

MORE CHARMOUTH TEAM SUCCESS

Report by Fred Morel – year 6

On Thursday 5th and Thursday 12th October Charmouth A and Charmouth B entered **Lyme Regis Inter-School Football Tournament** organised by Mr Parsons. There were 4 teams in each pool so each team was guaranteed 3 games at least. If you came first or second in the pool you would play first and second in the other pool (third and fourth played each other too) in the semi-final.

Charmouth A vs Mrs Ethelston's B

Stanley scored an early goal to put Charmouth A in front then the following goals came from George, Luca, Mattie twice and Theo. A dominative performance secured a convincing victory. FT: Charmouth A 5-0 Mrs Ethelston's B

Charmouth B vs Marshwood

Charmouth B's first game was against Marshwood; a team last year we beat 20-0 so we were quite confident. The game kicked off and five minutes in, they gave away a penalty. We were all quite nervous as Joe stepped up to take it, but a solid penalty put us ahead. Two minutes later Alex doubled our lead to make it 2-0.

Charmouth A vs Mrs Ethelston's A

Mattie got his first hat-trick scoring 3. Theo got on the score sheet scoring his second goal of the tournament. Another great performance from the team getting another 3 points. FT: Charmouth A 6-0 Mrs Ethelston's A

Charmouth B vs St Michael's A

Charmouth B's luck fell a bit this game with a 0-0 draw. It was a bit undeserved. Charmouth B dominated but unfortunately the win that seemed deserved did not come - they hoped that they would have better luck next time.

The tables at the end of the week saw Charmouth A top of their table with Charmouth B second in theirs, a couple of points behind Thorncombe, St Marys. So, it was anyone's game in Charmouth B's group, as their next game was against Thorncombe.

St Mary's, Thorncombe vs Charmouth B

The game kicked off and Thorncombe were off to a strong start passing the ball into our area and keeper Fred Morel was forced to make a save for the first time this tournament. Thorncombe continued to pass the ball around when a shot from their striker caught Fred off guard and even with a finger tip touch, the ball carried on into the net. Charmouth upped their game and soon it was back to 1-1. An excellent finish from Spike kept Charmouth back in the game. With about two minutes to go, Thorncombe were getting desperate. When one of their strikers had a strong shot. It hit Fred's hands, went through his legs and one of their forwards was at the post and tapped it in. Charmouth didn't give up though and with the last kick of the game, there was a goal line clearance and Thorncombe cleared it out. As the referee blew his whistle, Charmouth B were distraught - so close to winning and perhaps worst of all they would have to face Charmouth A. FT: Charmouth B 1-2 St Mary's, Thorncombe.

Charmouth A vs St Michael's B

A great performance from Charmouth A, they produced a very good 7-0 victory and they went into the semi-finals playing Charmouth B. There were goals for Theo, Mattie and George.

Charmouth A vs Charmouth B

The first ever Charmouth derby kicked off with an early goal from Theo putting Charmouth A in front. As the game ticked by, there was more dominative performance by Charmouth A and not many chances from Charmouth B. However, the game ended in a very tight 1-0 to Charmouth A.

Charmouth B vs St Michael's A

This was a battle for 4th and 3rd place. Charmouth started strongly with an early goal from Lemoni and more dominative football secured a podium place for Charmouth B.

THE FINAL

The final was between Charmouth A and St Mary's, Thorncombe and as the game kicked off, Theo put Charmouth ahead. Then Stanley scored to make it 2-0. Theo scored his second of the game to make it 3-0. Almost at the last kick of the game, Thorncombe lobbed the keeper Adam Rowe to make it 3-1. As the referee blew his whistle, Charmouth A and B went wild all hugging and celebrating with each other. It was amazing and we brought even more silver wear home but not for the last time this year... hopefully!

