### Final placings were:

U10 Girls Gold pool

1st - Magpies

2nd – Norwich City A 3rd – Dereham

4th – Dragons A

5th - Watton

U10 Girls Silver pool

1st – Norwich City B

2nd - Watton

3rd - Magpies B

4th – Pelicans

5th - Dragons B

6th - Dragons C

U12 Girls Gold pool

1st - Magpies A

2nd - Pelicans

3rd - Norwich City A

4th – Dragons A

5th - Magpies B

U12 Girls Silver pool

1st - Norwich City B

2nd - Dereham

3rd - Norwich City C

4th - Dragons B

### **U12 Girls B Team**

Manager: Lee Beadman

Mia Somers (goalkeeper)

**Honey Wells** 

**Hattie Stuart** 

Hannah Marjoram

Sofia Kazimierczak

Lily Brown

Bea Harrison

Piper Hempsall

Zarina Duffield

### Match 1: Dragons v Dereham - Final Score 1 - 1

Dragons took an early lead following good pressure from Lily and Bea, with Lily scoring the goal. Sofia defended strongly, but with the game entering its final stages Dereham equalised. The game finished 1-1, which was about right as the teams were fairly evenly matched.

Match 2: Dragons v Norwich City C - Final Score 0 - 1

5th - Magpies C

U10 Boys Gold pool

1st - Dragons A

2nd - Magpies A

3rd - Norwich City A

4th – Dereham

U10 Boys Silver pool

1st - Dragons B

2nd - Magpies B

3rd – Norwich City B

4th - Dragons C

5th - Watton

U12 Boys Gold pool

1st - Dragons A

2nd – Magpies A

3rd – Dragons B

4th – Norwich City A

U12 Boys Silver pool

1st - Dereham

2nd – Magpies B

3rd – Norwich City B

4th - Dragons C

City C scored the only goal of the match quite early on, but the girls did not let their heads drop and battled valiantly for an equaliser. Indeed, Dragons had all of the pressure in the later stages of the match, with Sofia pushing forward from defence. However, the City goalkeeper made a number of good saves and the game finished as a 1-0 loss for Dragons.

## Match 3: Dragons v Norwich City B - Final Score 0 - 2

City B had a strong-looking team out and so it proved as they ran out 2-0 winners. Dragons battled hard, but did not really look like scoring.

#### Match 4: Dragons v Harleston Magpies C - Final Score 0 - 0

The last match was quite an even game, but neither side could find a winner. Piper tackled with real determination and Mia, in goal, made a number of good saves and made sure she kicked the ball away towards the sidelines (a really good effort as she had never played as goalkeeper before and had only had one training session earlier this week!).

### Overall

Although Dragons B finished in 4th place, all of the girls should be proud of their efforts. They ran hard in all of the games and never gave up.

### **U10 Girls A Team**

Manager: Simon Mitchell

Nola Mitchell (Gk)
Ellie Wagstaff
Freya Staham
Nellie Ong
Livi Tighe
Evie Marlee (Captian)
Kaitlin Wolmarans
Freya Dolding (Kit Washer)
Ella Peart



## Dragons v Norwich 0 – 2

Norwich were already well warmed up, having already played a match. Dragons defended as a team, Nola in goal played really well fending off some hard hitting attempts at goal. Unfortunately Norwich managed to score 2 goals in quick succession but a better result than the week before for Dragons.

### Dragons v Watton 1 – 0

Dragons had more possession of the ball and passed really well, working together as a team. They were rewarded with a goal which boosted their confidence for the next match.

### Dragons v Dereham 0-0

The girls played their positions extremely well and had a couple of shots at the goal but were unlucky. Towards the end of the match, Dereham gained more possession. The final result 0-0.

## Dragons v Magpies 0 – 5

The team were not looking forward to this match. Dragons put in a really determined performance, again showing strength in their team work.

