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AROUND THE GROUNDS

Goal Keeper Training:

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Tuesday nights – 1st & 22nd May, 5th June, 3rd July & 7th August – contact your Age coordinators to register

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Match Results:

Saturday					Sunday				
AG/Div	Home Team	н	Α	Away Team	AG/Div	Home Team	н	A	Away Team
AA/D	Lugarno (1)	1	2	Lugarno (2)	AAW/A	Forest Rangers	1	0	Lugarno
AA/F	Lugarno (2)	5	2	Carlton Rovers	O35/A	Lugarno FC	2	7	Arncliffe Aurora
AA/F	Forest Rangers	7	1	Lugarno (1)	PWL/1	Connells Point	0	3	Lugarno
AA/G	Oatley FC	2	1	Lugarno	U16G/B	Connells Point	4	3	Lugarno FC
AAA1/1	Lugarno	0	2	Hurstville ZFC			•		
AAAR/R	Lugarno	1	2	Hurstville ZFC					
PL1/1	Rockdale Suns	3	0	Lugarno					
PLR/R	Rockdale Suns	2	1	Lugarno					
U12/B	Kogarah Waratah	2	0	Lugarno FC					
U13/C	Bexley North	1	0	Lugarno FC					
U14/A	Lugarno FC	3	1	Bexley North	Friday				
U16/B	Lugarno	2	2	Kogarah Waratah	O45/A	Lugarno	1	10	Hurstville Minotaurs

Match Reports:

6B1 v Arncliffe Aurora

After starting the season with a tight 1-0 win, our U6B1's have been on the wrong end of the scoreboard the last couple of weeks and interest quickly turned to doing push-ups or chasing butterflies on the field rather than playing football.

But after a great training session with our Club Coaching Director, Tony, and the rest of the U6 squads, confidence was at an all-time high as we arrived nice and early to a wet Arncliffe Park in the rainy conditions. Soon we felt we were at Gannons Park with our little U6 LFC champions braving the weather along with 5 rival Forest Rangers players and only 2 Arncliffe players from their two squads.

After a quick conversation, it was decided that LFC would play a combined Rangers & Arncliffe team.



We started strong and Christopher, our most consistent player this year, opened our account with a great dribble and strike. Cooper, after a two week overseas holiday, was on fire with some magic runs - just lacked the final touch otherwise he would have bagged a brace. Elijah worked extremely hard to get the ball through the pack in the middle and little Liam was everywhere with his signature "hey ya" kick.

With big brother Dylan out of action, young Benji stepped up to the defensive role in our team and had a great moment with a much bigger Arncliffe player - all but scoring, he came from nowhere took the player, ball and goalpost out, dusted it off and played on. And finally, Julian might have found his perfect role - he was a defensive presence out there, after being told when they get the ball make sure you come back and protect the our goals and yes, he lived up to his role!

An Arncliffe player equalised and, with the arrival of 2 additional Arncliffe players, we decided to play the 2nd half with 6 vs 6 to give everyone a fair go. Soon our boys looked tired and a Rangers player put one away and their team took the lead 2-1. But we fought hard and almost got an equaliser on many occasions, it did come but unfortunately through an own goal, but a 2-2 draw was well deserved by our team who ended up playing against 9 players.

Well done team.

7B 3 v Carss Park

POTM: Zachary Longbottom

On a wet morning at Carrs Park, we were happy to have a full team of 7 raring to go.

Carrs Park were quick out of the blocks, and only thanks to some excellent defending from Samuel W were we able to hang in there early. He safely cleared several chances on our goal and partnered well with Boyley to create some chances of our own. Boyley was full of energy and made a number of nice clearing runs, with his



clear highlight being an awesome "on point" pass across goal for a close chance for us.

Jarvis again looked dangerous in attack, using his speed and ball control to keep their defenders guessing all half. Carrs Park however were on their game and took a 3 goal advantage into the break.

We started to gain the advantage late in the first half and it carried over to the 2nd (thanks to the half time oranges), with some crisp passing giving us chance after chance... but we just couldn't find the back of the net.

Lucian showed continued promise, displaying much improved aggression and skill. He had a great overall game and was backed up strongly by Aidan who, as always, gave us powerful clearing kicks.

We desperately needed a spark up front, and Hunter came through this week scoring a nice 3 goals in as many minutes, thanks to an overall team effort to put him in position.

It set up an exciting finish, with the player of the week this Zach L, showing his skill with some strong defending and clearing runs.

Despite being down early, it was good to see the boys playing hard right up to the end. I was happy with their attitude, they passed well and showed top sportsmanship amongst each other and to the other team.

