



Achieve, Believe and Create Together

Jeremiah 29:11 'For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'



Friday 27th March 2026

Y5/6 Football Match - Frank Burley Trophy Semi-Final

After progressing through the rounds with wins against Blackpool Primary School and Ipplepen Primary School, set up a semi-final draw against Gatehouse Primary Academy.

The first half saw both teams try to assert themselves on the game and try to take control, however neither could make a break-through. Despite our best efforts we were only able to create a small number of chances, with our front three of Charlie (MOTM), James and Jackson all coming close to scoring. Fantastic teamwork from our defence - Max, Tommy and Jack meant we were able to stay solid at the back and protect our goal. Therefore, the game stayed at 0-0 as we headed into the half time break.

The second half saw Gatehouse start more brightly than us and were able to find pockets of space in between our units and behind our defensive, meaning our goalkeeper (Freddie) had to sweep up play and come to the rescue to ensure we kept a clean sheet. Our hard work from our A league semi-final match the day before was now starting to take its toll with us becoming tired and finding it hard to track back.

Our determination to not concede and competitiveness to make it to the final allowed us to see out the second half and take it to penalties. Best of three penalties to determine who would progress to the final of the Frank Burley Trophy.

Tommy stepped up to take our first penalty, who powerfully shot the ball down the centre of the goal to make it 1-0. Gatehouse scored their first penalty with Freddie (our GK) guessing the right way and almost getting a hand to it (1-1). Jack (our Captain) bravely took our second penalty and sneakily snuck his shot through the legs of the Gatehouse GK to make it 2-1. Gatehouse agonisingly missed their second penalty by sending our GK the wrong way but missed the target by hitting the left-hand post to keep it at 2-1. Jackson (our final penalty taker) now had the opportunity to win the match; he calmly stepped up and confidently stroked the ball into the right-hand corner to send us through to the final.

A gusty, hard-fought performance rewarded us with a place in the final to attempt to go back-to-back and retain the Frank Burley Trophy, something we have never been able to do.

The players proudly displayed great teamwork and effort and were a credit to our school.



A League Squad - (back row left): Tommy, James, Charlie, Jackson
(front row left): Jack, Freddie, Max



Man of the Match - Charlie