

Leeds 2 v Barnsley 2 U11

Leeds started very strongly with good energy from George Courtney in midfield leading to a quality strike from Oli PRYSZCZYK from outside the box, putting the away side 1 up within a couple of minutes.

Unfortunately the early momentum slowed somewhat and Barnsley took control hitting the bar and forcing an excellent save from Alex Fraser. It wasn't long before Barnsley equalised, however the lads kept battling thanks to some good defence from Jack Ainley. Although it wasn't pretty they held on.

Alex was injured following a brave save and Owen Keeney gallantly stepped up to take his place. With the team temporarily down to 8 lads Jack Clarke provided a great cross from the left wing to the back post for Luca Fella to coolly volley home at close range to go in the lead.

The pendulum was beginning to swing back to Leeds and Alex was back in goal for the final 3rd. The team seemed to have renewed desire and hunger. Charlie Ball and Elliott Farrell controlled the midfield and Ewan KELLEHER, Cameron Throp and Owen were solid in defence. Barnsley had little possession for the remainder of the game. Alasdair Kerr and Oli Baugh provided good pace and crosses from the wings. Better movement and passing on the ground from all. The belief was starting to build. The away fans were looking forward to another goal or 2.....unfortunately they didn't come and Barnsley somehow managed to score from a controversial, long range free kick in the dying seconds. It finished 2-2 but with encouraging signs from Leeds towards the end of the game, which most agreed (including some of the Barnsley fans) Leeds deserved to win.