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Keynsham stepped in at short notice to offer us a game, so after playing their Juniors team seven days earlier, how would we fare against their Colts team? For the short journey to our friendly rivals we were only missing Tristen.

The Game 1 line-up was:

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| | Alfie | |
| Bartek | | Bradley W |
| Finn W | | Charlie |
| Ethem | | Cory |

Substitutes: Bradley G & Keanu

It was nice to see an old friend in the opposition ranks with Kruz playing in defence for them. We started on the front foot with Charlie threading a pass through the eye of the needle to Cory who flicked the ball on to Ethem whose shot went wide. Keynsham got the ball to the half way line before Finn made a good tackle and passed to Bartek who crossed the ball into the penalty area where **Cory** managed to get to the ball, control it, and smack it past the 'keeper **0-1**. Charlie soon made a great tackle out wide on the left-hand side and battled well to make a yard of space then passed the ball into the middle to the edge of the Keynsham penalty area where **Cory** ran onto the ball, went around one defender before stroking the ball into the back of the net **0-2**. We were passing the ball really well and some of the passes by Charlie were a different class, his first thought to see where he can move the ball to. Keynsham were not having much joy in getting into our half but they did one long ball that their striker looked for all the world he would get to and score, but Alfie came off of his line really quickly and smothered the ball to snuff out the chance for them. Brad W got the ball from Alfie and when faced with a Keynsham player used some of his silky skills to beat the player; he then passed back to Brad G (who keeps putting two boys with same name in the same team?) who looked up and saw Charlie in space on the edge of area and found him with

a delightful pass. Charlie took one touch before shooting just wide. We were getting to the ball first and dominating the game now, Keanu picked up a loose ball and knocked it Brad G who skipped up the right-hand side before crossing the ball to where **Bartek** hovered and he got there before the defender and slotted the ball home with great control **0-3**. It was all one way now and another effort from Charlie went sailing over the bar just before the half-time whistle.

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The 2nd half started the same as the first half ended with us dominating the play and some great skill from Brad W saw him cut the ball inside to Cory who thread the ball onto Brad G and he was on the edge of the area. He beat his man and go to the by-line before cutting the ball back to **Bartek** who was near the penalty spot and he finished with a rasping first time shot **0-4**. **Brad G** was quick to close them down and the ball bounced in his favour and he then hit a looping shot giving the 'keeper no chance **0-5**. At this point we invited Keynsham to bring on an extra player, similar to when we were losing to Chew Valley, as it wasn't really challenging our players, and we certainly didn't want to demoralise Keynsham. Cory made a good tackle just inside our half and he passed out wide to Keanu who used his strength well to hold off a player before passing out wide to Ethem who passed down the line to Brad W whose cross found Brad G on the edge of the area; he hit his shot low and hard only for it be blocked on the line by Bartek! Keynsham then cleared the danger but it was not long before we were attacking again and a pass from Cory saw **Bartek** in space; he worked a good angle for himself before finishing the move with a good shot **0-6**. Charlie was still passing the ball really well and a great cross-field pass found Finn who slid past his marker and was in space; he battled well to the edge of the area and passed out wide to Ethem who used his strength well to bulldozer his way into the penalty area and got a good shot away which was well saved by the 'keeper. To be fair to Keynsham they tried to play football in the right way and all the time looked to pass the ball out from the back, however we were quick to pounce on any errors and Brad W intercepted a pass, found Charlie who again played a great pass to **Brad G** who with one touch left two Keynsham players in his wake before slotting the ball into the net **0-7**. Keynsham kept going and they did manage to work the ball well to the edge of our area and got a shot away which Alfie did well to save. He was then quickly on his feet to get the ball wide to Cory who moved up-to the half way line before passing inside to Keanu who passed first time to

Ethem and again he powered his way into the penalty area before this time unleashing a bullet of a shot into the top corner of the net **0-8**.

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Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for a class performance – Charlie

The Game 2 line-up was:

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| | Alfie | |
| Tyler | Kaylum | |
| James | Jamie | |
| Liam | Ronnie | |

Substitutes: Aran & Finley M

The 2nd game started in the same of fashion as the 1st one finished with our players on the front foot. Tyler played the ball through to **James** who was in the middle of their half, he took touch to his right and opened his body to get the correct angle to power in a rocket of a shot that went like an arrow into the bottom left hand corner of the net **0-1**. We were playing some really good football and the passing was the best that this side has played! A lovely move involving Kaylum and Liam ended up with James pinging a cross to where **Jamie**, as cool as a cucumber, delicately finishing by deflecting the ball into the net **0-2**. We were soon on the attack again with Tyler finding Liam out on the left. He passed into the middle where Kaylum tried a Messi style chip that went narrowly wide; had it had gone it would have been the goal of the season. That did not put us off our step though and a quick passing move meant that James jinked his way to the wide right before cutting the ball back to **Kaylum** in space in the box who took a touch and passed the ball past the 'keeper into the back of the net **0-3**. A good move down the left gave Ronnie the chance to cross the ball into box, a Keynsham player got there to knock it behind for a corner. Ronnie took the corner and hit it low and hard; **Tyler** got to the near post and tapped the ball in **0-4**. We were attacking from all angles and Keynsham could not deal with wave after wave of attacking, fast flowing football that we were playing. James was passing the ball like Steven Gerrard in his prime and one of those majestic passes found Aran out wide. He then hit a wonderful pass to **Jamie** who took a touch before firing home **0-5**. Again, at this point we invited Keynsham to bring on another player. With time almost up in the half we had one more attack, this time Tyler was the architect of the move working hard to get the ball, beating a player before finding James on the area. **James** jinked to his right before finishing with the confidence of a player in form **0-6**.

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We were at it again early in the 2nd half with Finn getting a move going by finding Aran out wide who used his tricks to beat two defenders before firing in a low cross where **Kaylum** was waiting; he had his back to goal but a quick turn and shuffle meant he was facing goal and made no mistake with a good finish **0-7**. We were really enjoying our football now and Ronnie made a good tackle and laid the ball off to Aran who saw that Liam had made a run into space and passed the ball into that space; **Liam** took

the ball in his stride and from the corner of the box fired a firecracker of a shot into the top right hand corner of the net **0-8**. The boys were having fun and a lovely pass from Aran found Kaylum out wide on the right-hand side. He got to the edge of the area before laying the ball on for **Aran** who had continued his run and he jinked past one player before rolling the ball past the 'keeper and it nestled in the back of the Keynsham net **0-9**. Again, like the first game, Keynsham did not give up and James had the ball near our penalty area and he was closed down quickly so passed across the area, but not with enough power and it was picked up by a Keynsham player who took it on a few yards before smashing it past the diving Alfie **1-9**. Normal service was soon restored though and Finn started off the move by making sure he won the ball before finding James. James looked up and passed down the line to Aran who cut inside and again got in a fantastic cross to where **Jamie** was waiting and he again put the ball into the back of net which he made look so easy; his face at scoring his hat-trick was the highlight of the day **1-10**. At this stage, we invited Keynsham to bring another player onto the pitch, which they also accepted. A lovely move that started with James found Tyler in the middle of the pitch and he passed wide to Aran who crossed first time to find Finn in the penalty area; he set himself ready for the shot and got a good shot away that looked like it was going in before drifting just wide. From the goal-kick **Liam** was on to the ball as quick as a flash and was in the clear, and he hit a thunderous shout that smashed off of the post and into the back of the net **1-11**.

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Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for passing the ball with great skill and two wonderful goals – James

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Afterthoughts.....

This was a match that we dominated in both games from start to finish, even when Keynsham had eight and even nine players on the pitch. Credit to the Keynsham players as they kept trying and to the Keynsham coaches who were encouraging their players to play the right way and trying to pass the ball, seeing if they could do five passes etc. but saying that our boys were magnificent from start to finish and the passing that all of them did was a joy to watch. This is something that the coaches have worked hard to achieve with the boys, and there will be harder games in the weeks to come, but if we play like we did today we will be a match for anyone. It was also nice in both games to give each outfield player ten minutes in defence, ten minutes in midfield, ten minutes up front and ten minutes as sub, as each position teaches them about a new perspective to the game, as well as understanding that they all are equal. Well done.