

Hi all,

*"What have you done today to make you feel proud?" Heather Small, Proud.*

I hope you'll all forgive me as I put the **under 11s'** report first this week. They faced **Saltdean United** (undefeated in all competitions) in the final of the SSYL Cup. In a dramatic and thrilling game the boys put in a fantastic performance to **win 5-4**. Having gone two down within 10 minutes their character shone through as first Ryan Jackson pulled one back and then Jack Dunkley equalised with a brilliant free-kick. Samo Page then scored a beauty to give us a 3-2 lead at half-time. Saltdean attacked from the restart and soon equalised, only for us to go ahead again through Max Durrant whose goal rounded off a great performance. Saltdean equalised again before Louis Bradley hit the winner. Saltdean hit the bar and Ben Smith superbly cleared off the line before the whistle finally went. Captain Louis Attfield-Davis then lifted the trophy - to scenes of jubilation among LBV players and supporters. Well done one and all, to those who played and those who didn't, you all contributed to a great cup run. Fantastic! And a big thank you and well done to manager Terry Woollard who has led the lads since the u8s.

- **the under 12s** played **Fishergate Flyers** and finished their season with an emphatic **6-0 win**. We applied early pressure and grabbed our first when Harry Shersby-Wignall weaved through the defence to score a great goal. Sam Bentley went on to score a hat-trick, with Lucas Renshaw and Archie Tasker also on the score sheet. Credit to Bailey Carter, Henry Rousham and Oscar Healey who all played excellently, and all the defence team who did a brilliant job. Indeed, the whole team has been a delight to watch this season and should be proud of themselves.
- **the under 10s** maintained their hugely impressive run of being **unbeaten all season** (and not having even drawn a game) against **Hawks Youth White**. Goals from Callum Peploe and Toby Potter-Drake gave us a **2-0 win** in a superb game from both sides. The second match saw goals from Jay Pullen (4) and Jake Thomset (3) to secure us the win **7-0**.
- **the under 9s** mixed their Scorpions and Snakes squads to play **Coldean Colts**. The players produced a creative performance gelling together well and showing that the 'pass and move' philosophy is clearly engrained in both squads. While we had the majority of the play in both matches we were ultimately undone on set pieces and defending the long ball - losing the first game **4-5** (with George Shiell hitting a hat-trick and MacKenzie Felix-Smith also finding the net); and the second **3-4** (with Henry C, Fraser and MacKenzie on the score sheet). Manager Simon Carter was particularly pleased with the spirit shown and how well mannered we were and respectful to both our opposition and team mates.
- **the under 8s** played away against **Seaford Wasps** with caretaker manager Lynne Shersby guiding the boys to victory. The first game saw us **win 2-0** thanks to goals from Charlie Haggar and Felix Attfield-Davis. Felix was also the first to pounce in the second game as Junior Mutulama's thunderous penalty rebounded off the post and he grabbed another shortly afterwards. Great goals from Silas Field (2) and Alfie Dobres gave us the **5-2 win**.

### **More congratulations...**

... to all the LBV kids who played in the Iford and Kingston Year 3/4 tournament last week. It was really great to see so many LBV players across the schools. The winners were South Malling (perhaps not surprising as they had a lot of the younger players from Phil's u10s lining up for them).

### **Club notices**

As before please see the attached re our tournament in June. Any help you can give will be gratefully received.

<<Tournament Update\_1.pdf>>

All the best,

Richard