

Match report – Leeds Schools U12's vs Barnsley 30/11/19

Leeds Schools u12's fought back from a 2 goal deficit to earn a draw away at Barnsley following a run of two defeats in their previous games.

The first half was all Barnsley and only strong defending from the visitors and some excellent goal mouth saves from keeper Ethan Riley kept Leeds in the game. Lucas Alexander and James Wilson had the sole chances for Leeds but failed to capitalise on the opportunity and were fortunate to go into half time 0-0.

The second half started positively for Barnsley who scored early on and when they efficiently put a second away it looked like their half time team talk had worked and they would walk away with the game. A determined Leeds team managed to turn things round and absorbed the increased pressure, defender Riley Grimes breaking free on the right and finding space to shoot and score to bring Leeds back to within a goal.

The equaliser came from another break on the right, Grimes again finding space in the Barnsley half and putting a cross into the box where Zack Finn volleyed it into the back of the net with some force. A tense last ten minutes followed where Leeds confidence had returned and they looked like they could find the winner but Barnsley held their composure and the game ended level.