

## Whats been going on at OFS?

Wow! What a year so far down at the Overseas Family School on a Saturday morning and Thursday afternoon. Children have been flocking down the school field to get stuck in to their soccer with the Little League's coaches, including Darren, Matt, Dawood, John and Andy. The green field has become awash with yellow with white dots as all of the Little Leaguers have been decked out in their new soccer uniforms and kicking around new soccer ball, all sponsored by DHL.

### ***Saturday OFS***

Children in years 1 and 2 have been working hard with Coach Matt and co. Since the Christmas break the boys and girls have been working in two set groups to ensure efficient and effective learning at all levels whether they are a beginner or have been playing soccer for some time.

The session has taken the format of two week topics, including dribbling, passing, shooting, heading and weeks where the children get to compete in mini tournaments within the group where they can practice and show off the techniques and skills they have learnt.

*"All of the players have come on leaps and bounds in the past year. There have been some very good players developing. They all work hard to improve their soccer and most importantly, never stop having fun."* says Coach Matt.

Little League would like to give special praise to the following players, who are to be invited to our Centre of Excellence in the new school year:

Nicolai Mohn, Alexander Skelton, Wei Jie Wang, Nicolas Soikkeli, Naoya Ishihara, Harald Stensaker, Mark Emilson, Nicolai Madson and Christian Nash.

***To all of the players in Years 1 and 2.....Well done and keep up the excellent work.***

### ***Saturday OFS Years 3, 4 and 5***

It has been a very enjoyable term not just for the kids but Coach Darren and Coach Dawood as well. They have learnt all aspects of football from basic dribbling ,tackling, heading, shooting, passing and what was very pleasing was seeing them use what they have learnt in the matches we played at the end of each session.

*" It is a pleasure to coach these talented boys "* Coach Darren

*" The boys have improved tremendously over the past 3 months "* Coach Dawood

### **Quotes From The Boys!**

*“ I like playing soccer on Saturday mornings and the coaches are fun” Neil*

*“ We get to play lots of matches and have heaps of fun” Oliver*

*“ We get to learn many things and are getting better at football. Coach Darren and Coach Dawood are great” Harry*

*“ I like learning all different skills” Thomas*

*“ Its very good practice and we have lots of fun” Hagai*

*“ Its fun. I am a much better player now than when I was in England” Daniel*

*“ Coach Darren and Coach Dawood teach me a lot. Its great fun” Alex*

*“ I like learning different skills. The coaches are good” Roy*

### ***Thursday OFS***

Every Thursday the Little League’s coaches wait for the moment the OFS little munchkins come scurrying down the steps from the kindergarten and run full pelt towards them. No matter what group they are put into, blue, yellow, white or orange, the little guys know they are going to have some soccer fun. The only thing that the coaches have trouble dealing with is their enthusiasm!!

No matter which coach, or what drill, all of the children will learn the same technique each week be it dribbling, passing, shooting etc. Development has been great.

Their understanding of the game is also improving at a great pace. Many of them now know about what to do when the ball goes out for a throw, corner, goalkick etc. No longer do you see the little guys kicking the ball around anywhere. They now control the ball and attempt to execute the techniques they have learnt in the sessions.

***Well done all you little munchkins!!!!***