

20th September Hull Schools FA U11's 1 – Leeds Schools FA U11 A 5

Fresh from their success in last weekend's home Tournament against district sides from all over the North of England at St Theresa's, Crossgates, Leeds City Boys U11's set off for a notoriously difficult away trip to Hull in buoyant mood.

Confidence flowed through their early play as they kept possession well and the first chance of the game fell to the ever-lively Josh Stones who pulled his shot just wide after a smart through-ball from midfield. A sharp lesson in maintaining concentration at the back had to be learned quickly though as Hull put themselves in the lead on their first foray forward as the ball was squared back across the box to their un-marked left winger who slotted the ball coolly away giving Fin Wade in the Leeds goal no chance.

This set-back sparked the young Leeds team back into life and within 5 minutes they had scored two quick goals to gain the lead in the game.

The first by Josh Stones followed a neat one-two in midfield between Saul Kane and Dylan Youmbi, which released the young Leeds striker into a one-on-one with Hull's keeper and Stones made no mistake in burying the ball into the bottom corner.

The second goal reversed the compliment as Stones this time pulled the ball back for Youmbi to net from close range.

Leeds' dominance continued throughout the first third of the game with defensive line-up of Sam Halliwell, Derek Bello and Jack Teahan in total control at the back and Alfie Wilkinson anchoring the midfield brilliantly.

A deserved third goal took Leeds to the first break with a two-goal advantage as Saul Kane burst down the right wing before squaring across the box allowing Hadleigh Speight to find the back of the net with a cool finish.

The young Leeds management team changed the line-up at the break and the second period continued in the same vein as the first as Leeds' passing game dominated proceedings. Chances were aplenty with Daniel Hernandez having lots of success down the right hand side and striker Dylan Youmbi was unfortunate to be ruled off-side after putting away a smart through ball from Jack Wilman. More goals were inevitable and Cassidy Hanakin topped a fine display as he calmly slotted away Saul Kane's through ball to make it 4-1.

Another through ball following a fine run from midfield by Kane put Dylan Youmbi through on goal for his second of the day and Leeds fifth as the whistle blew for the end of the second period.

The final third of the game fizzled out as Leeds tired and Hull started to disrupt Leeds' play and make chances of their own. Defensive lynchpin Aidan Rivers and Keeper Fin Wade made sure no more goals were conceded as they kept Hull at bay with some strong defending and some outstanding saves respectively.

5-1 it ended to Leeds and a fair score-line overall continuing Leeds City Boys squad's very promising start to their first season of District Football.