# U10 girls B

Manager: Mel Widdows

Estelle Widdows (Capt)
Rosemary Sheppard
Jemima Hill(Kit Washer)
Keira Hardiman
Amalie Finch
Mia Norris
Isobel Waller
Jess Sargent
Louisa Dibdin

Norwich City B - Lost 3-0

City came out hard from the start and despite our efforts to clear the ball wide they continued a strong attack and claimed 3 goals.

### Watton B - Lost 3-0

This game was end to end with a number of shots on goal from the Dragons team but unfortunately we could not get them over the line.

# Magpies B - Lost 2-0

Dragons played well with some good passing moves, and strong attacking play down the wing.

# Pelicans - Draw 0-0

An even game with some excellent passing up the wing and a number of chances to score. The whole team defended well and despite Pelicans being awarded 2 short corners we kept a clean sheet.

# Dragons C - Won 2-1

Dragons B came from behind to claim their first victory, in an exciting end to end game. Rosemary and Jemima each took a goal and Estelle made a great save off the line.

The team performance continued to improve over the course of the morning, as the scores reflect and all players put in great efforts and enjoyed themselves despite rain, hail and chilly conditions.



### U10 girls C

Manager: Ali Windsor-Waite

Rose Brown

Crista-Lilli Creus
Caitlyn Hernon (Captain)
Olivia Kazimierczak
Alice Marjoram
Libby Ong
Freya Osbourne
Harriet Pymm
Claudia Pymm

#### Against Magpies B

Dragons C coped admirably with some unexpected challenges during the tournament, starting with an earlier than anticipated first match against Magpies B. They defended well to hold a strong team to a 0-0 draw, with Harriet and Freya doing an exceptional job in goal.

# Against City B

In their second game Dragons saw some good work from Alice and Harriet in defence, with an unlucky late goal just robbing them of another draw in the final two minutes.

### **Against Pelicans**

A fast paced third game against a confident Pelican team, saw some good attacking play from Caitlyn and Rose in midfield, with some excellent saves from Libby in goal keeping the scoreline to 1-0.

### Against Dragons B

An excellent goal from Claudia in the next match against Dragons B and some good team play, especially from Olivia in midfield and Crista-Lily in defence, made it a close match, but Dragons C were just pipped to 2-1 by their team mates.

### Against Watton B

Nonetheless Dragons C managed to keep their spirits and themselves up during a full-on hailstorm in their final match against Watton B. They played well as a team and despite losing 3-0 should be proud of how well they played

Many thanks to Ali Windsor-Waite for her support and encouragement as Team manager.



### U10 boys C

<u>Dragons B v Dragons C</u> Manager - Sean Holt

Barney – GK
Adam Robson
Tom Robson
Harry Skoulding
Connor K
Patrick O' Rourke
Duncan Stewart - Captain
Sam Davey
Angus WW

Dragons C had the first push back. After an early, unsuccessful strike at goal from the opposition, Dragons C came back with some good stick work and defending from Duncan and Harry. A short corner by Dragons B was well deflected by Harry, but despite a committed defence, the ball made its way towards the goal mouth. Barney made a great save, clearing the ball wide. The opposition took another short corner which was keenly defended by Tom. After a foul, Dragons C took control, with Sam taking the ball confidently up the right wing. There was great passing around, with Patrick and Duncan showing focussed stick work. Despite a valiant attempt to keep control of the ball, the opposition took it into the 'D' and had another shot at goal. Although Barney made a great attempt to save it, the ball made its way in. Undaunted, Dragons C came back with some great teamwork. Sam showed super dribbling skills, wrong-footing the opposition defence, but sadly the ball was knocked out of bounds. Adam and Tom quickly took control, but the ball soon found its way back into the 'D' where Barney made yet another great save. A short corner was cleared by Duncan, but action was soon back in the 'D'. A drive at goal was confidently intercepted by Harry and pushed out to the left. With committed play by Tom, Angus and Sam the ball was pushed forward down the left field. The opposition took the ball back to the centre where Connor and Harry defended well. Retaking the ball, the opposition

pushed forward, and despite some great defensive play by Connor, the ball found its way into the 'D'. After a tussle in the centre of the 'D', Adam cleared the ball. Dragons B took another short corner, stopped by Adam. Connor again defended well, and Tom tried to push forward. The ball was back in the 'D', but committed defence put pressure on the opposition attack, and a shot at goal was confidently cleared by Barney with a long kick out to the right of the field. Great attacking play towards the end of the match from Adam, Connor and Sam failed to produce the goal they deserved, and the game ended 1-0 to Dragons B.

