

## Win for Leeds SFA U11s in First League Outing

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In their first West Yorkshire League match, Leeds SFA U11s secured a comfortable 4-1 home win.

In the opening minutes the teams were evenly matched, then as the Leeds boys settled into their new positions they started to create opportunities. After only 8 minutes Aidan Durkan found the back of the net but alas it was offside.

Not to be disheartened the boys kept a strong defensive line with Ethan Weaver a colossus at centre back and combined with continuing pressure up front the shots on goal started to come.

After an explosive flurry of goal mouth activity from Leeds attackers, a throw out from the Nottingham keeper was intercepted by George Sebine. Sebine provided an impressive pass to Alfie Bradshaw whose shot from distance found the back of the net.

Just seconds before the first period ended it looked like Nottingham were set to equalise but an incredible double save from keeper Harvey Collinson put paid to that.

When play resumed Nottingham were next to score but Leeds soon retaliated when George Grumley fed Whittingham who in turn released Thomas Mills who rounded the keeper and tucked the ball away for a 2-1 lead.

Just minutes later the lively Charlie Whittingham decisively put the ball in the back of the net. Not content with that, after a Nottingham play out from their goal area broke down thanks to pressing play by Ewan McGawn, Whittingham took a shot which the keeper parried then he calmly scored from the rebound. Dylan Cadena was very impressive especially with some well timed thunderous tackles. The Leeds boys never once dropped their intensity and with Max Dickinson and George McDonnell powering forward continually to support wide players Noah Gill and Mills the Nottingham team could not get a foothold in the game.

All in all a strong team performance from Leeds against a skilful Nottingham side, and optimistic thoughts for the season ahead.