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Bradford 6-3 Leeds Blues

Bathed in sunshine, the Horsfall Community Stadium played host to Leeds SFA U-11 vs Bradford SFA u-11 with Leeds finding themselves 2-0 down after 20 minutes to a determined Bradford side.

Undeterred, Leeds roared back, reducing the deficit through Harry Cullen's well taken individual effort ahead of half time and then racing into the lead at the start of the second half. After equalising through an inspired Harry Cullen's cool strike Leeds made it 3-2 when Ollie Firth made a great run behind the Bradford defence and slotted past the stranded goalkeeper.

It was a lead they couldn't keep though and the rest of the half was Bradford's who after making it 3-3, took the lead with a questionable offside goal for 4-3 and a well hit low strike for their fifth. Goalkeeper Luca Darling leapt superbly to deny them another but Bradford's sixth came soon after. Despite initially awarding a goal kick, the referee changed his mind after pleas from the Bradford players and awarded a corner which was eventually turned into his own net by the unfortunate William Reynolds to rub salt in Leeds' wounds for 6-3.

Although the final score flattered Bradford somewhat, it wasn't Leeds' day but they can take lots of positives away before taking on Leeds Yellows in the big game next week.