

Senior Soccer girl's unlucky 1-0 defeat against Sacred Heart Tullamore

On Tuesday, December 10th, the senior girls' soccer team played Sacred Heart Secondary School from Tullamore in the quarterfinal of the Leinster Schools Cup. The match kicked off at 1 pm at Newbridge Town FC.



Holy Family started the game strong, with two close misses in the first few minutes. The girls remained determined, maintaining possession of the ball for the majority of the first half. Two corners from No. 11, Tara, resulted in unlucky misses. No. 1, Betty, made two great saves, and the first half ended with no goals from either team.

After a halftime talk from Mr. Mulvey and Mr. Beggy, the girls returned to the field to start the second half. No. 13, Malvina, replaced No. 7, Shauna. Holy Family began the second half strong, with some great goal opportunities, but they were unfortunately defended by Sacred Heart. No. 15, Sadie, came on for No. 9, Ella. Sacred Heart came very close to scoring but were blocked by Betty once again. A brilliant shot from Tara narrowly missed the goal. An unfortunate injury to Sadie led to No. 14, Sadhbh, being substituted in.

With around 15 minutes left in the game, an unlucky turnover resulted in the first goal of the match for Sacred Heart. Holy Family remained resilient in the final minutes, and a shot from No. 4, Laura, narrowly missed the goal. The referee's whistle blew, and the final score was 1-0 in favor of Sacred Heart.

It was a brilliant effort from all the girls, who showed great determination, skill, and hard work until the final whistle.