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AROUND THE GROUNDS

Upcoming Events:

May 22nd – goal keeper training night with our Coaching Director Tony

May 26th – Team photo day. Your Manager will have all the details

June 3rd – U8 Gala day. This year's Gala day is proving to be the biggest ever with 36 teams from all over Sydney registered to play – any help from LFC players and parents would be greatly appreciated

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Match Results:

Saturday					Sunday				
AG/Div	Home Team	H	A	Away Team	AG/Div	Home Team	H	A	Away Team
AA/C	Forest Rangers (1)	0	4	Lugarno	AAW/A	Lugarno	0	5	Bexley North
AA/D	Lugarno (2)	0	2	Forest Rangers	O35/A	Lugarno FC	3	4	Penshurst West
AA/D	Carss Park (1)	2	1	Lugarno (1)	PWL/1	Lugarno	1	3	Dolls Point
AA/F	Carlton Rovers	1	0	Lugarno (1)	U16G/B	Lugarno FC	1	1	Bexley North
AA/F	Lugarno (2)	6	3	Sans Souci					
AA/G	Lugarno	0	1	Kogarah Waratah					
AA/H	Lugarno	0	0	Penshurst West					
AAA1/1	Lugarno	1	4	Carss Park					
AAAR/R	Lugarno	0	3	Carss Park					
PL1/1	Carlton Rovers	1	1	Lugarno					
PLR/R	Carlton Rovers	5	1	Lugarno					
U12/A	Lugarno FC	7	1	Banksia Tigers					
U13/C	Lugarno FC	3	0	SGFA Warriors					
U14/A	Scots FC	5	0	Lugarno FC					
					Friday				
U16/B	Lugarno	1	1	ASOW	O45/A	Lugarno	4	1	Sans Souci

Match Reports:

6B 1 v Sans Souci

After last week's dominant display which ended in a disappointing 1-1 draw after hitting the woodwork 6 times, the boys were ready to finish off their chances this week. We faced Sans Souci and with home ground advantage we made it count. We started with a very strong line-up with our ball dominant player Christopher, attacking winger Cooper and defensive specialist Liam and Benji. On the bench we had another great ball dominant player in Elijah and the return of our 2nd year experienced player Dylan, who is also specialising in defence. We were only missing Julian as he was away for the weekend. Coach Eddy has done a great job finding players strengths and introducing a bit of structure and formation, which isn't seen much in the under 6's.

Sans Souci got out of the blocks quick and got an early goal, before Christopher replied quickly, not once, not twice, but 3 times - wow a super-fast hat-trick and it was 3-1 LFC! Before long Christopher looked like he would add a fourth with another magic run, but with a fresh Elijah on, he came up and finished the job with a couple of quick touches and bang 4-1 LFC, which remained the score till half-time.

2nd half was a much slower pace and Sans Souci pegged one back at which time Manager Michael pulled both Christopher and Cooper off to give Elijah and defensive 3 some more ball. Elijah took full advantage taking a ball from our goals, heading to the sideline, running along the wing and cutting back inside for a magic Coast to Coast goal. The scored remained 5-2 LFC till full time - WELL DONE to our little champions and it was great to play against another bunch of supportive parents for both sides.

Funny how football works, with 3 of the dads who have played together at LFC for years and never crossed paths with Sans Souci, would come up against Sans Souci later in that day too and also win by the same margin (refer to AAF 2 match report below).



7B 3 v Bexley North

POTM: Jarvis Parmenter

We were back at Gannons this week with a new opponent, Bexley North.

Immediately from the kick off, Hunter found some space and took an “on target” shot which was only cleared with cms to spare by the Bexley defender.

In a tense opening... Lucian continued to impress with his aggression, and Samuel W was relentless in his defence.

Although the score was locked at 0-0 at the half, I was impressed with the passing, aggression and overall concentration of the boys.

Aidan made some decisive kicks, and Zach L was on fire with some skilful runs, but we just couldn't find the back of the net today. As the final whistle approached, Jarvis stepped up a gear and had two shots on goal that narrowly missed the target. For his strong play, especially in the 2nd Half, Jarvis won this week's Player of the match.

The result didn't go our way today, but overall, I was actually pleased with the effort and teamwork in a very close and entertaining match. We just didn't have that last touch in front of goal today which would have given us the result.



10B 1 v Forest Rangers

Goal Scorers: Charlie / Billy

Manager's Trophy: Lily & Billy

Coach's Trophy: Romeo & Josh

Not only was it 'Shoosh' week, it was a big 'Events' day.... The royal wedding, the FA Cup Final... but the biggest event by far was our 9.35am KO v Forest Rangers!

Our little superstars had trained hard in the week and I was confident of a full team, however our attack was depleted just an hour before kick off with the late withdrawal of Tristan due to a bad cold – rest up buddy!

This meant a slight change of personnel in the attack with Michael, Josh and Elle all working together to put the Rangers defence under attack.



We started well and put the Rangers goal under siege from the off.

Some smart and fancy footwork in the middle of the park from both Billy and Malachi saw some neat passing between the midfield and attack.

Our defence trio of Oska, Romeo and Lily were in fine form keeping Charlie's goal nicely protected – confidence was running high!

