

KL TOURNAMENT MARCH 2007

Our COE Under 8's, 10's and 12's went to KL to take part in an international tournament. Teams from Malaysia, China and Singapore were there. The behavior and sportsmanship of all the children were excellent. We would like to thank all parents for their support and assisting with the kids over the weekend.

The spirit of the whole traveling party - parents, kids and coaches - was evident in the fact that whenever a Little League team was playing, the others were there to give excellent support.

Under 8's

Little League Singapore U8's had a good tournament playing a total of 8 games. For the 1st day we played 4 games, winning 2 & losing 2, finishing 3rd in our group and qualifying for The Cup on the 2nd day.

The boys did really well to qualify for The Cup where all the best teams formed 1 group. In The Cup our first game was against Little League Malaysia which we drew 0-0. The boys defended really well and some good goalkeeping kept the score line at 0-0. The next game was against the French Football Academy which also ended in a tie - a good start to the cup. The 3rd game was against another Little League Malaysia team which a win would have gotten them a medal but unfortunately they just couldn't put the ball in the net! The last game was against a Malaysian local side. The game started well for us having more possession of the ball and more chances at goal but the opponent's goalkeeper was outstanding, making some good saves towards the end of the game. The Malaysia side found the winner and finished 3rd.

Although they finished 4th the boys should be really proud of themselves having given 100% in every game and never giving up. I would like to thank all the parents at the tournament for their support and encouragement to the kids.

Coach Douglas

Under 10's

As the coach of the Under 10's, I am very proud and also pleased with the performance of all the boys and especially the effort each player had given. We played 5 matches on Saturday for 1 loss, 1 draw and 3 wins. This was an excellent effort considering all the boys were nervous and most had not played in an overseas international tournament before. We made the Cup Finals on Sunday.

On Sunday we played 3 matches and had 2 defeats and 1 win, eventually running 4th. For me, the overall performance and effort of the boys was outstanding and I am very proud to have been their coach for this tournament in KL.

The team spirit was excellent as was their sportsmanship!

Coach Dawood

Under 12's

On Saturday they played 5 matches for 1 loss and 4 draws. The boys played well although they were a little nervous. They managed to create many chances, unfortunately without any scoring, but they defended really strongly, which was exciting to see.

Due to so many draws they did not make the Cup Finals for Sunday and instead were in the Plate Finals, which they won the group and were champions !

In the Plate Finals they won 1, drew 2 and won the last match on a penalty shootout. In these 3 matches, the boys really played excellent football. The passing and movement was brilliant - just how they practiced each week !

Overall it was a very rewarding 2 days and all the members of the squad had equal match time and played in many different positions which will benefit them in the future. The boys all agreed to equal rotating and it was very pleasing to see each of them enjoying and giving 100% in each match.

Coach Darren