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At last this was it. Our first ever competitive game, with potentially ten years more to improve, become cohesive and win! Aaron S & Lukas were not available, so we had fourteen for the two games of five-a-side. Brislington were our first ever opposition.

The Game 1 line-up was:

Ethem
Aaron M
Kruz Bradley W
Kaylum

Substitutes: James & Bartus

We kicked off but they won the ball and attacked down our wing and all of our players chased them back, Aaron getting injured straight away and having to come off, and they scoring in the process **1-0**. From the kick off James got the ball. He ran at them, down the line past three players until he was ready to shoot, but was tackled at the last minute. From a loose ball in the middle we stood around, unsure of whom to go for it, so one of their players ran in and shot past Ethem **2-0**. James ran all the way down the line, but his shot was into the side netting. They were then through and Ethem was getting the hang of this going in goal lark, and made a great save from the shot, and the loose ball was blasted over. The ball then came loose from a bit of a melee, and a quick shot found its way in **3-0**. James attacked all the way down the wing and got the ball to Kruz in the middle and he hesitated and hesitated and we were all shouting shoot, so he finally went to

shoot, but was tackled at the last minute. They attacked back as us and were through and Ethem came out and made a fantastic save for a corner, which was powered across and hit in **4-0**. They won the ball again from the kick and attacked into our area where Ethem blocked and we were watching so a Brislington player reacted quickest and tapped it in **5-0**. James attacked again but his shot wasn't quite powerful enough. We lost the ball in the middle and no one chased back and Ethem had no chance **6-0**. From the kick off we stood still and they charged at us, won the ball and attacked to score **7-0**. They ran at us again, so James slid in and took the player, then the ball, but the referee by now was in lenient (sympathetic?) mood and didn't give the penalty. They played the ball back into our area as we ran the other way, and it was smashed into the top corner **8-0**. James ran through three players and shot, but the 'keeper made a good save, from which they attacked, and we were not getting back, and Ethem had no chance **9-0**. We conceded a free kick about 15 yards out and a Brislington player smashed it in, almost off of the underside of the crossbar **10-0**. James ran past defenders again, but this time his shot past the 'keeper was cleared off of the line by a defender.

HALF-TIME: BRISLINGTON 10 FRY 0

They kicked off and attacked but we won it, played it forward and as they hesitated **Kaylum** ran it to smash it past the 'keeper for the moment we had all been waiting for **10-1**, and they all then ran back to our goal, cheering, shirts over their heads, and celebrating like they had won the World Cup. It's a moment we will savour for a long time! Kruz then got through and tried to shoot but was tackled at that moment, from where they attacked and left Ethem no chance **11-1**. From the kick James attacked into their area but his shot was pushed out for a corner. James won the ball back from their throw, crossed it towards the middle and Bradley swung at the ball, but just missed connecting. They attacked down the wing and crossed to the back post

where a Brislington player tapped it in as it came across **12-1**. They then won it back and attacked, and this time the cross hit Bartus and went in **13-1**. They attacked down the wing again after a kick out by Ethem, the shot hit the underside of the bar, came down on the line and Kaylum was there to clear it. They threw the ball into our area, and our players stood and watched as it ran to a Brislington player and he hit it past Ethem. **14-1**. From a throw, James ran all the way to their area, but was tackled as he went to shoot.

FULL-TIME: BRISLINGTON 14 FRYS 1

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – **Ethem & James**

The Game 2 line-up was:

Ollie
Findley
Adam Liam
Keanu

Substitutes: Cory & Bradley G

We kicked off, passed the ball backwards, no one won it so a Brislington player ran through and hammered it past Ollie **1-0**. They attacked again and a loose ball was shot against the post, Adam clearing it afterwards. They won the ball in our area and Ollie dived well to push it wide, Adam clearing afterwards. Brislington were reacting faster to loose balls just like in the first game, and a well struck shot was matched by Ollie's save. We attacked through Bradley, but he was crowded out as he advanced into their area. They attacked into our area and passed it past Ollie **2-0**. They won it back from the kick and attacked down their right, and Ollie tried to kick the shot clear but he missed it **3-0**. We kicked off, one of their players won it and just leathered it high into the top corner giving Ollie no chance **4-0**. A massive kick from their 'keeper ran all the way through to a Brislington attacker who swung a boot at it but it came back off of the post. Ollie's drop kick was won by a Brislington player as no one from our team went for it and he shot straight away as Ollie was running back, so Ollie didn't see it until too late **5-0**. They attacked through again, but Ollie was equal to the shot, diving on it well.

HALF-TIME: BRISLINGTON 5 FRYS 0

We attacked from the kick, but they won it back and attacked, and although we all crowded our area, no one tackled and they stabbed it in **6-0**. A Brislington player won it from the kick and ran at goal, and despite everyone on the side shouting tackle, no one did, but Ollie stood tall and the shot

was skewed wide. We threw the wrong way and they were going at our goal. We were trying to get a tackle in, but no one could get close enough and they shot past Ollie **7-0**. We kicked it to the halfway point where they won it and ran for goal, right through to shoot, but Liam slid in with an awesome tackle **8-0**. Bradley and Cory passed well right into their area but couldn't shoot, and as we had all run forward, no one was back with their one forward, and a pass to him left Ollie no chance one against one **9-0**. A hard and low shot saw Ollie get down well to make the save, and the Brislington player kick it away from his hands, but also away from goal. From their goal kick a Brislington player ran through, but Bradley made a great last ditch tackle. Cory, Bradley, Keanu and Liam were all in their area trying to shoot as we all encouraged them, but no one was able to make the telling strike, and it eventually went for a corner. The ball was loose in the middle so Adam went for it, but it rolled the wrong side of the referee, and by the time he had run around him, they had won it and were in on goal, rolling into the bottom corner **10-0**. Adam and Bradley worked hard together to get to their area, but Adam's shot was well saved. A corner was hit to where two of our players stood, but none of them go for it allowing a Brislington player to strike it into the bottom corner **11-0**. Bradley and Adam were away on the break and Adam shot well, but again their 'keeper made the good save. Their 'keeper kicked it out, Bradley won it, turned and beat a defender and then passed it back, but we had all run forward and so a Brislington player was able to run unopposed to Ollie and score **12-0**. Adam and Cory were through and Cory shot, but it didn't have enough power. Their 'keeper handled it outside of the area under pressure so Bradley hammered a shot in for Adam to shoot, and then loose to Cory but his shot was saved. Then we attacked again and this time Adam's shot was saved.

FULL-TIME: BRISLINGTON 12 FRYS 0

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – **The Whole Team**

OVERALL: BRISLINGTON 26 FRYS 1

Afterthoughts.....
Perhaps not the result or even score-line that we hoped for, however let's get some perspective. The majority of Brislington have been together two years already, practising and learning about football. For our team 12 out of the 14 joined us in June of this year, three months ago in which time we had a week off. There will be tough games like this, and more defeats of a similar nature, but as long as everyone enjoys it then that is all that matters. Also, if the players come training with a willingness to learn then I promise you that we will improve.