

Andover FC's School of the Week.....Portway Junior School



Following on from the success of their recent "School of the Week" launch at Anton Junior School which culminated in a bumper crowd at the weekend home fixture, players and coaches from Andover FC and the Lions in the Community programme have spent the past week delivering football fun into Portway Junior School. A whole school assembly introducing the children to the club and its initiative was followed by a three day feast of footballing fun in which all 350 plus pupils played a part.

The freezing weather conditions did little to deter the enthusiasm of the pupils as each class enjoyed pitting their penalty taking skills against Andover FC players Kyle Swayne and Alex Campbell and Lions in the Community coaches Tom Bird, Dean Stow and Danny Sullivan. The ultimate boy and girl winners from each class were presented with special certificates during the end of week "Achievement Assembly" and have been invited to take part in an exciting half time penalty shoot out on the pitch at the



Portway Stadium on Saturday 24th January, where they will be attempting to score past one of the Andover FC Keepers. Other pupils were picked as "Football Stars" for their application, ability and effort during the hour long sessions, with their reward being to assist Head Teacher and regular Lions supporter Tim Deery with the important task of selecting the Local sponsored Man of the Match award at the very same game.

All Portway Junior School families have been issued with free family tickets for the "School of the Week" fixture and the Board, Management and players at the club look forward to welcoming all the children and their families to the Portway Stadium on Saturday 24th January to cheer on their local team.

Cathy Devereux, Director of Lions in the Community was full of praise for the warm welcome she and the team received. "It is always a delight to work with both the staff and pupils at the school, all of whom always make our visits to the school so enjoyable and rewarding" she said.

