

Leeds Schools FA U13s 3 – 1 Liverpool Schools FA U13s

Leeds U13s took another huge step towards National success on Saturday, when they faced Liverpool in the Quarter Finals of the ESFA National Cup winning 3-1.

The game started with a quick and fast pace set by the visitors and for 10 minutes, Leeds was on the back foot. However, due to the resilience shown by the back 4 of Ethan Alam, Oliver Grayston, Rafa Burton and captain Sam Sharp. They kept Liverpool from taking the lead. Moments later, a touch of class from Jack Swift created a superb opportunity and scored Leeds first of the morning.

Liverpool tried to create the equaliser but the hard work of Lucas Horne and Joseph Secker, prevented Liverpool's wide men getting in behind Leeds. Jacob O Flaherty started to pull the strings and make things happen in the middle of the park, whilst Ernie Browes stood tall and won every challenge in a tense battle throughout the match. Keeper Spencer Grand kept Leeds in the game with two fantastic saves, which could only be described as 'Unbelievable Jeff'. The coaches made a keeper change later on bringing in George Marsden to add further security and safety to the backline.

Jack Swift again created an opportunity with a tantalising cross, where Markluv Frimpong headed home Leeds second to make it 2-0. Leeds kept going and never stopped, every player wanting to win this game. Later in the second half another cross by Swifty and captain Sam Sharp put the game out of sight with a calm side footed volley making it 3-0. Harry Durbin came on to provide further creativity with his positive energy and Leeds looked comfortable. Liverpool did score late on and pulled one back making it a tense finish, however Leeds are now safely in to the semi final of the National Cup where they will now face local rivals Sheffield.

