

## Leeds Hold Off Early League Toppers York

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Leeds City Boys Under 11s, in a dazzling display of teamwork and tenacity, secured a two all home draw.

Leeds were out of the traps fast. The team settled into their stride early on and only minutes in to play showed York they meant business as Thomas Mills ghosted in to score from a deep far post cross. Then just before the end of the first period Max Dickin-son confidently glided past two defenders, composed himself, and with a cracking shot hit the top corner to put Leeds ahead at 2-0.

Play opened again with Leeds vehemently defending their lead. Some great passing from George McDonnell and Ewan McGawn kept up the pressure, whilst a plethora of corners at the York end saw a near miss when a shot by Alfie Bradshaw clipped the cross bar. York retaliated with their first goal, a quick break down the left and curling cross saw the striker finish smart;y to bring the score to 2-1.

Leeds kept up the pressure up with strong defending from Ethan Weaver and captain George Sebine, but yet again York found the back of the net to even the score after a goalmouth scramble following a corner.

Leeds not to be deterred kept creating chances and surged forward again on the attack with a run from Aidan Durkan resulting in a powerful shot which stung the opposing keeper's chest rebounding to Charlie Whittingham whose effort from the spinning ball went narrowly wide.

At the other end York came close to finding the back of the net but a good unsighted re-action save from Harvey Collinson kept the ball out.

Tense end to end action, with Dylan Cadena executing no less than three excellent clearances, Whittingham keeping the pressure on the wing, and George Grumley's su-per covering tackles ensured York didn't score again.

It was an exciting well matched game in which Leeds had the better chances but could never relax against a lively York attack but it was a contest that the crowd very much enjoyed.

