 1 2 2 1	3
Max Stevens	12	1	3
Oscar Hutchings	10	2	
Sam Burgess	12	2	6
Sam Kipling	10		1
Sam Pike	11	1	
Tom Johnson	10	1	
Zac Hallett	12	2	6

U7's Fixtures and Results

Aug	31	Н	Portishead Utd	W 3-0
Sep	7	A	St Nicholas	L 3-5
	14	A	Clevedon	W 8-3
	21	A	Boco	L 1-11
	28	H	Clevedon	L 3-4
Oct	5	H	BRSJ	L 0-2
	12	A	Stoke Lane	L 0-3
	19	A	Bitton	L 2-9
	26	A	Portishead Utd	W 4-2
Nov	2 9 16 23 30	H A H H	Keynsham Yate Utd Portishead Jnrs Bradley Stoke Warmley	W 7-6 L 2-12 L 1-7

Two more to go before our winter break! I think that the boys have improved week in, week out and would hope that you all agree. Well done to them!