

## International College U16 3 Sherborne Boys U16 2

A close game between the two sides was played out on a fresh spring afternoon. The IC eventually winning a match that could have swung either way as the wind intervened.

The IC had not played a match this side half the half term break and had been limited in their training sessions before facing a Sherborne side that had improved greatly since the last meeting.

The match kicked off at quite a high tempo with the IC dominating the early possession and getting in a few good attacks. It wasn't long before an excellent ball was played out to Sergey on the right wing. He took the ball in his stride before playing the ball back into the path of Sunnat who was making a strong run through the centre. The ball was inch perfect and Sunnat connected with it sweetly to send the ball passed the opposition keeper and balloon the back of the net. The IC were already leading.

After some more good possession and the repelling of one or two Sherborne attacks the IC had a series of corners and one of the balls that was put into the box was struck goalwards by Sunnat once again. The shot was scuffed but looped over the goalkeeper and into the back of the net to double the IC's lead as they went into the break.

In the second half changes were made shortly after the restart to enable all of the squad to get some match time. The opposition struck back first after the break however as they beat Soe Htet after a crossed ball beat the IC defenders and a Sherborne attacker reacted first. After getting one goal back the opposition team had a renewed confidence, this was buoyed even more by the IC failing to capitalise on the chances that they made.

Eventually the IC managed to score a third, captain Sunnat scoring his 12<sup>th</sup> goal of the season and completing his hat-trick for the afternoon. Sherborne were not disheartened by this though, managing to ensure that there was a tight finish by scoring with five minutes remaining. Some determined defending from the IC however, saw out the game and the IC team registered their eighth victory of the season. Well done boys!