8B1 v Hurstville Minotaurs

POTM: Elizabeth

Today's home game clash with Hurstville Minotaurs was an awesome team performance. In cold conditions the little ones took to the field with big smiles!

Elijah - Had a great first half AGAIN in goals and had some great runs down the field in the second! Elijah has been listening well and perfecting his kicks every week!

Elizabeth - Elizabeth is a little legend! She is always ready to go! Great in tackles, great kicking and a great team player! She was the most improved player this week!

Jackson - Protecting the goals as always! Jackson is a great defender and today's game was no different!

Kale - Kale has a great game today showing lots of improvement with great kicks and tackling to win the ball!



Leni - Leni never stops, she had a cracking game today and just missed her first goal! She was our little energiser bunny today!

Luca - Luca is such a great team player! Great runs up the field and even better throw ins this week!



Maddy - Such a strong player up front always happy and doesn't give up, Maddy has some awesome runs up the field too with a few near misses! She was on fire today!

Victoria - Victoria had some great kicks today! She is a dominant player and gets better every week! Always smiling and LOVES her football!

This week's POTM went to Elizabeth; she has been so great at training and games! She always arrives and leaves with a big smile, she listens at all times and tries her hardest every game. Elizabeth had a great game today and some awesome tackles to win the ball - she has no fear! Great Work.

8A v Sans Souci

Goal Scorers: Samuel 3 / Marcus 3 / Kai 2 / Annie **POTM:** Marcus

Cracking game away at Sans Souci, 2 hat tricks, Marcus and Samuel; a brace, Kai; and a hard-fought single from Annie put our entire front line on the scoresheet. At the back of the park the players performed in a stellar manner, from the goalkeepers to our rotating back line, Riley, Jonas and Henry were giants in defence while Isaac and Sam E were fantastic in goal. While they weren't called upon that often, when they were they stepped up and did an excellent job of keeping the ball out of the back of the net.

Marcus: Player of the Match performance today, Marcus did an amazing job on the left wing scoring three goals and dominating the left side of the pitch, he was unlucky not to have scored more.

Riley: One third of the dynamic trio in the defensive line in the first half, Riley was pinging balls forward to



his attackers. In the second half Riley came on and did an amazing job in the middle of the park winning balls and delivering key passes in attack.

Samuel: A super effort from Samuel today playing the whole game. Predominantly out of the midfield today he scored three goals, while also tracking the ball back and helping to ensure that the ball was spread evenly around the park.

Isaac: Starting in goals this week, Isaac once again put on a powerful display of skill and determination, he wasn't afraid to put his body on the line to keep the ball out of the back of the net.

Kai: bagged himself two goals today, bombing down the right flank and wreaking havoc on the opposition back line. Excellent efforts turning the ball in centrally and very impressive corner kicks.

Jonas: the second third of our defensive trio today, Jonas hustled his way on to the ball and looked to push the ball up the field. He left little opportunity for the other team to get past. A very successful foray into the back line.

Annie: Stellar performance from Annie who spent her first full game on the field. Spending most of her time on the right side of the field she pressed high helped create goal scoring opportunities, while bagging one for herself in the process.

Sam E: Sam was ever reliable in the first half while he was covering in left back, then in the second half he donned the gloves and protected the goals. He was never too far away from the action, hustling the opposition into difficult and hurried decisions.

Henry: the final third of our dynamic trio defensive line, after a brief but effective stint up front Henry played super smart and ensured that he was ever present to protect the goal, most importantly today he even got a little more adventurous and started push forward.

Ben: missed the game due to being on holidays, but did send the best support photo and message I think I've ever seen.

<u>982</u> v 9B3

POTM: Miles

On a soggy day, the team arrived hungry for football.

Zoe was starving and had a few great runs busting up the centre. Hugh had more than his share with some great tackles and good running up the wings. Oli was there whenever a loose crumb was to be had and Harley cleaned up any leftovers with precision, leaving Emma and Charlie with clean dinner plates in goals.

Our dynamic offense with Emersen and Elle threatened to gobble up the game and Ashton put away firsts and went for seconds with a thumping shot of the crossbar. Miles, starved of football this week gobbled up 6 and took home a doggy bag and player of the match.



108 1 v Banksia Tigers

Goal Scorers: Tristan / Charlie

A little bit of rain never hurt anyone!

The ducks were crying out for it and the local groundsman had secretly been doing their rain dances to help the grass grow.... They both got their wishes!