#### Watton B v Dragons C

Dragons C had the first push back, taking control with some lovely passing between Harry, Tom and Sam, who immediately pushed forward into the 'D'. Dragons C stayed strong in attack for the start of the match, wrong footing the Watton defence. Sam worked his way through 5 defenders in a valiant push for the goal that sadly ended out of bounds. A Watton attack on goal was defended well by Angus and Connor, moving it back to the centre, with Tom cutting through the Watton defence. There was great passing between Sam, Adam and Harry, taking the ball into the 'D'. After good attacking play, the ball was taken back into the centre and then Watton took it out of bounds. Adam took the ball back into play hitting it out to Angus who passed well to Harry, but the Watton defence foiled the Dragons C push toward goal. After a brief halt for injury, Connor put the ball back into play, passing well to Angus. The opposition intercepted, and Adam's defence resulted in the ball coming off his body and a short corner to Watton. Dragons C defended well, retaking possession with Connor and Harry pushing the ball back up the field. Great play by Angus forced a short corner which was taken by Sam. A good pass to Harry took the ball into the 'D' where a determined shot at goal from Sam was disallowed. Another short corner was played to Patrick whose great passing led to another attack on goal by Tom. Dragons C continued to dominate the game with great stick work from Duncan, Tom and Patrick. Two attempts at goal from Watton were cleared by Barney with confident, assertive footwork. There was some excellent defensive play by Connor and Duncan, and Sam and Tom went on the attack. Watton responded, but Duncan cleared the ball out of bounds. After Watton restarted and took control, Angus intercepted brilliantly, and there was some great passing around, getting the ball into the 'D'. Dragons C were attacking well and looking for chances. They then succumbed to a concerted effort by Watton, and Barney made an excellent save, clearing it decisively to Connor. Angus and Sam then pushed forward confidently into the 'D' where Sam took a great shot at goal and scored. Continuing to dominate with strong attacking play, Dragons C finished the match with a 1-0 victory.

### City B v Dragons C

City B had the first push back and took control of the ball until it went out of bounds. Connor took the ball for the Dragons and played across the field. Duncan and Angus pushed forward, but the opposition defence took the ball back to centre. Tom defended well and Patrick took the ball into the 'D' for a shot at goal. The attack was sustained by Tom with another shot at goal. A period of sustained attack by the opposition promoted some great defence by Tom, Sam and Connor. Dragons C attempts to take possession of the ball were thwarted by a strong City B defence, but Sam and Duncan tried to push the ball forwards with good support from Patrick and Tom. After toing and froing of control, Tom managed to get the ball into the 'D' which resulted in him taking a short corner. After a great pass to Connor, the opposition managed to retake the ball and despite some committed goalkeeping by Barney, they scored. In the second half of the game, Adam, Duncan and Connor pushed the ball forward for a shot at goal. The opposition then came back with some strong attacking play,

defended well with some good stick work by Harry. During one tussle, Angus was injured and came off to be replaced by Tom. Undeterred by pressure from the opposition defence, Tom and Duncan drove the ball into the 'D' and there was a sustained attack on the goal, but they were unfortunately not able to get that much needed goal. Towards of the end of the game, Connor, Duncan and Tom pushed through the City B defence and Dragons C once again looked as if they might pull back, but the game ended with a 1-0 win to Norwich City B.

