

Friday 27th September

Leeds Schools U-11s girls continue winning start to the season with a hard fought victory against East Riding

Leeds schools FA Under-11s girls continued their impressive start to the season with a hard-fought victory over East Riding schools on Friday night.

In an even first half, both teams played well. Resolute defending was needed from Brooke Dawson, Jorgi Atkin and Lilah Standish to stifle the East Riding attacks. Mia Coughlan was also called into action to make a couple of excellent saves for Leeds.

At the other end of the pitch, Leeds pressed well, attacking effectively down both wings through Cora Gacquin and Isla Harbottle. Leeds were unlucky not to take the lead when shots from Emily Alderson and Paisley Gipson narrowly missed the target. At half time, the score remained 0-0.

In the second half, Leeds came out strongly. They began to dominate midfield, with Emily Alderson, Paisley Gipson and Amelia Gilmore linking up, setting up chances for forwards Maisie Chandler and Rebecca Clayton.

In the 37th minute Leeds won a penalty after a handball in the box. Maisie Chandler stepped up and confidently converted the penalty in the top corner to give Leeds a deserved lead.

Leeds followed up their first goal with a second strike in the 44th minute. Paisley Gipson played the ball through to Darcy Sunderland who struck the ball well to find the bottom corner.

The remainder of the second half remained competitive. The Leeds defence and keeper were again called into action to stifle the East Ridings attacks. Leeds also kept pushing forward and were unlucky not to extend the lead further through Rebecca Clayton and Paisley Gipson.

The match ended 2-0 with Leeds City Girls maintaining their 100% winning start to the season. Next up in the league is a trip to Doncaster on the 11 October.