



# St Edmund's Prep Tournament Reports 2023-2024



Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, U11 ISFA Regional Football Tournament @ Chigwell School

U11A Football- Won 3 Drew 0 Lost 2

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, our U11A football team travelled to Chigwell to participate in the ISFA Regional tournament. In the group stage, we started off very well by beating a strong team from **Chigwell**, 2-1. Our next game was decided by a single goal as we won 1-0 against **St Aubyn's**. The next game finished in a 0-2 loss to the eventual winners, **Westbrook Hay** (*although we'd get our own back with a victory against them later in the season...*) We won our last group game 1-0 versus **Bishops Stortford College** to progress through to the quarter finals. This was to be our final game as we lost 0-2 to a very strong team from **Brentwood**. The standard of competition was very good this year, but our U11A team performed very well and recorded some excellent results along the way.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, U9 Tennis Festival @ Legends Tennis

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, a tennis team comprising of the whole Form 4 group of children and some extra players from Form 3 travelled to Haileybury to play in a tennis festival organised by Legends Tennis. We were joined by Heath Mount and in what turned out to be a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon of sport. In the end, when the points were all added up, St Edmund's finished as the winners!

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October, St Aubyn's Netball Tournament @ St Aubyn's

U11A Netball- Won 6 Drew 1 Lost 1 (2<sup>nd</sup> / 10)

U11B Netball- Won 1 Drew 1 Lost 4 (9<sup>th</sup> / 10)

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October, St Edmund's Prep took an U11A and U11B netball team to St Aubyn's so that they could participate in their U11 netball tournament. In the first stage of the tournament, our U11A netball team won all of their groups games. In our first match we won 4-2 against **Chigwell**. We followed this with an 8-2 win versus **St Aubyn's 'B'** and by winning 5-3 against **Avon House**. In the final group stage match we won 4-3 versus **Stormont**. The St Edmund's Prep U11B team were playing against a mixture of A and B teams from other schools in their group. Their matches ended with two losses, 2-8 versus **St Aubyn's** and 1-3 v **Forest**, followed by one draw in a 0-0 tie against **Chigwell 'B'**.

In the second round, the St Edmund's Prep U11B team won one more game but lost their other two. This meant that they finished in 9<sup>th</sup> place overall. The St Edmund's Prep U11A team won 8-3 in a second encounter with **Stormont** and 13-4 against **Forest**. Their other matches ended in a 3-3 draw against **Woodford Green Prep** and a narrow 4-5 loss to **St Aubyn's**. These results meant that St Edmund's Prep U11A finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall. Also, well done to **Florence F** and **Eme U** who were voted by the officials as 'Defender of The Tournament' and 'All-Rounder Of The Tournament' respectively.

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October, Presdales Football Festival @ Presdales

U11A Girls Football- Won 5 Drew 0 Lost 1

The U11A girls football team travelled to Presdales to participate in a girls football tournament. They played six matches, winning all five of their games in the first round to qualify for the final. However, they lost this match in a nail-biting encounter to finish as runners-up. They had a lot of fun and it was a great way to begin our football season with lots of mini matches in a tournament format.

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October, St Aubyn's Football Tournament @ St Aubyn's

U10A Football- Won 3 Drew 1 Lost 1

Our U10A team travelled to St Aubyn's for their annual U10 football tournament. After a goalless draw against **Loyola**, we managed to win our next three games- 1-0 versus **Bancrofts**, 2-0 against **St Aubyn's 'C'** team and 3-0 versus **Woodford Green Prep**. These results were enough for us to qualify for the semi final stage in a tie against the hosts, **St Aubyn's**. Unfortunately, one goal was to decide this game and we ended up losing 0-1.

### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October, Presdales Football Festival @ Presdales

U9A Girls Football- Won 2 Drew 0 Lost 4 (7<sup>th</sup> / 12)

U9B Girls Football- Won 1 Drew 0 Lost 5 (10<sup>th</sup> / 12)

The U9A and B girls football teams travelled to Presdales to participate in a girls football festival, one day after the girls from the U11A team had taken part in the same event. They played lots of matches, scored a few goals and learnt more about the game. Before the tournament started, the girls had the opportunity to take part in some football development sessions led by the students at Presdales School. This added to the enjoyment of the morning and was a great way to lead into the matches that were to follow. For the majority of players it was their first experience of playing football matches against teams from other schools. The girls had fun playing lots of mini matches in a festival format.

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October, U11 Prep Partnership Cup @ St Edmund's Prep

U11A Football- Won 2 Drew 1 Lost 1 (1<sup>st</sup> Place / 4)

St Edmund's Prep hosted the first East Herts Prep School's Partnership Football Cup on Friday 13th October. For the first round, all teams played each other once in a round robin. In our first game, we won 3-0 against **St Joseph's In The Park**. The second match was against **Duncombe**, we took an early lead but lost 1-2 with the opposition scoring two late goals. Finally, a 0-0 draw was played out against **Keble** but this result was just enough to claim a place in the final. Our U11A football team triumphed 2-1 in the final against **St Joseph's In The Park** to win the trophy.

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October, U11 Prep Partnership Cup @ Stormont

U11A Netball- Won 3 Drew 1 Lost 0 (1<sup>st</sup> Place / 4)

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October, our U11A netball team travelled to Stormont to participate in the first East Herts Prep School's Partnership Netball Cup. In the first game we played against **St Joseph's In the Park** and won 17-4, our second game was against **Duncombe** in a match that ended in a 7-5 victory and the last group game ended in a 3-3 draw versus **Stormont**. The top two teams in the first round were **St Edmund's Prep** and **Stormont** who both went on to play a final. St Edmund's Prep won this game 7-4 to claim their first trophy of the season.

## Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, NE Herts District Cup @ King James Academy

U11A Football- Won 4 Drew 0 Lost 0 (1<sup>st</sup> Place / 5)

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, St Edmunds Prep travelled to King James Academy in Royston, to participate in the annual North East Herts District qualifier. Our first match was against **Ralph Sadleir**. Our team quickly settled into their stride and ended up winning the game 4–2. The second match was against the hosts, **King James Academy**. Over the years we have had many tough games against this school who are always notoriously strong. On this occasion, our boys ended up on the winning side, thanks to a thunderous long-range strike by one of our defenders. This 1-0 win was reward for the way that our team controlled the match and played throughout the game with such confidence and skill. Our third game was against **St Mary's** and we won this game 3–0 to set up a final match against **Edwinstree**. Our final game was against the winners from last year and after falling behind, and losing by one goal going into the final stages of the match, our team showed great strength and resilience to come back and win the match 3-2. We were crowned as North East Herts District football champions. This means that St Edmund's Prep will go forward to represent our district at two events later on in the school year, qualifying for the county round of the **ESFA National Cup** and also the **Wix County Quarter-Finals**.