#### Dragons C v Harleston B

Duncan took the first push back for Dragons C with a good pass to Connor. After much toing and froing around the centre line, Harleston B took possession but the ball was played out of bounds. Another good shot from Connor to Angus was intercepted by the opposition who took the ball into the 'D' and scored an early goal. Despite the best efforts of the Dragons C defence and goalkeeper, this was swiftly followed by a second. Connor and Duncan pushed the ball forward, and the team made some good attempts to get the ball through the Harleston B defence. The opposition then took the ball back into the 'D' where a concerted Dragons C defence caused the shot to go wide. Harleston C then took a short corner, and despite some great goalkeeping by Barney, the ball made its way into the goal. Duncan pushed forward again to Adam in the 'D', but their attack was thwarted by the opposition who again put pressure on the Dragons' goal. Taking the ball back into play, Tom made a long pass to Sam who pushed forward decisively. He was supported by great play from Adam and Patrick. After a great pass by Sam, Duncan then made a push for goal, but Harleston C took possession and play was soon back in the 'D' where Harry showed some good, solid defensive stick work. Tom then took it back up the left of the field, passing to Adam who was in the 'D', but unable to make a strike at goal. The opposition made another shot at goal which resulted in a short corner and goal. Barney stayed calm during a sustained attack at goal with great support from Harry near the goal mouth. Despite their best efforts, and some great team spirit, the game ended 4-0 to Harleston B.

The boys had a great tournament, showing some really strong teamwork. Thanks to coach, Sean for all his efforts and support.

# **Dragons A U12 Boys**

Manager Owain

Ben Panter
Isaac Diver-Hall
James Cross
Jonny Taylor
William Bowman
Arjuna Puvanachandra Capt
Bobby Sheppard
Casper Lind
Oliver Moore
Alex Wolfe gk

Dragons won the tournament comfortably, winning all their matches.

Game 1 - Dragons A 1-0 Dragons B

Once again Dragons got off to a slow start, but this time they didn't go behind. The new B

team goalie, Charlie, made a brilliant triple save but Dragons A finally broke the deadlock when Caspar drove forwards and passed to Jonny who did a one two with Isaac and then scored a well worked goal. Unfortunately later on, Jonny got an undercut to the thumb and had to go to hospital.

## Game 2 - Dragons A 2-1 Norwich City A

For the third game running, Dragons went behind by a goal against City, but came back quickly with Will scoring a great goal with an assist from Arj. Soon Dragons were dominating, and James hit a great shot going top left, but the City Keeper made a great save. It was looking like a draw, but Isaac scored late on to keep the wining record.

# Game 3 - Dragons A 1-0 Magpies A

At the beginning Magpies had a succession of short corners, but Dragons held on. There was some great defending from Ollie particularly. However, Dragons started attacking more, and Isaac shot just narrowly wide. Then, Isaac assisted Will who scored another goal.

#### Game 4 - Dragons A 3-0 Dragons B

Dragons A started this well with a reverse sweep goal from Bobby. A bit later there was confusion in the D and a miss kick from the keeper meant that Will, who was quickest to the ball, could push it in. Bobby and Will linked up well during this game and Bobby doubled his goals for the game by calmly slotting it in.

#### Game 5 - Dragons A 2-0 Norwich City

Bobby got a well deserved goal at the beginning of the match by harassing the City defenders and then finished it in style as he nutmegged the keeper. James won the ball back and did a great aerial into the D which made the keeper come rushing out to clear, but once again Dragons were first to the ball, this time Isaac who slotted the ball over many sticks into the bottom corner.

# Game 6 - Dragons A 3-0 Magpies A

Alex made three great and important saves early on which helped Dragons stay in the game, but then we were all over them with Will scoring his fourth of the tournament and Isaac scoring two more to let Dragons cruise to victory.

Overall Dragons scored 12 goals, Will scored four along with Isaac, Bobby close on three and Jonny scored one aswell. Well done to all who played. And hopefully Jonny makes a speedy recovery.

