Number 17 - All is fair 'n' a big fair ground - Sunday 21st February 2016

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We welcomed Deerswood to Somerdale, and both teams had agreed to playing 7v7 in preparation for the next season. We had Tyler and Charlie missing, however Jayden was making his debut.

The Game 1 line-up was:

Ethem

Finlay M Finlay W

Kaylum Liam Cory

Jayden

Substitute: Bradley G

It started out as a fairly even game, were definitely Deerswood passing better than we were. They attacked into the left of our area but Fin M stopped them, then they attacked down the left but shot high. Cory won the ball wide and played it down the line for Liam to cross in for Jayden's run, but it was cut out. Cory then ran down the line and crossed, the 'keeper pushing it wide and Kaylum retrieved it and crossed back for Jayden but he shot wide. From a corner by Bradley, Cory flicked it on and **Kaylum** got it at the far post and swivelled to score **1-0**. Deerswood took a long shot which Ethem kicked rather than pick up. Fin W almost picked it up but stopped just in time, but the ball spun loose and Cory blocked a shot, then Fin M blocked a shot and it was finally cleared. They kept up the pressure and this time we kept them out with a block and a save. Right on half time a dangerous corner swung into our area and first Liam then Bradley made telling blocks.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 1 DEERSWOOD 0

From the kick off, their player just ran at us, through the players and passed past Ethem **1-1**. Cory turned with the ball and beat his man, passed to Jayden who turned and beat two more players and shot off of the inside of the post and out, so Liam retrieved it, passed to Bradley and his shot was blocked, the ball bouncing out to a Deerswood player who was off, and whilst we chased, three players came across, leaving an unmarked attacker in the middle, and despite Ethem's best efforts, they took the lead Ethem's kick off of the floor went long to **Bradley** who used his skill to beat two defenders and knocked it in off of the post **2-2**. Bradley passed out to Kaylum who passed inside to Jayden and he turned and shot just wide. Deerswood attacked neither and Bradley, jayden or Cory could get a

good tackle in, and in the end it was Fin W who stopped the attack. From a throw, liam kept their big defender under pressure and Liam won it off of him and shot, the 'keeper parrying but **Jayden** followed up and made sure **3-2**.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 3 DEERSWOOD 2

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – Jayden

The Game 2 line-up was:

Alfie

Ethem Tristen

Bartus James Bradley W

Keanu

Substitute: Aran

We lost the ball on the left and their player shot early and it hit the post and flew in, after Alfie had already made two good saves. Aran attacked down the right, past two players and shot, but it was saved. The ball flew into the middle to Aran who nipped past two players and shot with venom, however the ball flew just wide. From a corner they were away into the area and Alfie dived out, forcing them to shoot wide. Keanu forced his way through two players into the area where it came to Bartus, but his shot was just wide. We had a corner, crowded the box, but the ball was hit outwards and they were away, and this time Alfie was unable to save **0-1**. We were not marking and suddenly they broke and a quick shot flew over Alfie **0-2**. They attacked, Ethem swung and missed, and their player was in on Alfie and gave him no chance 0-3.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 0 DEERSWOOD 3

A corner came in and a melee ensued with everyone attacking the ball but eventually the 'keeper dived on it. He rolled it out quickly which gave James the chance to win it back and passed to Keanu who shot, but it hit the back post and came to Bradley, but his shot went back across goal and it was cleared. From another corner they broke with pace, and this time Alfie was able to get his fingertips to it to push it out. From a throw on the left Aran cut in and shot, only for the 'keeper to make a diving They then broke quickly and Aran got back with Tristen to stop them. They attacked down the left and brilliant diving save from stopped anoter certain goal. Bartus played it in to Keanu and he played it back out to Bartus who went past a player and shot, the 'keeper saving for a corner. From their free-kick by our area they passed back and Aran won it and was away with Bartus, but went alone and again the 'keeper made another great save.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 0 DEERSWOOD 3

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – Tristen

OVERALL: FRYS 3 DEERSWOOD 5

Afterthoughts.....

The first game was great as both teams went at each other and gave everything they could. Game two was not so as we were quite poor in the first half. Into the second and we perked up and the performance was immeasurably improved so that is what we take from this game. Well done