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Both ourselves and the U8's were home, so it was their turn for the long trek, however it meant that we had to cone an area out of the 7v7 pitch, which we did.....

The Game 1 line-up was:

Ethem

Bradley W Bartus

James Aran

Substitutes: Kaylum, Aaron & Lukas

From the kick off James won it and ran through, before passing to Aran who shot, but it was well saved by their 'keeper. We attacked, committing players forward, but when it broke we were all caught up-field, however James chased back well and made a last ditch tackle. They were attacking and shot, but it hit James and rebounded for Aran to shoot, but it deflected back off of Aran and out. All four of our players worked hard to run back as they broke and Bartus got in the way, before James found **Aran** with a pass, and he fought with their defenders before emerging with the ball, his shot going in off of the 'keeper **1-0**. We panned Hanham in through James and Aran, and then Bartus helped out, and he ran in to shoot the loose ball, but the 'keeper saved. We kept the pressure up

and wouldn't let them out, and then Bradley stopped them getting clear, got the ball to **James** and his shot flew in the near post **2-0**. Bartus was then in with them to tackle well and halt an attack and then panned Hanham in with passing from Aran and Bradley, and then when they broke, James got back to tackle at the edge of the area. We then attacked en-masse and were caught up-field when they broke, exposing Ethem and leaving him no chance **2-1**. We threw forward and pressed but again they broke and we were over exposed, and whilst Ethem came out to narrow the angle he was unable to stop the shot **2-2**. Hanham had grown in strength and a corner came to a player on the edge of the area who shot high into the corner **2-3**. They were catching us on the break quite a lot, and Ethem had to be quick off of his lines, forcing the shot wide. We kept committing all of our players forward and Hanham were repeatedly catching us on the break, Ethem again flying out to stop them. Just on half-time we were caught again with no cover for Ethem **2-4**.

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The second half started as the first had ended, all of our players caught up-field as we lost it and despite Ethem's best efforts they scored again **2-5**. We were not learning from our mistakes, and an acrobatic save from Ethem denied them again. He then repeated it when they repeated the tactic! We kept doing it and were eventually punished with the goal **2-6**. I was screaming at Kaylum to throw to Aran who was forward but he kept looking sideways and in the end threw it, which

was when I saw it go to Aaron. Who put Aran and Aaron in the same side? **Aran** broke forward, dragged the ball past their big lad and then battled past two others to shoot into the corner **3-6**. Great defending by James who held his position at my request and he played it up to Aaron, who spun and shot, but just past the post.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 3 HANHAM 6

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – **Bartus & Aran**

There was some confusion as we saw Hanham packing to leave, and then the penny dropped that they assumed four quarters of ten was both games and not just the first. It meant that he played all of his players in the first game, and so would do the same in game 2. Fortunately almost all of their team were still there, so game 2 went ahead.

The Game 2 line-up was:

Keanu
Liam Charlie
Cory Bradley G

Substitutes: Adam & Kruz

We attacked and overpowered their area, and after Liam's challenge the ball fell to **Bradley** to hammer in **1-0**. We all went forward (same story) and they broke, giving Keanu no chance **1-1**. We committed forward and this time Keanu faced two players, however he pulled off a great save, diving as the shot came in to push it wide, and the rebound was fired across goal and out. Then their big player attacked, and whilst we were not up-field, we were also not in position and although Keanu flew out, it just scraped past him **1-2**. The ball fell nicely for Kruz to run forward, but his shot was early so lacked the power to beat the 'keeper. Keanu passed out to Charlie who tried to keep the passing going, but his pass was into the middle where three of their players lurked by our goal **1-3**. We were penned in, and unable to clear our lines the ball flew in

from the edge of the area **1-4**. Keanu passed out to Charlie, but he faced three players alone and they were able to get the ball off of him and then shoot low past Keanu **1-5**.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 0 HANHAM 0

We defended very well and Keanu pulled off two great saves to deny them, and then Bradley slid in powerfully to stop an attack, although it led to a short injury break whilst the Hanham player was treated. **Bradley** attacked well all the way to goal and shot past the 'keeper **2-5**. Bradley then won the ball and played it through for **Liam**, and he buried it in the back of the net **3-5**. Bradley, Liam and Cory all worked hard to defend and then **Liam** broke forward, wide on the right before shooting across goal into the bottom left **4-5**. Their big player was causing us problems, not just with his ability, but because players were unwilling to tackle him and he ran down the left and shot, and although Keanu parried well, the ball carried into the net **4-6**. Hanham caught us on the break and the shot flew in **4-7**. Then they attacked, and whilst our players were tracking them, no one really challenged, and despite Keanu getting his hand to the shot, it still went in **4-8**. We were attacking, and then I was asked a quick question, and on turning back saw them fire the ball into our net **4-9**. Hanham attacked and Charlie was quickly across the clear the ball, off of the pitch, into a Hanham spectator and he was down through the power of the kick! Adam and Kruz were passing the ball forwards together, and worked right to their area before it was cleared.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 4 HANHAM 9

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

OVERALL: FRYS 7 HANHAM 15

Afterthoughts.....

Again we showed improvement on the week before. Not necessarily through the result, but by the way we tried to play, the way we looked more like a team and the way we were understanding the instructions.