With strikes from Josh, Michael, Elle and Billy I was confident we were going to break the dead-lock.

Unfortunately for us ... somebody hadn't informed the Rangers attack to 'move with the play' and they chose to camp out on the edge of our area through-out the game ... so it was a case of kick the ball long to them to try and score – and score they did, with 3 goals in quick succession...

This seemed to spark our superstars into 5th gear and as we continued to push forward in numbers ... it was Billy's brilliance on the right who seemed to dance around 4 players to neatly chip the ball over the Rangers keeper from the tightest of angles.

As halftime approached we mixed things up a little to strengthen our attack – out of goal came the 'caged tiger' Charlie who was desperate to add to his goal tally.

In went Malachi as Josh went into the middle of the park.

The whistle blew for the 2nd half to start and Rangers couldn't get near the ball. Some fantastic link up play with Lachie and Michael down the right wing and Josh and Billy were now working together in the middle of the park to link up our attack of Charlie, Abs and Elle.

With Oska again commanding his troops at the back, there was no way through for Rangers.

Romeo was playing like a man possessed all over the park... I don't think he left a blade of grass untouched.

We pressed and pressed and again it was Billy and his fancy footwork on the right wing who drove the ball across the face of the goal for Chop to neatly strike the ball into the roof of the net.

We pressed and pressed but it was the Rangers goal-keeper that kept our attacks at bay.

As we cleared our lines from the back, the ball bounced just in front of the Rangers attack and with a launch of a Rangers right boot the ball was straight into the back of our net....

It was unfortunate as we'd had the majority of the possession...

The game finished at 4-2.

Whilst we were on the losing end today, I thought it was one of the best games I've seen us play.

The passing, the link up play, the tackling and the fancy footwork was evident for all to see. Keep up the good work guys. Big shout out to trophy winners Billy, Lily, Josh and Romeo – all very impressive today!

108 2 v Carss Park

POTM: Anika

Today we played against Carss Park at Gannons. The team started off really well, putting some nice passes together and creating a few good opportunities up front. It was a tight game in the first half, and we held them scoreless for most of the first half thanks to some good defending and good saves from Adrian in goals. They unfortunately scored 2 quality goals towards the end of the first half, which not many keepers would have saved. We had our chances up front also, with Emma hitting the post, and Zoe and Ari coming close with some good shots on goal.

We went into the break at 2-0 down and told the players to keep their heads up and keep fighting. We came out a lot stronger in the 2nd half and seemed a lot more organised in our positional play. We were also attacking a lot more in the second half, as noted by the number of corners we won. Unfortunately, a lapse in concentration saw the opposition make a break against the run of play which resulted in us conceding another goal and going 3-0 down. But that didn't stop the team from fighting, with Anika in particular showing some real determination to make some great runs down the line on the right. The hard work finally paid off with a loose ball in the box, which Emma pounced on and volleyed. With the opposition keeper unable to keep hold of the ball, it hit the back of the net and Emma had her 2nd goal in as many games. We were now 3-1 down which is how the game finished.

The coaches comments for each player:

Zoe - great attacking presence, she played both midfield and striker and was a constant threat to their defence

Yushra - unfortunately could not make the game but hopefully we get her back in the next week or so

Daisy - great effort in defence, she is really relishing the sweeper role and is very solid at the back

Emma - our central midfielder was everywhere in attack and defence today, and scored her 2nd goal in and many games

Anika - fantastic effort in defence today, but also made some really determined runs through the midfield and towards goal - a great effort!

Aydin M - got down and dirty today, he was in thick of the action and is showing great improvement every game - well done!

Ari - our striker played well today, and nearly got his maiden goal for the season that would have cost his dad a PlayStation! Keep up the effort in training and you will have your PlayStation in no time 😊

Bailey - what a terror, he was in everything today and ran all game. His throw-ins were like corners and put us on the attack straight away

Aydon W - again a big improver, he is getting better with each game - some of his passes were really good today and he managed to help us get back on the attack when we needed to

Adrian - a great effort in goals today, whilst they scored 3 they definitely could have had more had it not been for some great saves he pulled off for the team

Our player of the match was Anika, who received the McDonald's award for today with a great effort in defence and attack. She made some fantastic barnstorming runs and was involved in everything. Great effort!

Great work 10B2's - fantastic effort from all players. Even though we lost, we managed to finish the 2nd half 1-1, which made us Coaches proud of your efforts. Well done to all.

13C v St George Warriors



AAF (2) v Sans Souci

Won 6 – 3

Goal Scorers: Eddy 4 / Ian / Rob

After consecutive heavy defeats the past 2 weeks, the boys were eager to get back to winning ways against Sans Souci.

Once again though, we got off to a slow start and conceded the opening goal. We eventually got into the game and took control by halftime. A cool chip over the keeper by Eddy and a deflected shot by Rob gave us a 2-1 lead at the break.

After missing some good chances early in the second half, we finally found our goal scoring touch and killed the game off. Eddy capped off a great game with a 2nd half hat-trick...4 for the match! But the highlight goal came from Zorba (aka Bernie) when he headed in the ball (and himself) in the back of the net after a brilliant run and cross by Johnny down the right flank.

In the end we ran out comfortable 6-3 winners.

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