Arjuna



<u>U12 boys B Squad</u> Manager – Tracy Stuart Shepherd

Tommy Chambers (capt)
Jacobs Reynolds
Tom Jackson
Charlie Cook (GK)
Alex Brooks
Bertie Pinching
Sam Archer
Theo Korn

Today I was delighted to captain the Dragons B team in our home tournament. Because of the teams entered we played in the A Tournament which was always going to be tough challenge with some excellent teams representing their clubs.

Our group was made up of Norwich City HC, Magpies and Dragons A. We played each team twice. It was freezing cold but the cakes were brillaint!

Match 1 v Dragons A - 0-1

This was always going to be a real test to start with so we knew we'd have to work extremely hard which i feel we did, not just in this game but all afternoon. We made life very difficult for the A team, and defended excellently. Charlie Cook, starting in goal for the first time was inspired saving repeatedly as we struggled to clear our lines. We did create chances of or own but weren't clinical when we needed to be. we were eventually undone by a well worked move to make it 1-0 to The As and were then unable to trouble the A's Keeper. The fact we were so dissapointed at the final whistle showed how well we'd played against an excellent side.

#### Match 2 v Magpies A - 0-1

We had a quick turaround to play a strong Magpies side and again worked extreemly hard to limit them to half chances. Charlie once again was excellent, pulling off more than one incredible save. Alex was strong and composed at the back (he was all afternoon) and Jake carried the ball forward well to lift the presure. The Magpies front line eventually got their rewards with a well struck shot to take a 1-0 lead. Once again we showed courage to push the Magpies back and forced a short corner late in the game but were unable to take advantage.

### Match 3 v Norwich City A - 0-0

Despite the disspointment of the first two defeats we went into third match v Norwich with belief that we could still get a win. This game was very well, matched with chances for both teams. Charlie again excellent Bertie, carring the ball forward well on the right and Tom J showing real determination and brillaint stickwork. The game could have gone either way and I missed a chance to win it late on after diving onto the box but then my shot was saved (sorry guys!). Whilst dissapointed we didnt win we were pleased to get our first point.

#### Match 4 v Dragons A 0-3

This match was more one sided than the first match as we didn't close down the spaces as well as we did before and Crossy's arrival gave them some fresh legs and additional attacking options. Having conceded 2 early goals we did press hard for a period but again were unable to convert this into goals. The game was more and more stretched and we left a lot of space at the back which was eventually exploited with the As scoring a third. The final score being 3-0.

#### Match 5 v Magpies A 1-1

This match started slowly with the strong Magpies forward line being well marshalled by our defence. We started to win the midfeild battles and I picked out an excellent run from the hardworking Sam who finished clinically to give us the our first goal and the lead. As expected Magpies piled forward but our lead held firm thanks to some good defensive work from the team as a whole and once again brilliant keeping from Charlie. Eventually their equaliser came with a drilled finish to leave us with some work to do. Charlie pulled off an excellent save in the last move of the game but injured himself in the process. The draw was down to excellent work from all. It was freezing and we'd played a lot of hockey but we were all still working hard for each other and were starting to get some rewards.

#### Match 6 v Norwich City A 0-0

Due to the injury Charlie picked up v Magpies he had to sit out the last game and Theo showed real team spirit to put on the pads. He'd worked tirelessly for the team all afternoon and this was really appreciated by me and the team. we knew that a draw in this game would mean we fishished above our opponents and we set out to scrap out a result. Once again we worked hard all match and limited the oppositions chances whilst creating some of our own. Jake hit the byeline a few times and we gave their defence plently to think about. The final whistle brought to an end a great set of performaces.

# Summary

Everyone was a real credit to dragons today. Our workrate was excellent, we defended and battled and did create chances. the one thing we failed to do was work the keepers and be clinical in the opposition D. However overall I was thought we did well in a tough group.

Thanks to Tracy for being our manager, to Nat and all the helpers and a special thanks to the cake bakers, you kept us going!!