With the short trip down the road to Banksia I could hear the conversations of... Is the game still on? I'm cold, I've never played in the rain before ... and can I keep my jumper on! (and that was just from the parents.... Jokes of course)!! 😳

As soon as the whistle blew, our little champions were first out of the blocks and the early interchanges between our midfield trio of Billy, Charlie and Abs and our front two of Lachie and Michael looked promising ... We broke the deadlock early on with a finely executed goal from Tristan – it was game on!



The rain continued and we battled away, however it was the Tigers that seemed to have us on the back foot and sneaked a couple of goals past us... Not sure how as Josh seemed to get in the way of everything else that was thrown at him.

Big tackles came in from Malachi and Romeo before the whistle blew for half time... As we trudged off at

halftime to grab a dose of vitamin C we decided to change things around.

Now with Tristan between the sticks, and Charlie and Josh roaming together up front, we pushed forward in numbers creating chance after chance!

A fine display of skills in the middle of the park from Billy, and some intricate passing from Elle, Abs, Michael and Josh, was great to watch.

We pushed forward in numbers, however again it was the Tigers that broke again and hurt us with 3 goals in quick succession.

You'd think our heads would have gone down, but never underestimate these little legends – with Malachi getting his head, foot and body in front of everything we continued to drive forward. We kept creating more chances but couldn't seem to get the ball in the back of the net....

Corner after corner, but it wasn't until the last minute when a long clearance out of our back 3 fell to the feet of Charlie.... Just inside the Tigers half ... fearing the worst and 3 players in front of him there were calls from the travelling support of "help him out, pass it" ...

A drop of the shoulders to the left, and one to the right, he'd broken free from the 3 defenders and now, faced with the oncoming keeper, Charlie slipped the ball past him just as the final whistle blew to bring it back to 5-2... A fine goal that even Messi or Neymar would have been proud to claim!

Again, a great game, but unfortunate to be on the losing end... The skills, the passing and the tackling was a delight to watch and you should all be very proud.

We've adjusted well to the bigger pitch and playing well as a team – Like last week, we probably lost a bit of puff in the second half so guess what we'll be working on in training... Our fitness 😳

Special shout out to our trophy winners today – an excellent performance in the first half from Josh that kept the Tigers at bay, and Malachi who has "the heart of a lion" covered every blade of grass – cracking games guys!

Also, a big thanks to Oska for coming down to support his team mates. We all hope the ankle injury gets better soon – we are missing you!

Enjoy the last few days of school holidays and see you all at training on Wednesday.

<u>PWL</u> v Connells Point

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Goals Scorer: Bec 3

Today's Round 5 clash saw our women up against Connells Point at Jubilee Oval for the 'Girls Grassroots Football' day feature Round.

The girls were pumped and ready to go as we marched out onto the pitch and it was on! The team were on fire today with a great possessional game, spreading and utilising the width of the field throughout the game.

Bec was on fire today scoring her first HATTRICK - she had multiple great sprints down the field and great ball control finding the back of the net on three separate occasions!



The team all round had a great game and dominated in the second half scoring in the first 10 minutes of the second half and continued to keep the score at 3-0 for the remainder of the match!

Sophia had an awesome game in goals and was very vocal in lifting the team, our defensive line was effortless at regaining the ball and ensuring it was out of our half, our midfielders were awesome at putting pressure on the Connells Point midfielders and the forwarders were amazing at getting through their back line!

Excellent effort today ladies and thanks to all the supporters for coming to cheer us on!



AAF (2) v Carlton Rovers Won 5 – 2

Goal Scorers: Frank 2 / Eddy / Robert / Atef

This week we took on a youthful, undefeated Rovers team on an 'interesting' Gannons No 8 surface.

Our first half performance was one of our best this season. Atef opened the scoring after a nice turn-and-shot beat the keeper low to his right. Lugarno 1-0.

Rovers had speed up front but couldn't convert their half chances. Jeremy's in-swinging corner was diverted into the net by a Rovers defender... but Medium Frank was happy to claim it. Lugarno 2-0.

Our dominance was rewarded just before halftime when a hobbling Rob chested down a pass and smashed it past the keeper to open his account for the year. Halftime Lugarno 3-0.

Both teams created chances in the 2nd half...but it was Medium Frank who continued his impressive goal scoring form when he put away Mark's headed flick-on from a long throw-in. Lugarno 4-0.

Rovers' effort was rewarded soon after when they pulled a goal back following a counter-attack. Lugarno 4-1.

Their hope of a comeback was quickly squashed though after Eddy coolly steered a shot past the keeper from inside the box. Lugarno 5-1. With the game killed off, there was still time for Coxy's trademark laugh following Vlado's 'panda' roll in midfield. Carlton ended the scoring with a late consolation goal to make the final scoreline 5-2.