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#### U6 Echidnas vs Riverstone Schofields Junior SC

An absolutely outstanding effort as the team faced up to a much bigger opposing side. The team did well in defence and were also strong in attack, even displaying great passing between players throughout the match. Well done team, you were all excellent.

Player of the Match: James Encouragement Award: Ollie

### U6 Dolphins vs Marayong FC

The toughest match to date and a brilliant performance by the entire team!

Great game, great enthusiasm by our little Lions/Dolphins.

Player of the Match: Luca

**Encouragement Award: Ricaldo** 

## U7/3 vs Marayong FC

Great game from our team with every getting involved. Toby and Ayan were solid in defence. Lazar and Ryan created some great opportunities through their work in the midfield and Leo found the back of the net a few times. With only 1 reserve everyone played a role today.

Player of the Match: Leo

Encouragement Award: Ryan

#### U7/7 vs Ponds FC White

Good game had by all. Lots of fleeting brilliance with passing. Lots of attacking and defending done by all.

Player of the Match: Ameliah Encouragement Award: Elonor

## U8/7 vs Rooty Hill FC

A good game was played by all. Tiana was in goals first half and had some amazing saves, as did Mason when he was in goals in the second half. Ivy was persistent and had a couple of runs with the ball towards the goal. Jack had some amazing kicks as did Sarah and Aryana. Emma, Athena and Andrew defended well all throughout the game.

Player of the Match: Eleanore Encouragement Award: Athena

U9/3 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC Red

Not provided

U9/6 vs Doonside Hawks

Not provided

U9/8 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC

Short of players, it was tough game today against very strong opposition. Still lots of committed play from Kings and improved teamwork. On to next the one!

Player of the Match: Daniel Encouragement Award: Loki

#### U10/2 vs Newbury Bulls SC

Tightly contested game, where we started slowly but we were up at half time with goals to Jack and Connor. We added another goal early in the 2nd half by Thomas, but the opposition can back with 2 good goals. Great defensive effort from Will and great teamwork from Kyan.

Player of the Match: William Encouragement Award: Kyan

#### U10/7 vs Polonia Rams FC

Not provided

# U11/2 vs Ponds FC White

Not provided

## U11/5 vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC

A tough game for U11/5 this week, the opposition dominated all corners of the field early on and kept the pressure up the whole game. With no subs available, the team was run off their feet by some swift forwards and were held up by a stalwart defence.

Player of the Match: Jessica Encouragement Award: Zachary

### U12/4 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC

#### Kings Langley SFC 5 - Marsden Park Galaxy FC 2

This week we managed a win over Marsden Park which, to be honest, was a little more nerve racking than I'd care to admit. With myself a little under the weather, it was time for the team to show me what they're capable of with little direction from the sideline.

The start of the game had a lot of back and forth as both teams jostled for early dominance. We broke their lines, they broke ours, but it was always cleaned up. As we got past the 5-6 minute mark, we turned up the pressure and started asking questions of their defence. Our first goal came just around the 9 minute mark with Annabelle giving the ball a good whack to put it past the keeper and nab her first goal the season. Liam also got his first of the season, 15 minutes in with a great left foot across the goal to take us to 2-0. Marsden Park fought back well, securing their first goal of the game shortly before half-time, but not after being denied a few attempts first.

The second half saw a few changes in the line-up, with Xander putting the keeper jersey on. Early on, Annabelle nearly doubled her goal total before forcing Xander to make some very unorthodox saves. Back down the attacking end, Seb managed a great run coming in from the side and trying to sneak it past the keeper. Fortunately for us, the keeper used their feet instead of their hands and unintentionally cleared the ball into the inside of the net, putting us 3-1 up. Marsden Park's next goal came in the form of a lesson in listening to the whistle. A handball against us resulted in an advantage to Marsden Park, however an odd hand signal from the referee and some shouts from the other team made Jaxon pick up the ball, and unfortunately that was the actual foul that was called. Thankfully it was just outside the box, but that didn't stop an amazing strike from their free-kick taker bringing the scores back to within a single goal's difference.

As we pushed into the last 5 minutes, we were pressing hard, and Lincoln would have been awarded a goal were it not for their keeper getting involved again and putting it in for us. Within the closing 2 minutes, Aarin managed to push the score ahead again, giving us a 5-2 win at the end of the game.

A note to the players who hopefully read this, I was very impressed with the way you moved the ball around today, and the talking between each other. It will put us in a very comfortable position as we start to come up against the teams at the top of the table.

Player of the Match: Jaxon L Encouragement Award: Xander

U12/6 vs Parklea SFC Red

Kings Langley SFC - Parklea SFC Red

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

## U13/3 vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC

#### Kings Langley SFC - Ropes Crossing Strikers FC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

#### U15/4 vs Workers FC

#### Kings Langley SFC 1 - Workers FC 1

Not provided

## O35/4 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC

#### Kings Langley SFC 0 - Marsden Park Galaxy FC 1

Our third game in 8 days, and it showed. Numbers were low again with injuries and other unavailability, and we were again forced to play people out of position to try and minimise the impact. The fatigue came through in a lack of urgency and concentration, and frustration was a lot closer the surface than it has been for a very long time within the team. Marsden Park were more patient and played smarter than we did, and we were outplayed by a team that had yet to earn a point this season. Credit where it's due, they were the better team on the night.

At almost halfway through the season and only 10 points from 8 games, we find ourselves in the wrong half of the table. We will need to lift our game if we hope to feature in the top four when it counts.