

James: On the 21st April 2016, 3 Grove teams went to play hockey at Oaklands College. 2 teams of year 6's and 1 of year 5's. This is group 3's match report. We arrived at the college at 9:30 and Grove 3's first match started at 10. We had four games in our pool. We were pool 7. James was team captain.

Rose: First we were against Killigrew 3. The teams had four people playing on the pitch at once but there were 2 subs. Rose, Zach, James and Toby were up first. We started off great and we scored goals repetitively. Our defence was great saving the goals every time. After 10 minutes, the score ended up 5-0 to us. We then had a break for 35 minutes.

William: Our second game started at 10:45 and we were against Colney Heath. This time Lottie and William were up with Toby and James. Colney Heath were good but they used their feet a lot though and that is not allowed in Hockey or Quicksticks. It was a hard game and the score was 2 all. Our next game was straight after.

Lottie: Next we played Breachwood Green. We had great attackers scoring lots of goals. Breachwood Green were trying their best but they could not keep up with us. We were having a good match. Our defence was amazing saving the goals the opposing team were trying to score. Our score turned out 8-0 to us. We had a break for half an hour.

Zach: After a drink and a snack, we were up again. We were against How Wood. This game meant a lot to us. If we won this, we would get into the Last 16 where 16 teams are playing against another and whoever loses, is out of the competition. The first bit of the game wasn't easy. How Wood scored a goal and our defence just missed it. We were annoyed but we kept on trying. We scored a goal then it was 1 all. We needed one more goal to get through.

James: We were doing our best but How Wood scored again! It was tight but luckily we got back on track. We scored 3 more goals and then it was over. We were ecstatic! 4-2. That was the end of the pool. We had lunch and then practised our skills. We then got called over for the results. Dan, the manager, called out who were through to the Last 16.

Rose: When they called out our name we were so excited! Group 1 got through too. Unfortunately, group 2 didn't get through. We were against Killigrew 2 this time so they were year 6's. They game started off good but Killigrew were great. The game went on with people scoring goals but they were not in the right zone to go in. 10 minutes was over- the score 0-0- so we did first one to score a goal wins. The game went on...

Toby: If we won this match we would go through to the quarter finals. It was very tense. Killigrew hit the ball off so Toby took the corner he was in the area to shoot, so he self passed the ball, it hit the posts... It went in! We were so happy but then the referee didn't think it went in so went to talk to Dan. He came and said it didn't go in, we were so annoyed. We carried on playing and unfortunately, Killigrew scored a goal we were out.

Lottie: Grove 1 beat Crabtree so they were through to the quarter finals. We then went altogether again and Dan said the groups that were through to the quarter finals. We went to watch Grove 1 play in the quarters finals, they won their match!

William: Through to the semi finals. Killigrew were out so we decided to play a friendly match against them and we beat them. They semis were over. Dan read out the scores. Grove were through! They got into the finals! They were against Garden fields.

Zach: We would like to thank Mrs Hutson and Mr Berry for supporting us during the event and Mrs Wilding for teaching us hockey in PE.