

Junior Football Match
ICSS V Park School
Tuesday 29th January 2008

It was a blustery day when the Park School came to the Sherborne playing fields to take on the junior team of the International College. The year 8 and 9 members of Grosvenor House had been training hard for the encounter and were ready to play a good game of football.

The game started on time with all the players keen to get warmer in the chilly wind. ICSS quickly pressed forward and won a corner which Marko took with Beckham - like precision. The ball curled in towards the steadily climbing Andrei, who with a deft flick directed the ball into the net to score ICSS's first goal. The team were clearly delighted and enjoyed their celebration.

The Park school then scored an own goal from another banana corner by Marco. The Grosvenor boys were up by two goals and this prompted a serious amount of re-organisation by the opposition. Sherborne kept their shape and continued to dominate.

Nifty Nikita then dribbled through the defence to score a goal and quickly followed it by another simple tap in to make it four up and counting. The Grosvenor boys were building their confidence. Their strides became longer and their smiles wryer as they tried not to seem too confident.

A wonder goal followed. Ronaldo would have been proud of it. Marco was on the ball, outside the penalty box. He looked up. Aimed. Fired. Goaaaaaaaaa! Sublime. Enough said.

In the second half the Park School gave better opposition and started to defend bravely. They also started to make more attacking runs and really put our defence under pressure. They eventually scored after missing a penalty. There were some crazy goal line scrambles resulting in one or two goals at both ends with both goalkeepers doing very well not to concede more.

The match finished at 6-2 to the Grosvenor boys. It was a great game, thanks in part to excellent refereeing by Mr Barlow and the sporting nature of the players all of whom, at the end, cheered and shook hands with each other in a display of good sportsmanship.