



ECJS Senior Football

Season Update



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“All three teams worked together and enjoyed playing against another school.” – Archie Annan

Wednesday 8th October – St Martin’s (Home)

A Team: It was a second consecutive defeat for the As. The first half was even, with both sides creating chances. Heading into half-time, the game was still goalless, with both teams evenly matched. A goal just before the half-time whistle gave St Martin’s the advantage. From that point on, they dominated to game, scoring a further five goals without reply. It was a tough result for the As, but they can take positives forward to the next fixture and know that they are capable of playing against the very best teams.

Beechwood Bulls: From 1-0 down, the Beechwood ‘Bulls’ pressed forward looking for a way back into the game. Conor Tully scored the all-important goal, to bring the sides level at half-time. James Berry added a second after half-time, with Tully getting his second of the game. It was a strong display from the ‘Bulls’. Jake Swaisland made several fine saves to keep the ‘Bulls’ in control of the game. It proved to be the first win of the season for the second team – well done!

Beechwood Blues: For the first time in history, three Beechwood Football teams graced the College Field. The ‘Blues’ were solely Year 5s and they proved to be a force to be reckoned with. Goals from James Le Vasseur (2), Alex Falla and Max Jefferies, helped to secure a 4-1 victory. Daniel Lasenby, Huxley Le Conte and Captain Remi Guezo all had strong games. Throughout the game, goalkeeper Freddie Greenfield kept the ‘Blues’ in control of the game, making some great saves. Well done to all of the Beechwood ‘Blues’ squad.

Wednesday 15th October – Vale (Home)

A Team: In torrential weather, the As put in a gutsy performance against a formidable Vale team. The visitors had plenty of possession, but some excellent defending and goalkeeping from Jake Swaisland kept the game goalless until just before half time. Vale broke the deadlock after a small defensive error, right on the half-time whistle. It was a cruel blow for the As, but in the second half, they kept working with great determination in the driving rain. The As created a few half-chances and Michael Kennedy came closest. His right footed strike from outside the area had the goalkeeper worried, but just cleared the cross bar. The heavy pitch was starting to takes its toll on the boys. In the dying seconds, Vale scored a second, which was cruel on the As given their fantastic effort throughout the game.

Beechwood Bulls: A James Berry goal was the highlight of the ‘Bulls’ second encounter. Vale dominated large amounts of the game and scored EIGHT goals! Despite the score line, the boys worked tirelessly throughout and got their reward with the Berry goal. At times, Ben Moloney was left as the sole defender and it became impossible to repel all the Vale attacks. The boys will be able to take some positives from this game, but will need to work together in attack and defence, so they don’t succumb to a similar result.

Beechwood Blues: After victory in their previous game, the ‘Blues’ were in confident mood. They had a share of possession but every attack seemed to be repelled by the ‘giants’ in the Vale defence. The weather was making conditions hard to play ‘pretty’ football, but the boys kept to their task. Vale soon started to apply the pressure and began to dominate large parts of the game. Despite the best efforts from the ‘Blues’ defence and goalkeeper Remi Guezo, Vale scored five goals without reply. The ‘Blues’ kept working right up to the final whistle, but couldn’t find the goal they deserved.



Beechwood ‘Bulls’



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Beechwood As