

11th October 2024. Leeds Schools FA U11 Girls Vs Doncaster U11 Girls. Final Score 19-0

1st Half

It was a cold night in South Yorkshire when the Leeds U11 Girls faced Doncaster at the Eco-Power Stadium, and the Leeds attack wasted little time in getting warm by charging into the Doncaster half and scoring early. Jemima Pierce netted within just 2 minutes, and this was quickly followed by a brace from Rebecca Clayton. Leeds did not let up, and as the Doncaster defence were pulled out of shape, midfielders Emily Alderson and Isabella Toney pushed through the gaps and netted twice more each with clinical strikes. At 9-0 with just ten minutes gone, changes were made and Doncaster tried to work their way back into the game, but their efforts could not penetrate the Leeds defence and the travelling team continued to dominate. Maisie Chandler scored next for Leeds on the 14 minute mark and went on to make an excellent first half hat trick. Jemima got her second and Cora Gacquin also scored twice.

Half Time 13-0

2nd Half

At the start of the second half, Doncaster looked like a new side and clearly benefitted from their half time team talk. For the first time they began to push deep into Leeds territory and made their first serious attempts towards goal. However, getting past defenders Jorgi Atkin, Lilah Standish, Darcy Sunderland and beating Goalkeeper Poppy Robinson was no easy task. Leeds were able to push the Doncaster incursions away from goal and then break forward with speed on the counter attack through Amelia Gilmore. Rebecca scored a rapid second half hat-trick as Leeds began to pile on the pressure once again. Maisie then scored two more, either side of Isla Hardbottle's well-taken strike. If it had not been for the outstanding work of Doncaster's keeper, Leeds could have scored many more, but at full time the score was comprehensive. Under the feint glimmer of the northern lights in the sky, on this evening, it was the Leeds girls who shone brightest.

Full time 19-0

Leeds Coach Damien Atkin said *"That's three games, three wins and three clean sheets. Well played to all the girls"*.

Goals: Pierce 2', 20'

Clayton 3', 5', 38, 39, 42'

Alderson 6', 8'

Toney 9', 10'

Chandler 14, 19, 26, 44, 57'

Gacquin 17', 29'

Hardbottle 50'

Leeds U11 girls full team: Mia Coughlan, Poppy Robinson, Emily Alderson, Jorgi Atkin, Maisie Chandler, Rebecca Clayton, Brooke Dawson, Cora Gacquin, Amelia Gilmore, Paisley Gipson, Isla Hardbottle, Jemima Pierce, Lilah Standish, Darcy Sunderland, Isabella Toney.