English Schools Football Association Cup 3rd Round

Thomas Clarkson Academy **4** v **3** Voyager Academy 15th October 2012

The U16 girls' football team travelled to Peterborough in their 3rd round tie against Voyager Academy.

Clarkson made a promising start with strong attacks by E.Cooper & Bennington. A couple of chances to score presented themselves to the Clarkson girls, yet we were unable to convert. The defence of Wakeham (captain), R.Cooper, Drew and J.Rozentale proved strong, and with a couple of saves from Reynolds, Clarkson stopped Voyager from scoring. A cracking goal by Bennington opened the scoring and a goal from Ward allowed Clarkson to head in at the break with a clear, and well deserved lead.

During the second half the opposition were given a free kick, just outside the area. Voyager capitalised on this by scoring an exceptional goal into the top left-hand corner. Since Voyager had the momentum, the Clarkson's defences were tested yet again, Voyager scored, to draw level.

Hard-working player of the match E.Cooper was relentless in her position; making a strong run up the left wing and crossing the ball into the box for Chamberlain to score. Unfortunately some defensive errors allowed Voyager to equal the scoring again shortly after.

The Clarkson girls knew they deserved a win from the game; they stepped up to the mark and battled to the end. Some silky skills on the edge of the box from Chamberlain resulted in her second goal of the match.

TCA U16 girls' will now face Coutesthorpe Community College (South Leistershire) in the 4th round at home. Make sure you come out to the field to support the girls.

Final score 4-3 win for TCA.

Squad Members
Courtney Wakeham (captain)
Becca Cooper (vice captain)
Erika Anskaityte
Jade Chamberlain
Jess Cooper
Jolanta Rozentale
Modesta Carn
Justyna Swiderek
Jess Drew
Hannah Reynolds
Emily Cooper
Casey Ward
Ruta Rozentale
Ellie Bennington