

## Sports News

### **Boys Off to Perfect Start in the League!**

This week, the Eversley boys' football team played their first two league games at Southgate School against Salcombe Prep and Vita et Pax. First up was Salcombe and as the boys kicked off, they gave a scintillating display of possession football by stringing together a number of passes as they moved through the thirds in their attacks. Towards the end of the first-half, Marino managed to drill home a low shot to give the boys a deserved 1-0 lead. This second-half saw George, Ruben and Diyon impressively shut out every Salcombe attack before Kyri wrapped the game up with a lovely finesse finish as Eversley won the game 2-0.

Vita et Pax were their next opponents as the boys again were dominant in the early stages of the game as Jack slotted a fine finish past the Vita et Pax keeper to get the boys in the lead. However, a free-kick from just outside the box gave Vita et Pax a chance to level as their attacker sent a thunderous strike through the Eversley wall to tie the scores. Quickly after, Eversley surprisingly found themselves a goal down as a lofted pass into the box rebounded kindly for their opponents as their striker was given a simple finish to put them in the lead. Despite the disappointment, the boys were determined not to be beaten as they launched several attacks and Lucas managed to pounce on a fumble from the keeper to make the score 2-2 at half-time. With the game in the balance, the boys really began to play their best football as a superb Lucas cross found Marino, who connected with an excellent towering header to put Eversley back in the lead. Kyri then got his second goal of the day after linking up well with Mikey and using some nimble footwork to put himself through and Marino then put the game beyond doubt as Eversley ran out 5-2 winners to give them maximum points from their first two games of the season. Well done boys! (Mr Robotham)



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### **Eversley Boys Football**

On Thursday 11th October the Eversley boys football B team played their first three matches of the season. The squad was: Christopher, Jack Anthony, Ceyhan, Alexie, Bilal, Nicholas, George, Ayaan, Kevin, Max and Nidal.

All the boys were excited going into their first game and started off well against a very strong Raglan team. Whilst Raglan looked dangerous on the attack, solid defending along with some great saves from our goal keeper ensured we went into half time at 0-0. The second half was much the same although it was Eversley who created the best chance of the game, with a great team move ending with Max who narrowly fired over the crossbar from just outside the box. The game ended 0-0 with the boys all feeling as if they had done enough to win the game.

Eversley continued the next game as they left off with some exciting link up play from the forwards however a lapse of concentration allowed the Hazelwood striker to go one on one with our goal keeper where he calmly slotted in to give them the lead. The boys showed great determination and continued to press for an equaliser but were unable to find the net as they fell to the first defeat of the afternoon.

The final match was against Hazelbury and whilst the boys looked most likely to score first after firing shot after shot at their goalie, it was our opponents who hit us on the break and managed to break the deadlock. Knowing we needed a goal late in the game, Eversley pushed everyone up for a corner in search of a goal but Hazelbury again countered and added to their tally, leading to another loss for the boys.

Despite the losses, all the boys showed great teamwork and determination throughout and can be pleased with their performances. (Alfie Bougourd)



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