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We travelled to Pomphrey Hill to play Bromley, a team that had beaten us 7-3 earlier in the season when we had had the whole squad playing; the boys rotated out for this game were Liam, Kaylum, and Keanu. Finlay had decided to pursue his other sporting activities and had left the club and we wish him all the best for the future. The pitch was very heavy and would be hard work for the boys. Andy had decided to try out a new line-up; whilst it looked defensive, it allowed us to be more attacking as well as stronger in defence (at least that was the idea!).

The line-up was:

Alfie

Tristen Josh Ethem Finley

James Tyler Bradley G Bartek

Substitutes: Cory & Bradley W

We started the game brightly and a good pass from Bradley G out wide found James and he ran forward and unleashed a great shot that just flew over the bar. Bromley had a bit of pressure but some solid defending from Ethem, Josh and Tristen prevented any shots on our goal. A great ball from Josh found Tyler, who played a delightful chip ball on to Bartek and he span past the defender before shooting just wide. From their goal-kick James got to the ball first and played Bradley G through who ran into the box and was unlucky to see the ball bounce off the post and go behind for a goal-kick. They started to play some good football and worked well all the way to the edge of the area before shooting; Alfie getting down well to make the save. Our midfield was working hard, and this was emphasised when James ran 30 yards back to make a goal-saving tackle. Bromley had a good spell and Alfie made a good couple of saves. It was hard work on the pitch, but we were battling well and Bartek showed this quality going in and eventually winning a tackle; he did not give up winning the ball. From their goal-kick Finley wanted the ball more than anyone and got to the ball first; he played a lovely through ball to Bartek who ran into the area and put the ball into the bottom corner **0-1**. Bromley quickly came on the attack and a through ball found their striker in space and he started running at goal and looked like he would have a free shot at goal, but Finley sprinted back quickly and made a marvellous last-ditch tackle, a great bit of defending. From

a throw they went up the middle and we could not get a tackle in, and they shot hard and low giving Alfie no chance **1-1**. As soon as we kicked off the ref blew the whistle for half time.

## HALF-TIME: BROMLEY 1 FRYS 1

We started the 2<sup>nd</sup> Half on fire and were very quickly on the attack with Bartek pushing forward and finding James; his shot just went wide. Tyler got the ball from kick-off and found Bradley W who ran down the wing beating two men then played a great ball to Bradley G who darted into the box before shooting low and hard into the bottom left corner **1-2**. Bradley G got a great tackle in from the kickoff and played a nice ball out wide to James who whipped in a cross first time that came to the back where Bradley W took a touch and then hit a fantastic shot into the bottom corner 1-3. We were well on top and a great run by Ethem saw his shot go wide. Finley found James out wide and again he got an amazing cross into the box and Bradley G shot first time and was unlucky to see the ball hit the post and just go wide. We were breaking quickly and a ball from Tyler found Bradley W who was playing amazing, and he hit a through ball to Bartek who shot just wide. Cory made a great tackle before playing the ball down the line to Bradley W who passed inside to Bartek who shot just wide. Bromley started to pile forward a bit more and Alfie was called to action a couple of times and we were still defending well with Josh and Finley making well timed tackles at the right time. They had a goal-kick which did not go far; the first to react was Bradley W who got to the ball and calmly passed the ball into the net 1-4. Bromley were attacking down the right and played a through ball and they were clear on goal; Tyler tried to get back but just mistimed his tackle, the ref deciding it was just in the penalty area giving a penalty. They calmly hit it into the bottom corner giving Alfie no chance 2-4. They played a long ball forward into the corner that we were unable to clear and pounced on it and blasted the ball past Alfie 3-4. We saw the rest of the game out without them having a chance

## FULL-TIME: BROMLEY 3 FRYS 4

## Afterthoughts.....

This was a great performance from all the boys who worked so hard and at times played some delightful football. The results do not matter that much but to get a win was amazing and such a good feeling for the boys and coaches. It has been a hard couple of months and for the boys to put this performance on shows what that they can do. Hopefully we can build on this for the rest of the season and on to next season.