

St Faith's Match Reports

W/C 21st February 2022



U13 1st Hockey Team vs Bedford

The first team had a narrow loss against a strong Bedford side in what was a fast paced match with a lot of quickly taken free hits. The first half was quite open with plenty of attacking play and several short corners for each side but no goals. Both teams played a similar style of hockey, trying to pass the ball around and find pockets between the defence.

Early in the second half, Bedford bundled home the only goal of the match. St Faith's applied pressure for the rest of the half, but couldn't quite come up with the equaliser. James RB came the closest when hitting the post from a short corner.

Overall it was a good performance with some players playing out of their preferred position and both teams being able to take away positives from the match.

Result: Lost 0-1

Match Report by: Nate

U13 2nd Hockey Team vs Bedford

In the first match back after half term, the U12 A team playing as the seconds, started very well. The first goal came inside 10 minutes, with good play taking it round the keeper for a tap in. The next came in less than 5 minutes. By half time, St Faiths were in control, leading 2-0. Then the Bedford boys came out firing, with 2 lovely goals, great hockey. St Faiths hit back, showing great attitude to respond to those two goals. With 2 goals, both being scored off short corners, St Faiths were back in control with renewed energy. With 5 minutes to go, Bedford scored of a short corner – game on! St faiths held on, eking out the clock. A great victory for the U12 A team, and good practice for national finals on Monday.

The goal scores were 2 for Jack, 1 for Hamish, and 1 for Ross. I'm giving the man of the match to the team, for our outstanding attitude and fight.

Match report by: Jack

U13 5th Hockey Team vs Bedford

There were 7 St Faith's players and 10 Bedford players yet only 6 players per team were allowed on the pitch. For St Faith's, 5 players rotated and 2 players (Tom and Angus) stayed constantly on the pitch. Each team had a strength and a weakness. Bedford attacked a lot on the left wing to gain possession but we took advantage of their mistakes and managed to score 3 goals.

The man of the match was Tom because he was strong in defence. At one point in the game there was a 1 v 4 situation and Tom was still able to defend. Tom showed great work and consistency in the game, not tiring even though he didn't rotate in subs.

Out of the 3 goals only 2 people scored, those people were Angus who once injected the ball into the short corner, went to the post and when Mathew took a shot that got slowed down by the opposition, Angus stood at the post and hit it in getting the first goal of the game.

Joseph scored 2 goals. One of them was very well played by the team as it was a short corner which the goalie had blocked and kicked back to our team. It was then controlled by Johnathan; he passed to Angus who had made an open goal by drawing in the goalie. He chipped it to Joseph who easily put it in the goal making the score 2 : 1 to us. Out of all the 3 goals, in my opinion this one was the best as it required the most teamwork.

The 3rd goal was again by Joseph after receiving the ball from Angus on yet another short corner, Joseph took it in the D and did a beautiful hit right into the bottom corner.

The positions that we played at the start were Joseph centre forward, Artem centre left, Jonathan centre middle, Rhyon centre right, Angus left back and Tom right back and for now Mathew was off the pitch. The positions always varied (except for Tom and Angus) because we had one extra player, so we had to rotate. Overall, even though we lost this match I think we have a lot to learn from this game as it is the only game that was challenging. In the future we should focus on dribbling and how we control our possession in the D.

Result: 4 : 3

Match Report by: Artem

U13 6th Hockey Team vs Bedford

This was a tough game for the 6th VII versus a strong Bedford side and although we were quickly behind and indeed lost the first half 2-6, we rallied after a half time team talk. Plus we also gained Artem so we had 7 outfield players which helped in the second half. We won that half 1-0 and eventually lost 3-6.

Man of the Match: Charlie and Zachary (Goalkeepers)

Goal scorers: Charlie (1) Alex B (2)

First Half Score: 6-2 to Bedford

Second Half Score: 0-1 to St Faith's

Overall score: 6-3 to Bedford

Formation:

