



the powerful game

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Sports News Release

Finals set for 2009/2010 CUC PFL Playoffs

With Jack Frost pummeling our northern neighbours with snow and rain, we were grateful for the morning showers and dark clouds, which blanketed the George Town area this past Saturday morning. The cooling rains and overcast skies were welcomed by the four teams scheduled to play the opening semi final games of the 2009/2010 CUC Primary Football League (PFL) Playoffs.

Playing for a place in the finals of the Under-9 Consolation Cup, Truth For Youth met Montessori by the Sea and Cayman International School faced Savannah Primary. Much like the first encounter between these two schools last week, Truth For Youth again were too much for the inexperienced Montessori team as they posted a resounding 4-0 victory.

In the second semi final, Cayman international School initially found Savannah Primary tough to breakdown but eventually found the net to secure a 2-0 win and a place in the finals against Truth For Youth.

In the Under-9 Champions Cup semi finals, St. Ignatius Prep faced Red Bay Primary and Prospect Primary was up against John A. Cumber Primary. In theory, both matchups presented some interesting challenges. The first encounter between St. Ignatius Prep and Red Bay Primary stayed true to the script as St. Ignatius Prep needed a goal in overtime to settle this exciting game and claim a spot in the finals following a 2-1 win. The second semi final saw Prospect Primary manhandle a fairly young John A. Cumber Primary team who, on the day, were no match for their opponents as evidenced by the 4-0 score line in favour of Prospect Primary.

In the semi finals of the U-11 Consolation Cup, Truth For Youth came fully equipped with their shooting boots as they cruised to an 11-0 blasting of North Side Primary. Not to be outdone, George Town Primary joined Truth For Youth in the final with a 3-1 victory over Savannah Primary.

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The highlight of the day's activities was the two Under-11 Champions Cup semi finals, which matched John A. Cumber Primary with Triple C and Prospect Primary against St. Ignatius Prep.

Up first, John A. Cumber Primary sought revenge against a Triple C team who had defeated the boys from West Bay in an earlier Playoff encounter, blemishing their undefeated record. With a berth in the finals on the line, both teams seemed somewhat tentative as neither team wanted to make that one mistake which could cost them a goal, the game and elimination. With the game tied at 0-0 and heading for overtime, John A. Cumber Primary squeezed in the game's winner just before the fulltime whistle and cemented their place in the finals and a date with either Prospect Primary or St. Ignatius Prep.

Not to be outdone, the second semi final was simply put - a classic. In yet another rematch from an earlier Playoff encounter, which saw Prospect Primary upset St. Ignatius Prep, this game had everything from goals to saves to near misses to hard tackles to plain bad luck. With the schools locked at two-a-piece in overtime and heading for penalties, a deflection off a Prospect Primary defender sealed the victory for St. Ignatius Prep 3-2.

With the semi finals now history, all attention will be focused on this coming Saturday, February 6 and the finals of the 2009/2010 CUC Primary Football League. Matchups include Truth For Youth versus Cayman International School in the Under-9 Consolation Cup and St. Ignatius Prep against Prospect Primary in the Under-9 Champions Cup. Third place in the Under-9 Champions Cup sees Red Bay Primary face John A. Cumber Primary. In the Under-11 Consolation Cup, Truth For Youth appear in their second final of the day as they face George Town Primary and in the Under-11 Champions Cup, John A. Cumber try to get back onto the winner's podium as they face St. Ignatius Prep. In the Under-11 Champions Cup Third Place encounter, Triple C face Prospect Primary

With the finals of the 2009/2010 CUC Primary Football League set to begin at 9:00 am, supporters of "the powerful game" are encouraged to come out to the Annex Field and cheer on these talented youngsters.

We hope to see you there for this sporting spectacle.

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