## MATCH REPORT



HBE UNDER 8s vs ST IVES ROUND 7 – 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025 VENUE: Rofe Park, Hornsby

After a horrendous week of rain is was great to see the sun out again at our home ground on the weekend. The track was still a bit soggy, but it didn't slow down our U8's, who put on a dominating display of footy to trounce Pennant Hills 53-7!

Ted kicked off the scoring for the mighty Eagles with a goal in the first minute of the game. He continued to play diligently throughout the whole match. Jordi had a great game with a couple of goals to his name and showed some real grit and determination in the contest, winning the ball for his team on many occasions.

Lev continued to show excellent promise for his footballing career, getting involved whenever the ball came near and sticking to his opposing players like glue. Likewise Inba continues to improve his footy skills each week, and it was great to see him get so many quality handballs away to his teammates. Keep up the good work Lev and Inba!

Our courageous captain Hudson lead by example the whole game, dominating the ruck and urging on his teammates. He also showed great speed with the ball in hand. And Remy also continues to show just how fearless he is when he's near the ball, diving in head first on many occasions and coming out successfully with possession after possession.

It was great to see Julian bounce back to being fully fit after his illness. Never one to shy away from the contest, and always ready with his hands in the air, either on the mark or ready to take a mark. Jack had an awesome 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, kicking 4 goals in quick succession and taking the game away from Pennant Hills.

It was really impressive to see Nick and Asher stringing hand passes and kicks together whilst playing in the same third. They were both leading to space when the other had the ball and it's this heads up footy that contributed greatly to our success. Asher was unlucky to miss out on scoring a goal, but the courage he showed around the footy was evident and was well deserved to win the Callum Mills Award this week.

Lastly it was a stand out effort by Saathvik to win the Player of the Match this week. He played out of his skin in the mids, with some excellent hand passing and kicking. And in the forwards and the backs he was always covering ground, making it difficult for the opposition to make in roads. Really great stuff from Saathvik!

Huge thanks to Ronin for running the interchange, great to have you support each week.

Goals: Ted (1), Jack (4), Jordi (2)

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