

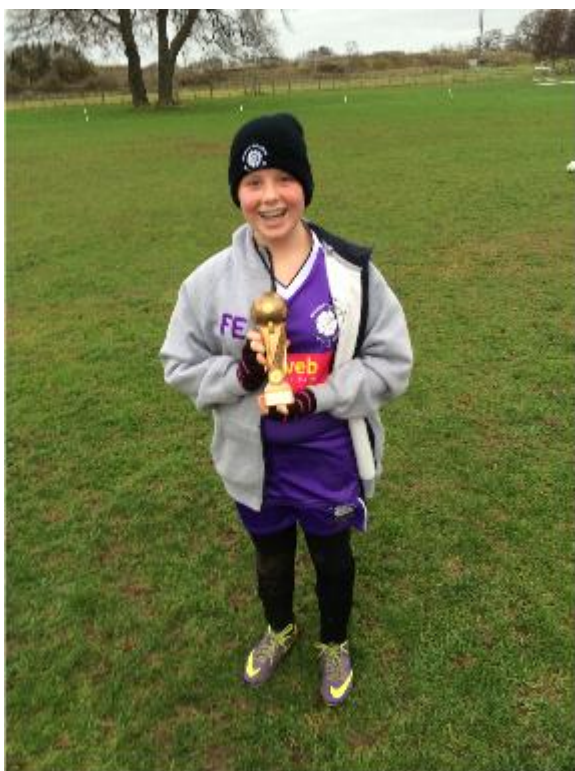
Big Win for U13s as Unbeaten Run Continues

Leaden skies and a howling gale greeted the girls for their very first visit to Kirk Deighton Rangers. Four goals in each half gave the girls a comfortable win which their performance deserved. With the goals spread around the team, and a clean sheet at the other end, this was an all-round performance to be proud of and it extends the unbeaten run to six!

Team: Freya, Maeve, Emily G, Isabella, Annie, Emily S, Rose, Amelia, Charlotte

Captain: Emily G

League Match: Won 8-0 (Isabella, Emily S (2), Annie, Emily G (2), Freya, Rose)



POM League: Asked to play in defence initially, Freya showed composure and skill at the back, with excellent first time control and some superb tackles and clearances. Freya was moved to striker in the second half and she carried on her excellent form, giving the attack a fresh impetus with some strong running and shooting. She thoroughly deserved her goal to finish of a superb performance.

Match Report

The game kicked off in a howling gale as Storm Desmond battered Grange Park, the home of Kirk Deighton Rangers. Captain Emily G had won the toss and elected to play with the wind which meant the early play was all centred on the KDR goal. Early chances fell to Emily S after good work by Annie and then Isabella had her shot turned round the post by the Keeper. An Emily G shot caused a fumble which rebounded to Emily S but the Keeper made an excellent double save. The pressure was increasing on the KDR goal but Amelia and Rose had to be careful at the back as the home team had numerous breaks, which were dealt with expertly and Maeve had little to trouble her goal. The first goal came from an Isabella corner as she swung it in from the left with her right foot, Emily G tried to get close but it flew straight. From the kick off, Emily S stole the ball, beat the KDR defence before firing a low shot into the bottom corner. The girls deserved the two goal lead and it gave them confidence. Annie created a chance for Emily S whose shot was saved and then Rose had a long range shot saved by the Keeper. Emily S then made it 3-0 as she found herself in the area unmarked and she coolly put the ball away. Annie then made it 4-0 as she took a throw-in on the left hand side, collected the rebound off the defender and fired home through a crowd of players. Half-time came with the girls 4-0 and thoroughly worth their lead.

The second half kicked off with the girls now playing against the wind and they had to withstand an early period of pressure as KDR gave it everything to get back into the game. Maeve had to make

two early crucial saves to keep her goal intact, and the new defensive pairing of Charlotte and Amelia worked their socks off, tackling, intercepting and blocking to frustrate the home team. With KDR pressing the BWR goal they were always vulnerable to the counter-attack and good work by Freya setup Emily G whose shot was too hot for the Keeper to handle. Freya then scored her own breakaway goal to make it 6-0, with Emily G then going on a solo run to make it 7-0 with a fine finish when one-on-one with the Keeper. Rose then made it 8-0 with a lovely finish, before Emily S and then Rose had late chances to add to the score.

The girls produced some great football, despite the challenging conditions, and they finally got the big win their play has deserved for the last two months. Well done girls!