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Number 3 - 'Cæsar's spirit, ranging for revenge, With Até by his side come hot from hell, Shall in these confines with a monarch's voice Cry "Havoc," and let slip the dogs of war.'- Sunday 10th September 2017

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We welcomed Stoke Lane to our first Home game at Manor Road. We had not played Stoke Lane in a match before but had some good games in tournaments against them; the rain held off for the match and the pitch was in good condition for the first home game of the season. We were without Alfie and Finley.

The Game 1 line-up was:

Cory
Ethem Keanu
Kaylum Finlay Bradley W
Bartek

Substitute: Liam

The game started at a frantic pace with Stoke Lane first to venture into our half, but a well-timed tackle prevented the attack coming to anything. Cory then played the ball down the line to Bradley who powered forward before passing to Finlay and passed back to Bradley who was now at the edge of the area; he crossed the ball to Bartek who with his first touch gave himself a yard of space before shooting; the 'keeper did well to make the save but he could not hold onto it and **Kaylum** was on hand to fire the ball home 1-0. Keanu had the ball in our half and as we have told the boys, played the ball the way he was facing and passed the ball back to Ethem who picked the ball up; one of the new rules this year is that if the ball is passed back and the 'keeper picks it up then an indirect free kick is given. The boys got back on the line, but the free kick deflected off of a couple of bodies and rolled into the net **1-1**. Liam did well to win the ball in our half and then fed a glorious ball down the right to **Finlay** who sprinted down the wing and got to the corner of the box

before firing a low cross/shot into the area; the ball zipped off of the surface and gave the 'keeper no chance as the ball snuck in at the near post **2-1**. We were looking to break and a good-looking ball from Keanu was just intercepted when it looked like Bartek would be away; we had gone forward in numbers so when they intercepted the ball, they were able to run up the middle unopposed and ran into the area and simply passed the ball passed Ethem into the net **2-2**. We were playing some great football and the passing was of the highest order and a great passing move involving Bradley, Kaylum and Liam eventually saw Bradley pinpoint his cross to Bartek whose shot would have gone in if not for a last-ditch block on the ball to divert it out for a corner. Liam took a great corner which Kaylum got to first, his shot well saved. There was then a battle in midfield which Stoke Lane won with the deflected ball falling nicely to their player who had stayed forward; he waited for Ethem to make his move before shooting low and hard past him **2-3**. We were still the better side and a great pass from Cory to Bradley sent us on our way, and again Bradley cut the ball inside to Bartek who laid it off to **Liam** who hit a bullet of a shot which deflected off the defender's head into the back of the net **3-3**. The referee blew up not long after to end a great first half.

HALF-TIME: FRY'S 3 STOKE LANE 3

We were on the front foot straight away and Bradley had the ball out wide and passed inside to Kaylum who looked up and moved the ball on to Finlay, and he then played it out wide to Liam who did well to beat the defender before crossing the ball to where **Bartek** controlled the ball and turned before firing the ball hard and low just inside the post to score a great team goal with a wonderful finish at the end **4-3**. We were totally on top and if Stoke Lane did manage to get into our half Keanu and Cory were there and nothing or nobody was getting past. Cory and Bradley combined well down the left and another great cross from Bradley came to Liam whose shot was hit crisply but just wide. Finlay got the ball from the Stoke Lane clearance and passed up the middle to Kaylum who flicked the ball to Bartek whose shot was well saved by the 'keeper, the ball rebounding though straight into **Liam's** path who finished with

great skill **5-3**. Stoke Lane were struggling to make any headway into our half, but they did get through once, however Ethem stayed big and strong and made a good save. We were moving the ball well and a nice ball from Keanu found Finlay and he played it inside to Liam who looked up and saw Cory in space and played the ball to him; Cory shot first time across goal, the ball only going inches wide. We were playing with great confidence now and a fantastic ball from Kaylum found Bartek out wide; he skilfully beat two players before floating over a delightful cross into the box; it looked like it was going to drift wide, but **Liam** sprung into the air and put a lovely diving header into the back of the net **6-3**. There was no more time for either side to attack again before the ref blew the full-time whistle.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 6 STOKE LANE 3

