

Match Report – T.R.F.C. Futsal Competition 3rd December 2019

This afternoon we travelled to Tranmere Rovers FC to play in the end of year Futsal competition, and what a performance it was! Some incredible statistics to back up some wonderful performances – 7 games played, 7 games won, 0 goals conceded & 24 goals scored!



Nine schools in all turned up to play in two groups, we were drawn against St. John's RC Primary, Lingham 'A' & St. Peter's 'B' in Pool B. Due to the fact that one team withdrew it meant we would play these teams twice before a final against the winner of Pool A – St. Joseph's, Great Meols, Lingham 'B', Woodlands & St. Peter's 'A'.

Our first game was tough one against a very strong St. John's and after an edgy start we managed to score two quick goals from Hadyn and win that game. After no rest we were pitted against Lingham for the first time, Hadyn managed another 3 goals before being substituted and I was convinced the team would score another three but a mixture of excellent goalkeeping and some wayward shooting the score stayed the same. After this we played our first game against St. Peter's 'B' and we played some brilliant football and at times the opposition didn't know where to look! Hadyn grabbed 4 goals, Zack and Josh L also grabbed a couple for good measure – running out 6-0 victors.

Our second round of games against the same opposition saw us win 2-0 against St. John's, 3-0 against St. Peter's and (unfortunately for my own OCD) 5-0 against St Peter's B. Goals from Josh L, Josh B, Jacob and funnily enough Hadyn!!

That meant we qualified for the final against a very strong St. Peter's A team. After a nervy start to the game, we settled into our stride and arguably played our best football of the day – Zack scoring one and Hadyn continuing his good form bagging two more goals.

Finally, a couple of specific mentions, Josh L planted a long-range free kick (from inside his own half) into the top corner – even though Mr A was screaming not to shoot. Hadyn scoring 17 goals, with the ref (Tranmere Rovers Academy Player – Mamaqu) adding, "that kid is insane!". However, my standout player was our goalkeeper Jacob, who was ABSOLUTELY OUTSTANDING! He made countless saves throughout the tournament and was particularly noticeable during the final when he was certainly our last line of defence!

A great afternoon was had by all, performance and behaviour was absolutely amazing, not only are these boys brilliant footballers they are fine ambassadors for Poulton Lancelyn!

Mr. Arnold