

SPORTS NEWS

Boys Football Report

On Friday 14th October the Eversley boys football team went to St John's Secondary School and participated in a tournament. Most of the games were tough and others were less difficult.

Our first game was against Oakthorpe. Andrew made some great saves and the other players on our team like Calum, Sebastian and Antonio played really well. The final score was 0-0 for this game.

Our second game was against St Paul's. This was a tough game for us although we were very unfortunate to lose 1-0. Up next was Woodpecker, this was another very tight encounter which we were on the wrong side of losing 1-0.

Our next game brightened up Eversley's day. This game was a bit challenging and also a bit easier than the last games. The first goal was scored by Sebastian to give us a 1-0 lead. Then two minutes later Antonio scored a great goal to make it 2-0. In the last stages of the game some excellent defending from Nathan and Oliver along with a standout save from Andrew preserved our clean sheet and we were up and running.



Our next game was probably the toughest against the eventual winners St John's, who's forward is the son of former Arsenal striker Jeremy Aliadiere. We put up a great fight in this game but lost 3-0.

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Up next were St Andrew's, we dominated this game and had big chances but were unable to make a breakthrough. On the plus side it was another clean sheet with the game ending 0-0.

With four games left of the tournament we wanted to finish off strong and just see where it took us in the final standings. Grange Park were our next opponent and they were unbeaten in their six games so far. This was a tough game with both teams very evenly matched. In the final few moments Yashar did brilliantly before assisting Antonio who scored an amazing goal to put Eversley 1-0 up. The final score was 1-0 to Eversley!

We then played Merryhills and we were really starting to find our form and showcase our talents. Calum scored a fantastic goal to take Eversley to 1-0, when the whistle blew it was 1-0 to Eversley and we had beaten Merryhills.

Our penultimate game was against Raglan. The first two minutes were tough, Andrew made a few saves and that's when Andrew let Sebastian take the goal kick. He kicked the ball all the way from the Eversley goal straight into the Raglan goal, he had scored from a goal kick! It was 1-0. A few minutes after that Calum scored to make it 2-0 and in the final few minutes Antonio scored to make it 3-0. We had beaten a strong Raglan side 3-0.

Our last game was quite straight forward against Salcombe. Calum opened the scoring with a brilliant goal to make it 1-0. Within a minute Tom had doubled our lead with an amazing strike which flew past the Salcombe keeper and it was 2-0. In the last minute Dilan rounded off our tournament with a great finish at the back post to give Eversley a 3-0 victory. We ended the tournament with four straight wins, scoring eight goals and keeping four clean sheets in the process. Our final position was fourth out of eleven schools.

(Andrew Spitaliotis 6B)

Following on from Andrew's football report, Alfie and I would like to congratulate the team on a phenomenal first football tournament together. The boys showed a fantastic attitude in each game and some of the performances and goals we witnessed were up there with the best we have seen in our time at the school. The team didn't get the breaks in their first three games and could easily have won two of the three games they lost. To come back from that and finish the tournament with four wins against very good opposition shows great courage and determination. Eversley's fantastic start to the season continues. Well done boys!!!

(Niall Halloran)

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Girls Football Report

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On Wednesday 19th October the Eversley girls football team played their opening games of the season against Merryhills and St Paul's at Southgate School.

Up first was Merryhills. The game was a very cagey affair with both defences on top. Some strong defending from Chloe and Tia combined with some good saves from Sophia prevented the girls from falling behind. Mid way through the first half some brilliant build up play between Isabella and Kayla before the ball was played to Ava who went on a great run before firing a powerful strike past the Merryhills goalkeeper and into the bottom left corner to give Eversley a 1-0 lead.

The second half followed a similar pattern to the first with both sides struggling to create big chances due to solid defending. The team stayed resolute with some astute defending from Lily and Chloe enabling Eversley to kick off their season with a hard fought 1-0 victory.



Up next was St Paul's. This was a very different game to the first with lots of big chances for both sides. St Paul's posed a trickier challenge for the girls but they were more than a match for the opposition. St Paul's started brightly and a smart finish from their forward gave them a 1-0 lead in the opening few minutes. Eversley responded to the goal brilliantly and with the introduction of Ava created big chances to get in level before the break. The team were very unfortunate to be losing at half time.

The second half was a continuation of the first with a very open end to end encounter with both sides trying to get the all important second goal. The girls were pushing for the equaliser and with two minutes left on the clock Laura threaded the ball through to Kayla who's shot was tipped around the post and Eversley had a corner. Ava crossed the ball in and there was a melee in the box before the ball broke to Dilara and under extreme pressure she coolly slotted the ball into the bottom right corner to give the team a deserved equaliser. The game finished 1-1 and the team had taken four points from their opening two games which is an excellent start to their league campaign. All of the girls showed a great attitude and good sportsmanship to their opposition players. Well done girls!!!

(Niall Halloran)

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