The Game 2 line-up was:

Cory/Liam
 Tristen Ethem
 James Charlie Tyler
 Bradley G

Substitute: Aran

We started well and a glorious ball from Charlie found James out wide; he cut in and beat two players before shooting just wide. Tristen collected the ball in our half and played the ball out wide to Tyler who cleverly went past a player before playing the ball into the middle where **Bradley** had got into space; he took the ball under his spell before calmly finishing past the diving 'keeper **1-0**. We were playing some lovely stuff and James was controlling the play well, not only with some good football but leading the team with a Captain's performance. A good pass from James found Bradley out wide and he got to the ball and crossed into the middle where Charlie laid it back to James who hit a shot which rattled the bar and went over. A nice move started by Charlie found Aran who used his power to beat two players before passing out wide to Tyler and he crossed to Aran whose shot was blocked for a corner. James took a great corner which Charlie managed to get to and got a shot away which was well saved by the 'keeper. From that save they broke quickly and only a good save from Liam prevented them from scoring an equaliser. Liam rolled the ball out to Ethem who brought the ball forward, waited for the Stoke Lane players to make a move before passing the ball up the middle; the pass went through the rest of them and the first to react was **Bradley** who went to the edge of the area before calmly finishing past the 'keeper **2-0**. We were in total control and another good pass from Charlie found Bradley on the right and he whipped in a cross to find **Aran** on the back post to knock the ball in **3-0**. Tyler made a great tackle and kept his feet before passing up the middle to Aran who went round one player and was looking to beat another two when he got tackled, but

the ball bounced in front of **Bradley** who took a touch before smashing the ball home **4-0**. We were on a roll now and a quick pass from Bradley found Charlie who hit the ball over the top to Aran who did well to reach the ball before it ran out; he cut the ball back to James whose shot beat the keeper but somehow the defender got back to clear the ball away from danger.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 4 STOKE LANE 0

Just as the 2nd half started, the sub at the time (Tyler) confirmed that he had in fact eaten a whole Oreo in less than 10 seconds! This is indeed an amazing achievement, and I am not sure if this will be beaten all season..... On the pitch Aran closed them down from kick-off, **Bradley** went on the overlap and nice ball from Aran laid it on a plate for him to finish in the bottom left corner **5-0**. We were playing with confidence and Charlie played an amazing pass to find Bradley who laid it back to Aran, and he zig-zagged his way past a couple of players before shooting low, the 'keeper doing well to tip the ball off of the post for a corner. James and Tyler worked a short corner well before James floated one to the back post where Aran's shot was blocked but the ball came back to **Bradley** who fired into the net **6-0**. We were attacking and Bradley, who should have passed, was tackled and they broke quickly, and we had no defenders! Cory came out to meet the attacker and saved the shot and then cleared quickly to Tristen who passed down the wing to James and he powered down the line before cutting the ball back to Bradley who moved it on to **Aran** and he skilfully beat the defender before slotting the ball past the 'keeper into the back of the net **7-0**. We were having fun, with the boys playing some good football. Ethem, from inside our half played the ball out wide to Charlie who looked up and hit a great crossfield ball to Tyler, his first touch laying the ball to James who hit a shot which was blocked; the deflection came to them and they cleared long with our players out of position and they were clear on goal and this time there was nothing Cory could do about it **7-1**. We were determined to finish on a high and Charlie, who had been fantastic all day, played a wonderful ball up-to **Aran** who used his strength, skill, and poise to beat two players; the 'keeper came out but there was no stopping the shot as it flew in **8-1**.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 8 STOKE LANE 1

OVERALL: FRYS 14 STOKE LANE 4

Afterthoughts.....

What a performance from all the boys! The effort given by all the boys was a 100% and the football which was played was some of the best that we have ever played as we passed the ball around Stoke Lane. We will play games that are a lot harder over the course of the rest of the season, but if we play like we did in this game we will be a match for any team. A great way to start life at Manor Road.